



Saint Teresa of Avila School

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The mission of St. Teresa of Avila School is to provide a foundation in the Catholic faith as we integrate Christian values with the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical development of the child. Committed to the highest standards of academic excellence, we enrich our students with the knowledge and skills essential for life-long learning in the 21st Century.

MID-WEEK EXTRA

November 8, 2011

Dear Saint Teresa of Avila School Families,

As we start our third full month of school, I would like to say “Thanks” for taking the time each week to review the contents of this letter. It is one way of keeping you informed about the many happenings related to our school family.

CRAFT SHOW: A GREAT SUCCESS! Thanks to all who participated in the PTG Craft show this past Saturday. It was wonderful to see parents and students (and alumni!) as shoppers and sellers and volunteers! Special thanks to Kristen Myers who chaired the event!

PICTURE RETAKES On Tuesday, November 22, 2011, picture retakes will take place between 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on the gym stage. Any student who did not have a picture taken will have one taken then. Anyone who would like to have a retake must return the original packet that day. This date may be a “dress up day” for those students having their picture retaken.

NOMINATION FOR A CLOROX GRANT Please vote at www.powerabrightfuture.com Please help us continue to help our students! (You may also text a vote!) Thanks in advance for your help.

SANTA'S WORKSHOP: December 5, 6, and 7 Santa needs a lot of helpers! Please call Susan Noker at 412 635 3059 or Lori Kenna at 412 364 6350 to schedule some time with your children and their friends. Lots of help is needed and it's a great way to meet new friends!

SERVICE COMMITTEE : The newly established service committee will meet on Monday, November 14, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 8. New members are very welcome. Vicky McGoey was inadvertently missed on the last listing of members.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS The following dates are important to note:

- Veterans Day celebration, Friday, November 11, 2011, 10:30. Please return the form.
- Grandparent/Special Persons Event, Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. Please return the form. It is very important that we have accurate numbers in order to plan for seating and refreshments!

HELP YOURSELF! Remember to purchase Bonus Bucks that are available for sale at the beginning and ending of each school day. By purchasing these gift cards to over 40 establishments in our area, you are also able to "pay down" your fund raising fee and/or tuition.

GRADEBOOK: Please take the time regularly to review your child's grades on line. Our teachers make a conscientious effort to record all grades regularly (all within one week of submission). Your review of grades, and also any comments, will help to insure that your child is on task as well as to note areas where reminders and other kinds of encouragement may help the student to "be the best version" of himself or herself as a student at St. Teresa!

TUITION PAYMENTS: Your timely payments enable us to be accountable stewards to all to whom we are responsible. The sixth of twelve payments was due on November 1, 2011. Gradebook is currently available to all families whose tuition is current as of November 1, 2011.

FROM SISTER IRENE MOELLER, PARISH SOCIAL SERVICE

MINISTER: "A parishioner is in need of clothing for her four grandchildren, a girl, age 4, size 4/5, 3-year old twins (boy and girl) size 3, and a girl, age 1, size 12-18 months." If your children have outgrown these sizes and you are willing to help, please call Lee at 412 366 0289. Thanks in advance for any help you may be able to give.

Please remember in your prayer all those who have died, especially Mrs. Brungo's husband, all those who are ill, and for peace in our world.

Blessings,

Sister Karen Brink, OSB, Principal

REPEATS OF IMPORTANCE:

SERVICE AND SCIENCE COMMITTEES: We had good turnouts and lots of excitement for our two new committees for this year. Members of the service committee include Beth Bozik, Susan Thornton, Ellen Muth, Beth Braddick and Kara Mosbacher. Science committee members, whose main focus will be opportunities to research, build and maintain a greenhouse for student use are Jennifer Giunta, Doug Barrante, Jeff Jezerc, Maria Mankie, Luann Groll, Heidi Hoffman, Chris Wolff and Chris Yakim.

We would love to have additional members on both committees. Please consider attending the service meeting on Monday, November 14, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. and/or the science meeting on Tuesday, November 29, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

These are wonderful opportunities to get to know other committed parents as well as to share your expertise!