

*****Those involved with the Veterans Program (you know who you are!) will meet briefly at 8 a.m. in the morning, Monday, in the music room to finalize details for the November program. Thanks!**

*******MEETING MONDAY (Teaching Staff PreK-8), OCTOBER 26, 3:30 TO 4:15 P.M. IN THE SCIENCE LAB. We will briefly talk about this week's Year of the Priest. Then, all NTIL teachers will meet to update progress on NTIL competition. PLEASE BE PROMPT!!**

**ICCS STAFF THEME FOR 2009-2010:
Same as the school theme:**

“Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God...”

**WEEK of Oct. 26-30
Staff Memo and Staff Meeting Notes**

--30th Week of Ordinary Time

Saints of the Week: Wednesday: Sts. Simon and Jude, pray for us!!

Virtue of the Month for October: COURAGE!! Blessed Margaret Pole "I command you; be firm and steadfast! Do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Virtue of the Month for November: JOY!! "Come let us sing joyfully to the Lord: let us acclaim the Rock of our Salvation." Psalm 95:1

Dear all,

Thank you for another fantastic week! You very, very hard work in meeting with every school family to discuss the progress of their children is very much appreciated! Thank you to all the support staff who helped with Extended, Office, and more! Thank you again for all you did to make the Holyween Carnival another tremendous family-friendly success! It was absolutely wonderful!!

The In-Service was wonderful. Dr. Wannemuehler surely kept us all laughing but was extremely informative about how to be about this ministry of Catholic education. Her last caveat of “Teach as if this will be the last day you will teach,” is truly thought-provoking. We begin another week in HIS service!

******Eligibility: Get any names to Irene no later than noon each Monday.**

******NOTE REGARDING ELIGIBILITY: If a student fails a core subject the first quarter, they are ineligible the first three weeks of the second quarter plus they are ineligible after that time if they still do not have a passing grade in the second quarter. Please keep Irene apprised as we enter basketball season and academic event competition.**

MONDAY: Lesson Plans due at 8 a.m. in binder

MONDAY: Go Lady Knights at home against Walnut Bend

MONDAY: All preK-8 teachers meeting 3:30 p.m. Science Lab

TUESDAY: Catholic High School Fair 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the gym.

WEDNESDAY: Glamourcraft will be here until around 11 a.m. for photos.

*****STAFF MEMBERS: BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR PHOTO TAKEN FOR AN ID. IT CAN BE TAKEN AT ANY TIME****

WEDNESDAY: Remind your children that this is the last week for the Penny Drive. Also remind your children about bringing a non-perishable food item for the poor to Mass this Thursday.

WEDNESDAY: CHUCK-E-CHEESE FAMILY NIGHT FROM 3 P.M. TO CLOSE

THURSDAY: Our first graders will dress up in honor of the saints at the 8:15 a.m. Mass!!

THURSDAY: Eighth Grade Parent Meeting 7 p.m. in the library.

FRIDAY: Student Council will visit K-8 classrooms for Penny Drive.

SUNDAY: FEAST OF ALL SAINTS!!

NOTE ABOUT CLASSROOM OBSERVATIONS: Dr. Wannemuehler reinforced the extreme importance of Lesson Plans, keeping your gradebooks with weekly grades inputted, and with the importance of the administration reinforcing the wonderful work you do in the classrooms. Thank you!

******Nov. 6: Our Pre-School and Kindergarten will have their annual St. Jude's Trike-A-Thon to Benefit St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. We'll have some Upper School students helping along with the Denton Police Department to teach about Bicycle Safety. Thanks so much to our ICCS Staff members who dedicate themselves to this very important effort!**

--Oct. 26: Volleyball Here against Walnut Bend

--Oct. 27: Catholic High School Fair 7 P.M. ICCS gym.

--Oct. 28: Glamourcraft will be here for Yearbook Photos.

--Oct. 28: Chuck-E-Cheese Family Night

--Nov. 2: Catholic Charities will visit the school and give a program on Immigration and Refugees

--Nov. 2: Go Lady Knights NTIL Volleyball Game at St. Mary's

--Nov. 6: St. Jude's Trike-A-Thon Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten to Benefit St. Jude's Hospital

--Nov. 7: NTIL Volleyball Tournament at ICCS all day

--Nov. 9-13: National Adoption Month.... Collection of items needed by GEMS (Gabriel Education Ministry and Support) the week of November 9 - 13. This organization helps educate and support women in crisis pregnancies whether they choose to parent or place their child for adoption.

--Dec. 2: Cherub Choir sings at Kiwanis Breakfast Club at 7 a.m.

The 2009-2010 National Theme for Catholic Schools is "Catholic Schools—Dividends for Life".

See www.ncea.org

ACADEMIC FOCUS: Standards Based Curriculum: Vertical and Horizontal Alignment of Writing Across the Curriculum!

SPIRITUAL FOCUS: A Call to Holiness!!

*Facilities Events Can Be Viewed: ****www.iccdenton.org News and Events....Calendar*

--Lunch Duty: As a Catholic, non-public school, we are not required to allow for duty-free lunches. However, by the grace of God and the hard work of many, here at ICCS we've been able to do that the past couple of years for the most part. At this time, we do not even require teachers, while duty free, to remain in the lunchroom to eat their lunch, like some schools do. The only thing we are asking is that, very occasionally, when we are short-staffed, most of the time unplanned due to a mini-emergency, is that a teacher be a backup for the safety and security of the children. This has worked very well for the most part as the vast majority of our teachers has graciously checked in the lunchroom personnel or has always been willing to step in at a moment's notice. We are extremely grateful to you for this. We do know, that on some rare occasions, a teacher who has been assigned duty for a particular day is unable perform that duty for one reason or another. Please know that if this happens, the person will be called upon to serve the next time a duty assignment comes up. If, for some reason, you can't serve your lunch duty when asked, please clear your request with the principal. Being a school that honors the Social Justice teachings of our faith, we do try to be as fair as possible. Please ask if you have questions. Again, thank you for your dedication and commitment to the children and our faith mission!

