



Shamrock Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates

Sep. 22: 5th Grade Parent Lunch

Sep. 22: Soccer Practice

Sep. 23: Early Dismissal Day

Sep. 28: SAT Testing Begins

Stanford Achievement Test (SAT)

The week of September 28th, students in second through sixth grades will be administered the Stanford Achievement Test. It is **EXTREMELY IMPORTANT** that your child **BE PRESENT AND ON TIME** each day that week. Make every effort to schedule doctor or dental appointments, or any other appointment **before** or **after** this week of testing. **Thank you for your cooperation.**

SAT Hints:

- (1) Get plenty of rest during this week.
- (2) Eat a good breakfast each day.
- (3) Come to school on time.

*****Bring two #2 pencils each day during SAT week**

Early Dismissal Days

Wednesday, September 23rd is an Early Dismissal Day. School will **dismiss at 1:30 p.m.** Students not picked up by 1:45 p.m. will be sent to After Hours Care.

School Store Grand Opening

The **School Store** has been re-stocked and is open for business with **all new items** for the 2009-2010 school year. Stop by and see what we have in store!

5th Grade Parents

Fifth grade Parent Lunch Day will be held tomorrow, **Tuesday, September 22nd at 12:30 p.m.** Please note a change in the menu for this day. *Chicken nuggets will not be served.*

Homework Club for After Hours

Mrs. Angie Partridge is in the process of organizing a Homework Club for students in After Hours. She is looking for volunteers who would be able to stay approximately 45 minutes, one day per month, from 3:00 p.m. until 3:45 p.m. The actual number of days scheduled would depend upon the number of volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Partridge at (601) 934-5591.

Sports News: Note Possible Change

There is an interest in *possibly* changing the soccer practice day from Tuesday to Monday. If your child is currently signed up for soccer with Coach Joan Albert, please contact the office if changing practice to Monday would interfere with your child playing.

The soccer practices for September will be held on **Tuesday, the 22nd and 29th from 2:45 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. as previously scheduled.** **Parents will be contacted regarding the soccer schedule for future practices in the next newsletter.** Players need to bring proper attire to practice: *black gym shorts, shin guards, soccer cleats or tennis shoes, and a t-shirt.* We will be ordering Fighting Irish t-shirts soon. If players have not yet turned in their order forms along with \$10.00, please do so by tomorrow. It's not too late to join if you are in the 3rd through 6th grades.

MORE IMPORTANT NEWS ON BACK

Choir News

The St. Patrick School Choir is practicing each **Thursday** after school from **2:45 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.** Interested second through sixth graders are invited to join. Choir members will be dismissed in the circular drive at 4:00 p.m.

Cookie Dough and Cinnamon Rolls Fund Raiser

The final report on the cookie dough and cinnamon rolls fund raiser will be available next week.

SCRIP News

Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here before you know it! Let us help you with your travel, gift giving, and grocery needs by ordering SCRIP cards through St. Patrick School. The program is easy! You purchase **SCRIP cards** for the amount you need, and the school gets a percentage of the amount in return. You lose nothing! Plan ahead and space out your purchases over the next three months so that you are not overwhelmed when the holidays arrive. Order forms are available in the school office. Consider hotels, restaurants, gas stations, grocery and department stores when formulating your order list. Help yourself and help the school with this **one stop shopping program!!**

Drop Off and Dismissal

Drop Off: If you walk with your child into the school in the mornings, please **do not park** anywhere on Davis Street at any point before the orange cones. This helps with traffic safety. *Please remind anyone else who might bring your child to school about this policy.*

Dismissal: If you choose to park in the church parking lot and walk across Davis Street to pick up your child in the afternoon, please wait until all of the students in the class are seated in the circular drive. **Be sure the teacher is aware** that you are there to pick up your child before leaving with your child.

If you choose to stay in the pick up line, please **remain in your vehicle**, and one of the teachers will place your child in the back seat of your vehicle at one of the two entrances of the circular drive.

Volunteers Needed

Here are some ways that you can earn your volunteer hours throughout this school year: (1) Homeroom Parent Helpers. (2) Advisory Council Committees such as Technology, Building and Grounds, Publicity, and Development. (3) School Committees such as Irish Fest, Fall Fest / Spaghetti Dinner, Book Fair, and more. (4) Weeding the garden at the front entrance to the school. (5) Stuffing green folders on Monday mornings. ***Thank you to those of you who have already contacted the school.***

Easy Fund Raising

Please remember to turn in Campbell's Soup Labels, Box Tops for Education, and My Coke Rewards codes to help our school earn FREE points towards equipment, or to actually receive FREE cash refunds. We also collect used printer cartridges and used cell phones. Your support of these fund raisers is appreciated – just ***save labels from items you already purchase.***

EXTRA, EXTRA!! From September 9th through September 29th, Winn Dixie is offering **100 additional Bonus Points** to customers who purchase five (5) Campbell's items in a single shopping trip. We ask that you please turn in the certificates you receive to the school office for the school to receive these extra credit points. Thank you.



In accordance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, there will be no discrimination on the grounds of race, creed, color, national origin, or handicapping condition in regards to student enrollment or staff employment.