

Ascension School Family Newsletter

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"For God gives those who please Him wisdom, knowledge, and joy."

Ecclesiastes 2:26

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Tuition Agreements

Our apologies for not getting the instructions for the online FACTS's agreement into the envelope last week. This week for families who have indicated a change or are new to FACTS the instructions are enclosed and families must go online to enter the information. We have noticed that many of our families have changed their method of tuition payments for next school year. If you used FACTS last year and have changed from Auto Pay to Invoice or vice-versa you must go online to FACTS and submit your new plan. This is also the case if you paid in full last year and are now intending to make payments through FACTS or if you are changing the number of payments. The submission online by the responsible party (in most cases you the parents) is a contract you make with FACTS therefore needs to be reentered in order to be updated with any change(s).

We ask that this be done as soon as possible. The school office staff makes all the changes regarding the payment amounts including any assistance awards which come later.

PTO Officer & Amendment Ballot

A ballot is enclosed for All PTO members to register their vote of confidence for executive committee officers and also note your approval or disapproval of an amendment that creates a new representative to the PTO to advocate for Title I families.

School and Religious Education Committee

The School and Religious Education Committee or SCHREC as it is known is the consultative group in the parish that assists the Principal and Pastor in education matters of the School and Religious Education Programs. **Nicole Braun** was chosen as a new representative at the May meeting – minutes enclosed.

Reminder from the Nurse:

All medications need to be picked up from the office by 3:30pm Weds, June 2, 2010. Remember the medications have to be picked up by a parent/adult. They cannot be sent home with the student. If you need to make special arrangements please contact me. The medications that are not picked up will be discarded appropriately.

Gr. 6 Parents Please Read!

Just a reminder that immunization requirements have changed for the 2010-2011 school year for incoming 7th graders. All incoming 7th grade students are required to have had a Td/Tdap within the last 5 years. If the student has not had this immunization they are required to receive it prior to the first day of school. If they do not receive this immunization they will be excluded from school.

Enclosed in the Friday envelope for 6th grade students is the information regarding this and other immunizations, a immunization record, and dates for the Public Health Department of Montgomery County's immunization clinics. Please note they have adolescent only clinics scheduled specifically for this new State requirement. If you have any questions please call me.

Religious Articles Blessing

We will have a blessing of the religious articles that children have received for 1st Communion and Confirmation during the May 28 liturgy. If any other children in school have received religious items for birthdays, Christmas etc. they may bring them that day to be blessed.

State Science Fair

Ascension School was represented at the State Science Day on May 8. **Kristen Wehner**, Gr. 7 received a Superior rating. One of our former students, **Sarah Eichner**, was a judge at the State Science Fair. She is a recent graduate from Denison University majoring in Biology with a minor in chemistry.

JOI (Junior Optimist Octagon International)

Two of our Ascension students **Morgan Nash** and **Anthony Cogliano** have been selected and invited to attend the International Junior Optimist Convention to be held in Denver Colorado July 5-7. This is quite an honor and we congratulate these students on their school leadership.

Fr. Stretch Relays

We had a beautiful day on Thursday for the Fr. Stretch Relays. The event was well organized as usual, and we have **Carol Wallace & Molly Depoorter** along with their husbands to thank for their coordination of the activities. This was Molly's last Fr. Stretch Relays – we thank her for her many years on the team and look forward to someone to become Carole's co-coordinator apprentice over the next two years.



Thanks also to all the parents who contributed to the set-up and success of the day. Congratulations to the winning **GreyTeam** and all the students who participated. Captains for this year's event were **Jacob Ollier & Morgan Nash** for the Grey Team and **Ashley Depoorter & Nick Clarkson** for the Scarlet Team.

Attention: Power of the Pen Writers

All seventh and eighth grade students who participated in Power of the Pen this school year not only those who went to tournaments - are invited to attend our year-ending pizza party and awards ceremony on Tues, May 25, after school in the cafeteria until 4 pm. The PTO pays for the pizza each year. Parents may send in two-liter bottles of soft drinks, snacks, or desserts to complement the pizza. Any questions: Alexis McLaughlin: 299-2093/ alexismcla@aol.com

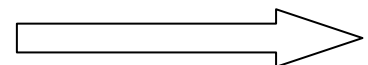
Family Mentoring

It's time once again to recruit mentor families. Being a mentor is easy--often requiring no more than a welcoming note or a phone call--and can make a world of difference to a new family. Please consider returning the enclosed form to be matched up with a new family for the 2010/11 school year. Mentor families will be invited to join us for a pizza party to kick off the new school year. Many thanks to those who welcomed new families through our Mentor Program this year: the **Cogliano, Cormier, Gazzerro, Gross, Manning, Midlam, Minardi, Nadeau, Schlegel, Sobieski, Trimbach, Westgerdes,** and **White** families.

Family Night at the Dragons

The Ascension PTO is joining St. Helen's PTO in sponsoring a Family Night at the Dayton Dragons for a game on Fri. June 4 to celebrate another successful school year. More details about how to purchase tickets will be in next Friday's envelope.

Over please....



Partnerships 4 Success

Partnerships 4 Success is an organization of Dayton area business persons, Catholic educators, and religious promoting the value of Catholic grade schools and high schools in the Dayton area. Their primary focus is to address the affordability issue, which is the greatest impediment for some Catholic families wanting to send their children to Catholic schools, by identifying the part-time job needs in the business community and the Catholic families willing to work part-time to earn additional income for payment of the tuition.

You may call **George Molinsky 937-231-0468** to get information regarding part-time work or how to share your business needs for part-time workers.

Kids Self Defense

11th Annual r.a.d. KIDS (Resisting Aggression Defensively) program will be offered by Kettering Police and Dor-Wood Optimists. This program is for personal empowering, awareness and safety education for children 7-9 yrs. old June 14-18 and 10-12 year olds June 21-25. The Co-Ed classes are offered from 10:30am to 12:30pm. The cost is \$25 per child and held at Southdale Elementary School. To register call Judy Kohl at 296-3266.

The Family Network Mega Mom's Sale

On Sat, June 12 from 9am-1pm at St. Albert the Great Church gently used children's clothes, bedding, maternity items, equipment, toys, games, and children's books will be sold so mark your calendars this is a really great sale to go to!

University of Dayton Football Camps

Youth Camp July 13 -15

Grades (1-4) 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

(5-8) 1:00PM – 4:00PM

(937)-229-4588

High School Camp

Grades 9-12

9:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Contact University of Dayton Football

(937)-229-4588

Calendar Update

May	25	TU	Faculty Mtg, Rm202, 2:45-4pm
	26	W	IAT Mtg, Rm106, 3-4pm Parish Council, WC114, 7:30-9pm
	28	F	Mass, 9am
	31	M	Memorial Day, No School
June	1	TU	Gr. 8 Out of Uniform for Good Behavior Gr. 8 Photograph, WC 118, 6:30pm Gr. 8 Commencement, 7pm, Commencement Reception, WC114, 118, 8-9pm
	2	W	Last Day of School Staff Mtg, Principal, POB4, 10am-12pm Gr. 4-7 Out of Uniform for Good Behavior Mass, 1:15 pm
	3	TH	School & RE Comm. Mtg, POB1, 7-9pm Teacher Work Day
	4	F	Family Night at the Dragons

Enclosures

Gr. 8 Video Permission
PTO Officer & Amendment Ballot
Mentor Family Materials
Gr. 6 Immunization Letter
FACTS Instructions (Families electing to use FACTS)
Metro FC flyer
Crestwood Swim Club

Return Date

Mon. May 24
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See details
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Quotation

*The important thing is not so much that every child be taught,
as that every child should be given the wish to learn.*

Sir John Lubbock