

St. Augustine School

Faith + Family + Future

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER MAY 2010

The Saint for the month is St. Angela Merici.
The Value for the month is Courtesy (manners).

In the Year of the Priest, this month, we honor St. Padre Pio.
The Value for the month is Long Suffering.

May is the month Of Mary.

Honor Roll - Congratulations to the following 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who made the Honor Roll for the 3rd Quarter.

5th Grade

Principal's List

Gabriella DePinho
Gabrielle Favre

First Honors

Christine Jacob

Second Honors

Maggie Mahoney
Kelsey Negron
Arianne Rowe

6th Grade

Principal's List

First Honors

Isabella Bono
Zachary Miraz
Aleksander Piatek

Second Honors

Erich Christerer
Stefan DelaRiva
Nicholas Fiore
Matthew Hawker

7th Grade

Principal's List

Anthony DePinho
Griffin Favre

First Honors

Kushal Dave

Second Honors

Gianna Pisano
Gabriella Valdez

8th Grade

Principal's List

Danielle Pavon

First Honors

Alessandra Garcia

Second honors

William Callahan

Meghan Pierce
Emily Walter

Cassandra Charles
Alexa Crudele
Hannah Dari
Victoria Forlini

The Honors Breakfast was held on Monday, April 19th. Thanks to the Home School Association, especially Mrs. Pisano, for serving the breakfast.

Mandatory 7th Grade Parents Meeting - 7th grade parents must attend a mandatory preparation for 8th grade meeting on Wednesday, May 12th at 7:00 pm in the 7th grade classroom. Items for agenda are: preparation for COOP Exam, summer assignments, prospective high school choices, graduation trip, and date for graduation. It is imperative that each child have at least one parent attend the meeting. Thank you.

Summer Uniforms - Summer Uniforms can to be worn beginning **May 1st**. The girls in Grades 5-8 can wear skorts as part of the summer uniform. They are not to be worn so short that they look like shorts. If it is deemed that the length is inappropriate, you will be called and asked to bring in your daughter's skirt.

7th Grade News -

The 7th grade participated in the Second Annual Albertus Magnus Academic Jeopardy on Wednesday, March 10th. We are proud to announce that our team, Kushal Dave, Anthony DePinho, and Griffin Favre, placed 2nd in the competition. Congratulations!

On Thursday, April 29th, Kushal Dave, Anthony DePinho, Griffin Favre, and Gianna Pisano attended The Paramus Catholic High School Leadership Conference specifically designed for 7th grade students to bring their new leadership experiences back to SAS to enhance our school community. Thank you for representing SAS!

Honors Band - We are thrilled to announce that we had eight students who were selected to participate in the 2010 Lower Hudson Valley Catholic School Honor Band Concert that was held on Sunday, March 31st at Kennedy Catholic High School in Somers, New York. These students represent the "best of the best" musicians in our schools. ***Congratulations*** to our members Anthony DePinho, Gabriella DePinho, Gabrielle Favre, Nicholas Fiore, Roberto Galindo, Zachary Miraz, Juliann Negrón, and Aleksander Piatek!

Student Council News -

Box tops collection was a huge success! Student Council expects to receive about \$700.00 from all the Box Tops that were sent in. Please remember and keep saving them. Thank you for your support!

Our Student Council members made seventy Happy Easter/Happy Spring cards for the senior citizens living at Sunrise Assisted Living.

On Monday, April 19th, Blythedale Children's Hospital of Valhalla, NY, presented an "Injury Prevention Program" to grades Kindergarten through 8th. The children learned importance of wearing the proper safety equipment when riding their bikes, skate boarding, skiing, and snow boarding. It was an extremely informative assembly for the students and faculty.

On Wednesday, April 21st, grades Kindergarten through 8th thoroughly enjoyed a *Mad Science* assembly on the topic of Air. The presenter made science come alive!

There are still limited openings in our Pre-K programs as well as in Grades Kindergarten - 8th. Spread the word to your neighbors and friends. Remember, our parents and students are our best ambassadors. We need to spread our Good News for all to hear. Spread the news also about our Full Day Pre-K Program. There are still openings.

From the Nurse's Desk -

- Reminder to all 5th grade parents/guardians: Tdap vaccination is now required for all children entering 6th grade. Varicella vaccination is required for any child born after January 1, 1994. Documented proof of disease from health record is also acceptable.
- Physical Exams are required for all children entering grades K, 2, 4, and 7. Dental exams are also mandated now.
- BMI (body mass index) is now also required. It should be done at the time of the physical exam and recorded by the physician. Please remind your health care provider.

Any questions, please call Mrs. O'Rourke at 634-7575.

Upcoming Events -

- **May Crowning and Communion Breakfast - Wednesday, May 12th** at the 9:00 am Liturgy and Crowning, followed by a light Breakfast in the

- Church basement for the 2nd Grade class and their guests. The 3rd Grade parents host the Breakfast.
- **Memorial Day Parade** - Monday, May 31st. Show your school spirit and join the parade down Main Street to the Courthouse grounds. Information will follow.
 - **Spring Concert** - On Wednesday, May 26th, our Spring Band Concert will occur at 7:30 pm. Fifty nine students in grades 3 through 8 will perform. All are welcome!
 - **Mother-Son Golf Outing** - Thursday, May 27th, 5:30-8:00 pm. More information to follow.
 - **Golf Outing** - The St. Augustine Church 12th Annual Golf Outing will occur on Monday, June 7th at the New York Country Club in New Hempstead. Information will follow. Do we have any golfers who might like to play?

Box Tops - Please remember to send in all your General Mills Box Tops. Our Student Council is collecting them.

Campbell Soup Labels For Education - Save your Campbell Soup labels and other Campbell product labels. Just look for the emblem that states Campbell Soup labels for Education. Thank you for your support.

Coupons - Sister Diane would greatly appreciate receiving all the manufacturer's coupons that you do not use. Please do not cut them out. Thank you.

During this month of May we focus on Our Blessed Mother, the patroness of the United States. In Mary we can see the values of our faith.

We pray that, like Mary we can say "yes" to God's will.

In Mary we see patience, kindness, understanding and love. We pray that, we too, may possess these virtues.

As a Catholic school, we look to impart these values in the lives of the children. With the cooperation and support of our families and parish, we seek to instill virtues that are a reflection of our faith.

May the Blessed Mother watch over us and protect us. May she intercede with her Son, Jesus, on our behalf. May she ask God's blessings for our children and our families.

St. Monica pray for us.

St. Augustine pray for us.

