

Academy News

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Jimmy John's Lunch

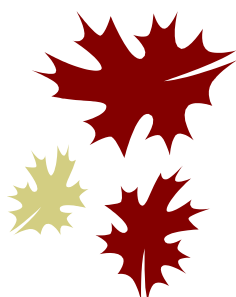
Friday, September 22, will be our Jimmy John's lunch. All half day students are invited to stay and enjoy sandwiches with their friends.

Half day students can be picked up at 12:30pm. If you are not ordering a sandwich for your child, please send him or her with a lunch from home.

Power School

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 23	Play Date/Open House
Sept. 24	Strengthening Catholic Schools Conference
Sept. 29	Picture Day
Sept. 30	Play Date/Open House
Oct. 3	Hot Lunch begins
Oct. 5	Grandparents' Day
Oct. 7	Family Game/.Movie Night



Today in your Thursday Folder you will be getting your parent log-in and password for Power School. Please follow the directions from the paper to direct you to the site. Try logging in to see if your log-in information is correct.

The teachers have begun using Power School for taking attendance, but have not yet set any grading information. The teachers will not have any grades posted before Oct. 7, which is the same day you will be getting the first mid-term report.

Hot Lunch Provider

After much careful consideration and sampling of food, we have selected our Hot Lunch Provider for the 2011-2012 School Year. We are pleased to announce that Suparossa/Cucina Biagio on Lawrence Ave. has developed a weekly menu for us that will be delicious. Each day the students will either have the a salad or fruit to accompany their meal. The

menus and order forms have been included in your child's Thursday folder. Prices for the lunches will be \$4.50 and includes milk or juice. We understand that the prices have increased from last year, but every vendor we have sampled has quoted us the same pricing. We are excited to be working with Suparossa this year!

Grandparents' Day

Thank you for submitting addresses for our Grandparents' Day. We will be mailing the invitations by tomorrow. If your child does not have a grandparent or has grandparents out of state, please invite an aunt or uncle or "Special Friend" may come. The grandparents will have an opportunity to visit the classrooms with their grandchildren and see what they learn each day. After visiting with their grandchildren in the classrooms, everyone will enjoy some refreshments in the school hall.

Peacemakers

Every other week at The Academy, students in each classroom who are "Peacemakers" will be chosen. Peacemakers are kind to others, respectful to everyone, help the teacher, shares without being asked, stops others from fighting or bullying, etc. Students who are chosen as Peacemakers will receive a certificate and an out of uniform pass. Students will also be featured in the newsletter. Next week's newsletter will include our Peacemakers for this week!



U.S. Cellular

U.S. Cellular® called Calling All Communities. U.S. Cellular® is giving away \$1 Million to schools. What you have to do is go to a U.S. Cellular® location and obtain a code for your school and then go online and vote for your school. You can vote once a day, everyday. The school with the most votes will receive \$150,000, and the top 2-18 schools will receive \$50,000. You can vote through October 6, and they post the top 100 schools on the website so you can track it. Here is the website for additional information: <http://www.uscellular.com/callingallcommunities>.

We are also attaching a link for a Friends and Family Coupon for US Cellular courtesy of Mrs. Lucero, Pre-Kindergarten parent.

http://www.uscellular.com/uscellular/pdf/11USC064_Sept_FriendsFam_Coupon.pdf

Sears

This Saturday, Sears is having a family day only at the Orland Park, Woodfield, Harlem Ave., and Fox Valley Mall locations. Come between the hours of 11:00am and 4:00pm for the "Michael Jackson Experience" in the Electronics Department. Practice your dance moves and receive 1 FREE child general admission ticket to the Museum of Science and Industry.

Girl Scouts

We will be organizing our Girl Scout Troop very soon. We were awaiting our paperwork to be finalized. I have spoken with some moms who are interested in helping with our troop. As soon as we have all of the details we will send them home with our students.

Check out what's happening in our classrooms...

Ms. Margaret's Pre-School

This week in Ms. Margaret's Preschool Class we "walked" the letter A, practiced our Gloria prayer, and made observations of the inside of an apple. We even painted the letter A. We had a lot of fun learning!

Ms. Nancy's Pre-Kindergarten

Last week we made applesauce with apples. The children loved mixing apples in a large bowl. They were amazed when I served it for snack. Yummy! We also talked about Jesus and his friends. We read a bible story about Adam and Eve and the children had many questions about why Adam and Eve did not listen to God. One student asked me if it was okay if he ate apples. ☺ We also learned about whole and half in math. I cut an apple in half and then put it together to show the children the difference. The children then cut a paper apple in half and put it back together again to show the difference between half and whole. Look in your child's folder for the apple and have them show you what they have learned.
Looking ahead....
Fall is here! We are making leaf boys and girls in art. In science, we will be talking about the color of our eyes. In math, we will be sorting and counting leaves.

Ms. Kim's Kindergarten

Ms. Kim's kindergarten class finished their first Superkids book this week and we just started our second Superkids book, Oswald. The students were super excited to meet the second Superkid today. Make sure to ask your child what Oswald likes to do. In math we are continuing to work on our counting skills and have even looked a little bit at some addition.

Mrs. Sibick's Multi-age Classroom

The students are working on cross curriculum activities. We listened to a math story being read to us from the SMART Board. It reviewed concepts of time and subtraction. Also, the students echo (I read it, they repeat it) read a math poem. Everyone has two poems in our poetry journal. The students will add to it throughout the year and read from it. First graders are learning how we are part of the Catholic Community. Kindergarten students listened to the story about Noah and the ark. They discussed how the rainbow reminds us that God always cares for us.

Football Mania

Thank you to the many families who supported our Football Mania fundraiser! Guess what? We can still sell more tickets until October 8!!!! If you would like to sell any more tickets, please contact Mrs. Clarke in the office. She will be happy to set some aside for you. Good luck and thank you!

If you sold 10 tickets, you have fulfilled the Fundraising Fee. You have an opportunity to sell raffle tickets also for our Gala in the Spring.

Uniforms/Spirit Wear

If you have not yet ordered uniforms for your child for the school year, please do so as soon as possible. All students are required to wear our uniform shirt with the cross logo. **Khaki or navy pants, shorts, skirts, and jumpers are to be worn as a part of the uniform.** The link to Land's End has been fixed on our website. Please go to the Parents tab on the website.

Spirit Wear have been placed! We are waiting for them to be delivered. As soon as they are delivered they will be distributed. Orders will be placed on a monthly basis if you would like to order more shirts, etc.