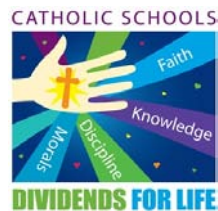


St. Francis of Assisi School, in partnership with parents, is committed to provide a strong educational foundation emphasizing traditional Catholic spirituality, teachings and values.

Catholic Schools Week

January 31 is the beginning of National Catholic Schools Week. We will begin our celebration at the 10:30 am Parish Mass, followed by cinnamon rolls in the school basement. Then beginning at Noon til 3pm there will be an Open House. All are invited to attend. The invitation is extended to prospective families, so you are welcome to bring friends to visit St. Francis of Assisi School.

Attached is a schedule of events for that week, Feb. 1 through Feb. 5. Please keep the schedule for reference over the next couple of weeks. The theme this year is: Catholic Schools, Dividends for Life—Faith, Knowledge, Discipline, Morals.



In place of the Grandparents' Luncheon this year, we will have a "Morning with our Grandparents" on Thursday, Feb. 4. We will have a special Mass at 9 am for the grandparents and their children followed by refreshments in the school basement. To help with organization and refreshments, please RSVP with the school office by January 28, 2010. If students do not have grandparents nearby, parents are welcome to join their child/ren for the morning. Please be sure to call in reservations for the number in attendance from your family by Jan. 28.

Dance Club: Lulu Blake and Janel Mayo have graciously offered to continue Dance Club. The sessions will be on Fridays, from 3:15 to 4:45 pm

The first class will be on Friday, January 15. If you are interested please fill out the attached flyer from last week and bring it to the first class tomorrow.

Uniform Reminder

Please remember that only **PLAIN** sweatshirts and school sweatshirts are allowed in the building. Students can wear any color/kind of coat outside, but inside they should wear a uniform sweatshirt. The main building is cold in the morning, so a sweatshirt is often needed. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Upcoming Events

Jan. 15—9am All school Mass
*First Dance Club session, 3:15 to 4:45 pm

Jan. 18—No School, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Jan. 19—2:30 pm Dismissal

Jan. 20—7 pm BBB meeting
Contact Jim Hertel for more information at 503-359-5166.

Jan. 21 & 28—Free Dress Days
*End of Mid-term for 2nd Trimester

Jan. 22—9am All School Mass

Jan. 29—*10 am School Mass with Fr. John Kerns(*change in time)
*11:30—Dismissal

Jan. 31—10:30 am Parish Mass begins Catholic Schools Week!
*Cinnamon Roll Sunday
***OPEN HOUSE, 12-3**

Attachments:

- Love & Logic
- Banks summer baseball info.
- Catholic Schools Wk.

KEEP THIS ISSUE!

There will not be School News Notes next week, Jan. 21. I will be out of town with a new granddaughter. If there is a concern that cannot wait, please contact the school office.

January Birthdays

1-05 Zoe Russell, gr. 4
1-07 Joel Gonzalez, gr. 2
1-08 Sarah Schultz, gr. 3
1-30 Siobhan Blake, gr. 7
1-08 Mariana Knifer, Teacher—Computers,
PE, and Music
1-30 Donna Herinckx, Janitor

*“May God bless you with love and
friendship. May you grow in wisdom,
knowledge, and grace.” (Sadler, We Believe
& Pray, p.20)*

Scrip Sellers

Ann King: 503- 647-5891
Kelleen Meeuwssen: 503-324-7706
Margaret Duyck: 503-324-3862

Special Orders: We plan to order next week. If you want any special scrip, please contact Margaret or Ann by 5 pm on Sunday, Jan. 17. (In particular, please let us know if you want any Pizza Schmizza.)

5th through 8th grade parents: Science Fair Info Update: Karen Kiss, Bernie Miller, and Diane Vidmantas will be meeting with the students on Jan. 22.

If you have any questions, please contact Sister Mary Peter (smposf@gmail.com) or Karen Kiss (karenekiss@msn.com). The school website has the due dates and previous forms sent home with past School News Notes(www.sfa-roy.org)

January 17, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, John 2:1-11

“In this Gospel, Mary the mother of our Lord, realizes that the host of a wedding party is running out of wine. She asks Jesus to do something about it, and then tells the servants that they should do whatever he tells them to do. Jesus tells the servants to fill the water jars with water, and then performs a miracle by turning all the water into wine.

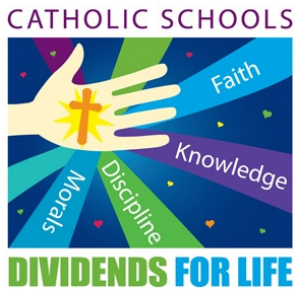
Do you do what Jesus tells you to do? Why or why not? Do you follow all his commandments? Or do you pick and choose? Have you ever asked Mary to intercede for you to Her son Jesus? If you have done this, talk about that time and what happened.”

Schoolwide Learning Expectations
completed and published with this
School News Notes Edition

January 24, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

“In today’s gospel passage from Luke, we learn that Jesus returned to Galilee (where he had grown up) and in the power of the Holy Spirit, began to teach in the Synagogues, and was praised by all. When he came to Nazareth, he went into the Synagogue and read from the scroll (or book) of the prophet Isaiah: ‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, and to let the oppressed go free...’

What are the ‘glad tidings’ that Jesus brings to you? How can you share them with others?”



Catholic Schools Week

January 31- February 5, 2010

Catholic Schools: Dividends for Life

January 31, Sunday - Celebrate Catholic Schools in our Parish

Coffee and Cinnamon Rolls after the Masses
Open House from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m.

February 1, Monday - Celebrate Catholic Schools in our Community

Career Day Speakers will share their experiences with the students from 8:45 to 9:45:
Courtney Shaefer, cardiac nurse; Doug Hixson, golf professional; a football pro and
community volunteer; and a Nike designer and businessman.

Dress: Career or Favorite Book Character

February 2, Tuesday - Celebrate Catholic Schools with Clergy and Religious

Vocation Speakers: 8:45 to 9:45, Sister Charlene Herinckx, Jennifer Salome, and a
married couple will share their calling to their vocations.

Dress: Crazy hair and pajama day

February 3, Wednesday - Celebrate Catholic Schools in our Nation

National Guard soldiers will come and do the flag ceremony in the morning and then
visit the classrooms. Cards/letters to soldiers.

Dress: Red, white, & blue OR favorite football team colors (nice jeans OK today)

February 4, Thursday - Celebrate Catholic Schools with Volunteers and Students

Fr. Boniface will offer Mass at 9:00 a.m. for the students, parents, and grandparents.
Following the Mass, students and parents/grandparents will go to the school basement
for a pastry and beverage; and then the students will return to their classrooms.
In the afternoon, there will be student choice classes.

Dress: Nice clothes for Mass and visitors. After lunch: Crazy hat &/or backwards day

February 5, Friday - Celebrate Catholic Schools with our Teachers

No school. The teachers will be attending an Archdiocesan Faith Formation Inservice.

*If you do not wear the dress for the day, you must wear the school uniform. Thank you.

LOVE & LOGIC

January 14, 2010

Threats



Dear Parents,

I last wrote about a mother whose primary parenting technique with her daughter was the use of warnings and threats about pushing her child-sized shopping cart into her sister. Her daughter didn't respond, but continued her behavior.

It's easy and convenient to threaten in the hopes that it will work. And occasionally it actually does. Of course, this is much like playing a slot machine. With an occasional payoff, we are tempted to continue to play the game. Unfortunately, we all know that the slot machine usually wins in the long run. And kids usually learn to ignore hollow threats.

Unlike the slot machine, kids don't win in the long run. They become conditioned to either require more and larger threats, or they learn to simply ignore us.

Parents who use warnings and threats soon wonder why their kids ignore others such as their teachers. Kids who ignore the advice of teachers soon fall behind in school. But why should they listen to others? They don't have to listen to their parents.

What a shock it must be for kids who grow up like this to discover that their bosses don't give a lot of reminders and warnings. How unfair this must feel to young adults. I've seen many young adults lose their jobs. They view their employers as totally unfair, and complain that they weren't warned about the impending loss of the job.

Do your kids a favor. Tell them what you expect just once. If they don't respond or remember, allow a reasonable consequence to follow. When they complain, simply say, "Not to worry, I'm sure your listening will get better." Parents who run their home this way will get many rewards in the future, as will their children.

Thanks for reading,
Jim Fay



January 2010 Newsletter

Elected Officers:

President - Angela Pritchett

Secretary - LaRoy LaBonte

Equipment - Dennis Everson

Registration Rep - Rose Delplanche

Vice President - Erin Larsen

Treasurer - Jenny Compton

Uniforms - Missy Schmitt

New website: <http://banksgirlssummersoftball.clubspaces.com>

New for 2010:

BGSS will participate in Little League for 2010 as a trial period for our Recreation teams including the Soft T-Ball teams. We are very excited about this opportunity. We will still have the tourney teams as in prior years.

Some of the benefits we expect are:

- More teams to play against
- More evenly matched games
- More games scheduled
- More flexible age groups

We will participate in Little League under the Forest Grove Little League charter, as we are included in their mapped district for softball. Our teams will be formed in the same manner as previous years, with only Banks girls on our teams. At the end of the league season, the girls can try out for All Stars and have the possibility of playing Little League All Stars.

The age groups are:

AA (5-8)	Replaces 8U
AAA (7-12)	Replaces 10U
Majors (9-12)	Replaces 12U
Juniors (13-14)	Replaces 14U

Registration:

Registration will be on Jan 14th and Jan 20th from 6-8pm at Banks Elem School.

If you have any questions, you may contact Angela Pritchett at (971) 322-9696 or amp79@yahoo.com. If you miss registration, you may mail your form to PO Box 76, Banks OR 97106.

Evaluations:

We will have required evaluations for all players 3rd-8th grade this year. This will assist in placing girls as Little League allows us more flexibility. The evals is for both players wanting to play Little League & those wanting to play on a Tourney team. Evaluations will be inside H.S. Gym. It is only necessary to attend one date, but attending both is at your discretion.

Sunday, February 14

3rd-5th 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

6th-8th 2:30 pm-4:00 pm

Monday, February 15

3rd-5th 3:00 pm-4:30 pm

6th-8th 4:30 pm-6:00 pm

Lady Brave Softball Clinic:

Banks HS Lady Braves softball is hosting a clinic on Friday, March 12th from 12:00 pm -3:00 pm. Cost is \$25 per player and includes a clinic T-Shirt. Flyer is attached.

Field Work Day:

There will be a joint field work day (HS & Summer Softball) on Saturday, March 6th starting at 8:00 am. Projects to include field and miscellaneous repair and some painting. Volunteers should bring garden tools and gloves. Contact Jenny Compton at (503) 704-6522 to volunteer.

Calendar:

Evaluations	February 14-15th
Field Work Day	March 6th
Braves Youth Clinic	March 12th
Practices start	end of March
Games	April 12 th -first week of June

BANKS GIRLS SUMMER SOFTBALL & SOFT T-BALL REGISTRATION 2010

Banks Elementary School Cafeteria
Thursday, January 14 & Wednesday, January 20
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Registration Fee - **\$90 for Softball & \$80 for Soft T-ball**

<http://banksgirlssummersoftball.clubspaces.com>

A **COPY** of each players **BIRTH CERTIFICATE** is required. Certificates are on file for players from prior years. Please bring a copy to registration if you are not sure if one is on file.

Player Information:

Last Name	First Name	Phone #	Date of Birth	Age on 1/1/10	Grade

Team Placement Information: (No placement guarantees)

Years Experience	Recreational or Competitive	Position(s) Played

Parent Information and Liability Agreement:

Parent Name(s)	Address, City, ZIP	Phone #	Email

We, the parents of the above named player, assumed all risks and hazards incidental to participation in all activities including transportation to and from such activities; and I hereby waive, release, and absolve the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants and persons transporting my child to and from activities, for any claim arising out of injury to my child whether the results are of negligence or are of any other cause, except to the extent and in the amount covered by accident or liability insurance. In the event of an injury or sudden illness, the supervising adult has my permission to arrange emergency medical treatment.

Allergies or Medical conditions to be aware of: _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Please mark below if you are interested in:

Coach	Asst. Coach	Transportation	Score Keeping
Board Member	Sponsorship	Team Parent	Clinics

Registration Use Only:

Paid	Birth Certificate	Pants Size	Shorts Size	Top Size

Coach Requested _____
(Will try to accommodate all requests)

Players Requested _____
(Will try to accommodate all requests)