

**St. John School Weekly News for Parents & Students**  
**March 6, 2008**

Dear Parents,

I had the opportunity to attend a workshop on school safety last week with Fenton Public Schools administrators and personnel from the Fenton Police and Fenton Fire departments. The presenter, Tom Mysnberge, is a retired Michigan State Police officer who has done much research and many presentations on school safety in the last five years.

As a result of this workshop, we are taking additional steps to improve the safety of our students and staff at St. John School. We have ordered window coverings for classroom windows that have clear glass and will install an intercom lock system on our front entrance. We will improve our lockdown process in several ways: identifying the type of situation for staff through recommended codes and signals, practicing a lockdown during lunch-recess time when the weather warms up, and improving the emergency information we supply to police or fire officials if they are called to St. John School.

Watch for details regarding these changes in the next few months. *Sincerely, Mike Kehoe*

**Character Trait of the Month: Friendship**

**Jesus said, "I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father, I have made known to you."** - John 15:15

**CALENDAR:**

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| Thurs. | 3 - 6 | <b>MARKET DAY ORDER FORMS OUT</b> (Due – Mar. 17; Online - Mar. 20; Sale – Mar. 26)<br><b>1:30 – 4 p.m. &amp; 6 – 8 p.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences</b>  |
| Fri.   | 7     | <b>NO SCHOOL!</b><br><b>8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences</b>   |
| Sat.   | 8     | 9 – 10:30 a.m. Altar Server Training – Church (attend if you haven't attended previous training sessions)  |
| Sun.   | 9     | Happy Birthday, Mrs. Cislo! (Gr. 7)<br>Gr. 2 Hosts Coffee & Donuts after 8 and 10 a.m. Masses – Grand Hall   |
| Mon.   | 10    | Lunch Tickets sold<br><b>SCRIP</b> orders to office by 9 a.m.<br><b>K-Screening for 2008-09 K Students</b> (by appointment)<br><b>"Magazine/Catalog Tower" Recycling Contest begins – Ends on March 14th</b> |
| Tues.  | 11    | <b>Communal Penance in Church</b> – (10 a.m. for Gr. 3,4,5) and (11:15 a.m. for Gr. 6,7,8)<br><b>RFP Registration - Cafetorium</b>   |
| Wed.   | 12    | Moola-Moola Savings Club<br><b>RFP Registration - Cafetorium</b>   |
| Thurs. | 13    | <b>6:30 – 8 p.m. St. John School Open House</b><br><b>2008-09 Registration Forms distributed to Families (Due Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>)</b>  |
| Fri.   | 14    | <b>SPIRIT DAY and TEAM SHIRT DAY for DSA</b><br><b>Final Day!! "Magazine/Catalog Tower" Recycling Contest ends</b><br>2:15 p.m. Gr. 1-3 Stations of the Cross in Church                                      |
| Sun.   | 16    | <b>Palm Sunday - Holy Week begins</b>  |
| Mon.   | 17    | Happy St. Patrick's Day!<br>Lunch Tickets sold<br><b>SCRIP</b> orders to office by 9 a.m.<br><b>MARKET DAY ORDER FORMS DUE</b> (Online – Mar. 20; Sale – Mar. 26)  |
| Tues.  | 18    | 10 a.m. Gr. 1-8 Mass in Church – Parents Welcome   |
| Wed.   | 19    | Moola-Moola Savings Club<br>Genesee County Health Dept. here for Vision Screening & Hearing rescreening  |
| Thurs. | 20    | <b>Holy Thursday</b><br><b>2008-09 Registration Forms due in school office</b><br><b>DSA Read-In for all classes</b><br><b>MARKET DAY ONLINE DUE</b> (Sale – Mar. 26)  |
| Fri.   | 21    | <b>Good Friday – NO SCHOOL</b>   |

**Calendar continued:**

Sat.	22	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
Sun.	23	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>
Mon.	24	<b>Classes resume</b> (Spring Break begins at dismissal on: Friday, March 28 <sup>th</sup> thru Sunday, April 6 <sup>th</sup> ) Lunch Tickets sold <b>SCRIP</b> orders to office by 9 a.m.
Tues.	25	8:45 a.m. Prayer Service by Gr. 5 on "Friendship" - Cafetorium 10 a.m. Gr. 1-8 Mass in Church – Parents Welcome
Wed.	26	Moola-Moola Savings Club <b>3 – 4 p.m. MARKET DAY PICK-UP</b> – Founders Hall
Thurs.	27	DSA Day for K Classes – Movie Day
Fri.	28	<b>Spring Break begins at end of school day</b> <b>DSA - Teachers Choice!</b> (Gr. 1-3: Movie Day; Gr. 4-5: Western Wear; Gr. 6 & 7: Game Day; Gr. 8: Gym) 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. K & JK Trip to Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum
Wed. April 2		7 p.m. H.S.A. Executive Board Mtg. – Staff Lounge
Sun.	6	<b>RRP Registration</b> - Cafetorium
Mon.	7	Classes resume

**PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES:** *Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>*

Please note the following Gr. 1-8 Parent-Teacher conference days/times:

**Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup>:** 1:30 – 4 p.m. and 6 – 8 p.m.

**Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>:** 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Note: Mrs. Pat Coscia will be available at conferences on both Thursday and Friday. (Not here on Tues. & Wed.)

**CATALOG/MAGAZINE TOWER CONTEST!!** *Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> thru Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>*

Student council is sponsoring another recycling contest the week of March 10-14. This contest is to collect magazines and catalogs and will be stacked in the classrooms and measured in height to determine the winner. (Please continue to bring in newspapers as usual, however, they won't be part of this contest.) Thanks for your continued support in our recycling efforts.

**RECONCILIATION:** *Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> in the Church*

Students in grades 3-8 will have an opportunity for Lenten reconciliation on Tuesday, March 11.

## SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

*Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8 p.m.*

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, March 13 for our annual St. John School Spring Open House. This event runs from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and includes the Student Art Show and our Book Fair. This also kicks off registration for the 2008-2009 school year, and we will have materials ready for current school families that evening. We are also holding our Genesee County Catholic Schools (GCCS) Open House the same evening so prospective St. John School families can see what all the excitement is about. Families have been invited to visit that evening if they are interested in attending St. John School.

### BOOK FAIR

Our 2008 Scholastic Book Fair is once again scheduled at the School Open House. This has proved to be an exciting and successful event for all! We are adding a new tradition this year by making this event one of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraising events for their Washington, DC trip. Profits from this year's Book Fair will be allocated to help pay for the DC trip. So please come and get some good reading for your children during March is Reading Month and help our 8<sup>th</sup> graders on the way to their Washington, DC trip!

**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:** *Attention All Altar Servers! Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> in Church!*

If you have not yet attended an Altar Server Training will be held on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 9 – 10:30 a.m. in Church Servers must attend this session, if they have not attended the previous sessions.

**LENTEN WRIST BANDS FOR SALE:** **Sold in Cafetorium during Lunch Hours during Lent**

The St. John Student Council will be selling Lenten Wrist Bands for \$1 during Lent. The proceeds from this sale will go to the Parish Outreach Office. The bands are purple and have "WWJD" on them.

**DIOCESAN SERVICE APPEAL (D.S.A.):** The students at St. John School will have the opportunity to participate in several activities during "March is Reading Month" while raising funds for the DSA. We ask for a one time donation of \$5 per child or \$10 per family. The money should be given to the homeroom teachers. The first activity was Hat Day. The next activity is **Team Shirt Day** on Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. All donations are tax deductible.

**DENNIS UNIFORM NEWS!!** *March is Double Punch Month!!*

Every \$10 purchase is worth TWO (2) STAMPS on your Dennis Advantage Card – Shop at the Dennis Store during March and earn twice the savings. This offer is valid for in-store purchases only during March 2008. For internet specials, please visit the website: [www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com)  
The Dennis Store is located at 1532 N. Opdyke Road, Suite 450, Auburn Hills. Phone: (248) 340-8890

**WANTED! Old Typewriter!**

An old typewriter is needed as a prop for the sixth grade play which will be held in May. The typewriter will stay in the school and is needed now for one student to practice on. It will be returned after the play. Contact the school office.

**FENTON COMMUNITY EXPO! Kids Activities!! Sat., March 8 from 10 – 6 and Sun., March 9 from 11 to 4**

Flyers were distributed to students this week regarding "Kids Korner" at the Fenton Community Expo to be held at the Fenton High School. Admission is \$2. Activities for kids feature: Kids Prize Booth, Grand Prize Giveaways, Kawanis Child ID Program, and the Tri-County Times Expo Derby. Derby Race Times are Saturday from 10 to 6 and Sunday from 11 to 2. Questions on Derby, call 629-8282.

**KIDZ THEATRE KOMPANY PRESENTS "The Little Mermaid" on May 2, 3, 9, 10**

The children of Kidz Theatre Kompany will present "The Little Mermaid" at Linden High School auditorium located at 7201 W. Silver Lake Rd., Linden. Tickets for all ages are \$5. All show dates have a 7 p.m. performance and the Saturday dates will show an additional matinee at 2 p.m. For information, call 735-5313 or visit [www.kidztheatrekompany.org](http://www.kidztheatrekompany.org)

**SKI CLUB: THINK SNOW!! Ski Tickets sold on Tuesdays!**

-Weather Permitting!! Tickets will be sold on Tuesdays before and after school in the school Cafetorium. Ski Club will be skiing Tuesdays from 3 – 8:30 p.m. at Mt. Holly. All students must have a parent representative at Mt. Holly by 8:15 p.m. for pick-up. Ski Club ends at 8:30 p.m. and chaperones leave at that time. See you at Mt. Holly!

-Ski Club Pizza Party!! Our end of the year Pizza Party will be Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at Mt. Holly. Pizza and Pop will be available for a small donation. Please RSVP by March 13<sup>th</sup> via email to [kcarino@stjohnfenton.com](mailto:kcarino@stjohnfenton.com) If weather conditions do not permit skiing, we will have the party in the St. John Gym. If you would like to bring a snack or dessert to share, that would be greatly appreciated!

-Thanks Everyone!! Thanks to everyone who participated in the 2007-08 Ski Club and made the season a fun success! What a fun group and a fun family activity! We've truly love it! - Ms. Brack & The Carinos.

-Congratulations to the following Patch Earners: Blue Ski – Kori Langdon

## ATHLETIC NEWS

**Athletic Pictures!** Pictures will be sent home with the kids through their coaches. If you have any concerns please call Kim Speers at 810-232-0455 at Kim's Photography. She will be happy to hear from you!

**FALL FOOTBALL 2008! VERY IMPORTANT PLEASE READ! Return forms next week!!**

A football flyer was sent home with the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys this week. I need to know how many boys will be playing in the fall of 2008. We should have enough to have 2 football teams. However, in order for that to happen I need to begin preparing NOW! Please fill out the form and send it back to me, Kristie Carino, ASAP! Thanks so very much! GO JETS!

**BASEBALL & SOFTBALL: Forms are due Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup> – Avoid Late Registration Fee!**

Registration forms were sent home this week. All forms are due back to Kristie Carino by Monday, March 10, 2008. After the 10<sup>th</sup>, please add \$5.00 for late registration. No registrations will be accepted after March 17, 2008. If you did not receive a form you can print off a new one from our web site [www.stjohnathletics.com](http://www.stjohnathletics.com)

**SPRING COACHES NEEDED! Applications being accepted now!**

We are now accepting applications for coaching. Applications can be printed off our website [www.stjohnathletics.com](http://www.stjohnathletics.com) or you can pick one up from the main office. You MUST have completed all Protecting God's Children requirements to be considered.

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## ATHLETIC NEWS continued

### **TRACK! Track Club & Coach Needed!**

We are looking for someone who may be interested in taking on the track club here at St. John School. We still do not have a track coach at this time. Contact Kristie Carino at (810) 629-3533 (Athletic Office) or [kcarino@stjohnfenton.com](mailto:kcarino@stjohnfenton.com)

### **BASKETBALL UPDATE!!**

We are already almost through the 2008 Boys Basketball Season! Come on out and support the JETS. The boys have been working hard and it shows. Their spirit and enthusiasm for the game is terrific to see! *GO JETS!*

### **Upcoming Games:**

#### **Saturday, March 8, 2008**

8 a.m. @ St Pius Gr. 5 WHITE JETS vs St John Vianney  
8 a.m. @ St. Mary,MM Gr. 7 WHITE JETS vs Holy Family BLUE

#### **Monday, March 10, 2008 @ HOME**

5 p.m. Gr. 5 GREEN JETS vs St. Robert  
6 p.m. Gr. 6 JWHITE JETS vs Holy Rosary

#### **Monday, March 10, 2008 @ Holy Family**

5 p.m. Gr. 5 GOLD JETS vs Holy Family GOLD  
6 p.m. Gr. 5 WHITE JETS vs Holy Family BLUE

#### **Wednesday, March 12, 2008 @ HOME**

5 p.m. Gr. 7 GOLD JETS vs St John Vianney  
6:05 p.m. Gr. 7 WHITE JETS vs Holy Family Blue  
7:10 p.m. Gr. 8 JETS vs St. John Vianney

#### **Thursday, March 13, 2008 @ HOME**

5 p.m. Gr. 5 WHITE JETS vs Holy Family GOLD  
6 p.m. Gr. 6 GREEN JETS vs Holy Redeemer

#### **Thursday March 13, 2008 AWAY**

5 p.m. Gr. 5 GOLD JETS vs Holy Family – BLUE @ Holy Family  
5 p.m. Gr. 5 GREEN JETS vs St. John Vianney @ ST. Robert

### ***Congratulations to the following Basketball Teams:***

***Gr. 6 Green over Bishop Kelley (39-2)***

***Gr. 5 White over St. Pius (29-6)***

***Gr. 5 Gold over Holy Family (50-25)***

**Questions?** Call Kristie Carino at 629-3533 (Athletic Office Phone) or email at [kcarino@stjohnfenton.com](mailto:kcarino@stjohnfenton.com).