

St. John School Weekly News for Parents & Students
April 25, 2008

Dear Parents,

As many of you know, Mrs. Carmella Murray has announced that she will (again) retire at the end of June after an illustrious teaching career at St. John School. Though she retired last year and was honored for her many years of outstanding service to St. John School (including service on the Educational Foundation and H.S.A., etc.), Mrs. Murray came back for an encore performance when her intended replacement in third grade changed her mind in late August.

Throughout her years at St. John School, Mrs. Murray has contributed above and beyond classroom teaching, including involvement and leadership on many school committees. She was a key advisor to former principal, Sr. Pat, and has done much to help me make a successful transition to St. John School since 2004. Her work with students and staff is an integral part of the reputation St. John School has for turning out accomplished students who are ready for success at the next level and beyond.

So please join me in wishing her farewell and good luck in her well-deserved retirement. – *Sincerely, Mike Kehoe*

Character Trait for April: Trust

**Those who know Your name will trust in You, for You, Lord,
have never forsaken those who seek You.**

- Psalm 9:10

CALENDAR:

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| Mon. | 4-28 | Lunch Tickets sold
9 a.m. SCRIP orders to school office
3 – 4 p.m. MARKET DAY PICK-UP – Founders Hall |
| Tues. | 29 | NO MASS for students today
7 p.m. Evening of Reflection for First Eucharist children & their parents (No siblings, please) |
| Wed. | 30 | 10 – 11 a.m. Gr. 7(Adams) Walks to Rockwell Assisted Living in Fenton |
| Thurs. | 5-1 | Virtue of the Month |
| Fri. | 2 | SPIRIT DAY!! |
| Mon. | 5 | Happy Birthday, Mrs. Brack! (P.E.)
Gr. 8 Students leave for Washington D.C.
Lunch Tickets sold
9 a.m. SCRIP orders to school office |
| Tues. | 6 | 10 a.m. Gr. 1-8 School Mass in Church – Parents Welcome
1:45 p.m. Gr. 6 (AY) Trip to Rockwell Assisted Living (Rain Day – May 7) |
| Wed. | 7 | Moola-Moola Savings Club
8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Gr. 7 (MJ) Trip to North End Soup Kitchen
7 p.m. H.S.A. Executive Board Mtg. – Staff Lounge |
| Fri. | 9 | SPIRIT DAY & POPCORN DAY!!
Fun Run Day! |
| Sun. | 11 | HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!
Gr. 1 (ML) Hosts Coffee & Donuts after 8 and 10 a.m. Masses – Grand Hall |
| Mon. | 12 | Happy Birthday, Mrs. Yarber! (Gr. 6)
Lunch Tickets sold
9 a.m. SCRIP orders to school office
1:45 p.m. Gr. 6 (VA) Trip to Rockwell Assisted Living (Rain Day – May 13) |
| Tues. | 13 | NO MASS for Students!
10 a.m. Rosary & May Crowning (Crowning the Statue of Mary) in Church
1:30 p.m. JK, K, 1,2,3,4 Music Program – Grand Hall |
| Wed. | 14 | Moola-Moola Savings Club |
| Thurs. | 15 | 8:40 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. Gr. 4/5 Trip to Sloan Museum & Longway Planetarium
<u>NO FENTON P.M.</u> public school bus transportation
(K-A.M. Students – Bus to school-not home; K-P.M. Students – No bus to school or home) |
| Fri. | 16 | SPIRIT DAY!!
9:15 a.m. – 3 p.m. K & JK Trip to Potter Park Zoo |

Calendar continued:

Mon.	19	Lunch Tickets sold 2008-09 Kindergarten Vision/Hearing Screening by Genesee Cty. Health Dept. 9 a.m. SCRIP orders to school office
Tues.	20	10 a.m. Gr. 1-3 Mass in Church – Parents Welcome 2008-09 Kindergarten Vision/Hearing Screening by Genesee Cty. Health Dept. P.M. Gr. 7/8 Athletic Banquet in Grand Hall (for athletes & parents – no siblings)
Wed.	21	Moola-Moola Savings Club 1:30 p.m. Gr. 5 Spring Music Program - Cafetorium
Thurs.	22	9:30 a.m. Gr. 6,7,8 Spring Music Program - Grand Hall

EIGHTH GRADE EVENTS: Attention Gr. 8 Parents & Students!!

Dates have been set for the following eighth grade events:

- May 5-9 Washington, DC Trip
- Friday, May 30 Last day of school for 8th grade students
- Monday, June 2 8th grade Cedar Point trip
- Thursday, June 5 10:00 a.m. – Graduation breakfast and practice for Graduation
- Thursday, June 5 7:00 p.m. – Graduation Mass, followed by reception in Grand Hall

FUN RUN 2008: Friday, May 9th

Fun Run 2008 is coming on Friday, May 9! Look for the information that was sent home with every student today. The Fun Run is an event that raises money for field trips and charitable donations. Sixth and seventh grade students can raise money for their 8th grade Washington, DC trip by participating in Fun Run 2008. Pledge sheets were included with the information.

FIELD DAY: Monday, June 2nd

Field Day is scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2008. Information will be coming soon. We will be looking for parents to help our 7th grade students run Field Day events.

2008-09 DENNIS UNIFORM CATALOGS: Sent home on Monday, April 21st with oldest child

The Dennis Uniform Catalogs for 2008-09 were sent home with the oldest child in each family with Report Cards on Monday, April 21st. A copy of the 2008-09 Uniform Dress Code was attached to last week's Blue Note. Please disregard the Uniform Dress Code page included in the registration packet which listed the wrong dates for the school sales. The school sales will be held on: *Sat., Aug 9th from 2 – 7 p.m. & Mon., Aug., 11th from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.* If you didn't get a Dennis Uniform Catalog in your child's report card envelope, contact the school office.

KOZY KORNER REGISTRATION: Summer and Fall Registration – Deadline Today!!

Kozy Korner Child Care is holding their Summer and Fall registration at this time. Registrations are due by Friday, April 25th. Questions? Call (810) 629-6297.

ARTHRITIS WALK – Join the Team for a Cure! Sat., May 3rd at 10:30 a.m. @ Fenton H.S. (Check in 8:30 a.m.)

Help put an end to America's number one cause of disability by joining the *Arthritis Walk* to be held in Fenton on May 3rd. Start building a Walk Team today!

Sign up to walk today!! Brochures are available in our school office. For more information, call 800-968-3030 Ext. 230 or visit us at www.arthritis.org to register online or to find other Arthritis Walk sites.

NEW DATE!! UNCLE RAY'S FUNDRAISER FOR ARTHRITIS WALK: Saturday, April 27TH from 12 Noon – 3 p.m.

The original date was cancelled due to weather. Uncle Ray's Dairyland is holding a fundraiser for "Team Manley" and the Fenton Arthritis Walk. Come to Uncle Ray's on Leroy Street in Fenton. For a donation, you can play FREE Putt-Putt and eat FREE Ice Cream. Questions? Call Ann-Margret Manley at 750-1668.

FOUND: 2 Gift Cards were found in the school parking lot. Contact the School Office.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Scouts Help St. John School

Girl Scout Troop 1400 will be collecting "Box Tops for Education" during the weeks of April 28th and May 5th to help St. John School. Money earned from the Box Tops goes into the school scholarship fund. Please send them in to your child's teacher. Thank you for supporting our school.

URGENT!! CANDIDATES ARE NEEDED FOR H.S.A. OFFICES OF: VICE-PRESIDENT and TREASURER
ELECTIONS NEED TO BE HELD IN MAY

St. John Home and School Association needs two new officers for the 2008-09 & 2009-10 school years.

Please note the following duties of officers and consider running for an office:

The **H.S.A. VICE PRESIDENT**, as an active member of the Executive Board, shall act as an aide to the President, perform the duties of the President in the absence of the officer, and be responsible for the overall coordination of fundraising activities, in concurrence with the Executive Board. (i.e. Fall Fundraiser, Auction, Santa Secret Shop, etc.)

The **H.S.A. TREASURER**, as an active member of the Executive Board, shall act as custodian of the Association funds, keep a complete record of all deposits, receipts, and disbursements, receive all funds and deposit same, require all bills to be itemized, pay all bills, preserve all vouchers, warrants, receipts, bank statements, and submit for annual audit as requested by the Executive Board, prepare a financial statement for publication in the June newsletter.

- **Two (2) parents are needed to volunteer to run for each office**
- **Elections need to be completed by mid-May**
- **New officers will begin their terms after the June H.S.A. Executive Meeting**
- **H.S.A. Executive Board Meetings are held every 4-6 weeks, as needed**
- **Current H.S.A. officers will be glad to answer your questions**
- **Call the school office or an H.S.A. officer to place your name on the slate of candidates**
- **Serving on the H.S.A. Board is a wonderful opportunity to help our school!**

Don't wait to be asked!! Step forward and volunteer!! Call the school office or one of the following H.S.A. officers if you have questions: President – Christine McDunnough; Vice President – Laura Carpenter; Secretary – Christine Conroy; Treasurer – Lori Kline; Boosters – Jeanne Kaye

ATHLETIC NEWS! www.stjohnathletics.com

GYM CLOSED! The St. John Gym will be closed on Saturday, April 26th for a community event.

Baseball-Softball Schedules: See the athletic web site!

Pre-Registration for Fall Sports! Due on Monday, May 5th

Pre-registration packets were sent home with students 2 weeks ago. Please read them, fill out the attached forms, and return to St. John School by **Monday, May 5, 2008**. These forms will be filed and kept for the entire 2008-2009 school year. Please keep the physical form and take it with you to your doctor for your child's sports physical. Physicals are good for one calendar year, and are required by Michigan Law in order to participate in school sports. Physicals are due on or before the first day of practice.

Spring Picture Day! Tuesday, May 27th

Baseball/Softball Uniform Collection Day! Tuesday, May 27th

Jr. High Sports Banquet! Tuesday, May 20th for Gr. 7/8 Athletes & Parents

Congratulations to the following teams:

Gr. 7/8 Gold Softball Team over Bishop Kelley (21-10)

Gr. 7/8 Green Softball Team over Holy Family (14-13)

Gr. 5/6 over Holy Family (11-9)

Gr. 5/6 Gold over St. Robert (21-9)

Gr. 5/6 Green over Holy Rosary (22-3)

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

“THE LITTLE MERMAID”: May 2, 3, 9, 10 at Linden High School

The children of Kidz Theatre Kompany will present “The Little Mermaid” on May 2,3,9,10 at Linden High School auditorium located at 7201 W. Silver Lake Road in Linden. Tickets for all ages are \$5. All four show dates will have a 7 p.m. performance and the Saturday dates will show an additional matinee at 2 p.m. Questions? Call (810) 735-5313 or visit the website at www.kidztheatrekompany.org