

# NATIVITY NEWS AND NOTES

September 24, 2009

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

*Barb Castagna*

Dear Parents,

The marathon is this Friday. We are very excited and hoping for nice weather. PALS groups will meet at 1:00 p.m. and gather outside at 1:15 p.m. for a short assembly before the walk. Students and staff will be receiving t-shirts to wear, and they can be out of uniform in the morning. At the end of the walk, students will get a chance to play and have an ice cream treat. The first marathon collection day is Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>.

This year the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis is asking that all schools administer the SAT (Stanford Achievement Test) to all 8<sup>th</sup> graders. This test is similar to the MAT 8 that the students have taken here in the past. Students will start taking the test next week.

Please remember to keep children home if they are not feeling well. If they have a fever or vomit, they need to stay home for 24 hours after the fever breaks or the vomiting stops. We have had some students with influenza-like symptoms and have been following the guidelines as stated by CDC. Enclosed in today's communication folder is an information sheet on influenza for parents from the Minnesota Health Department.

Thank you to Erin Dobesh, Mary Kay Hird, Katy McGrane, and Kirsten Berkowitz for staffing the school table in the hallway on primary election day.

## **Box Tops**

Thank you for continuing to send in your Box Top sheets that were sent home in the August communication folder. We have raised over \$400.00 already, and they keep coming in to the office.

## 52 Club

The September 20<sup>th</sup> winner of \$100.00 was Monica Strout.

## Alumni News

Congratulations to Bridget McEvoy. She is the junior Homecoming attendant at Jefferson High School.

### NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

Monday, September 28	SAT Testing – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Wednesday, September 30	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Camp St. Croix
Thursday, October 1	9:45 a.m. School Mass; 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Camp St. Croix
Friday, October 2	Out of Uniform; 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Camp St. Croix

### LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS

Monday, September 28	1:00–3:00	Mayra Franco, Maria Loya
Tuesday, September 29	10:00-11:35	Sue Wilson
	12:00-3:40	Jill Schreiber-Smith, <b>Need a</b>

*Tina Meyer*

### Volunteer

Wednesday, September 30	12:10-3:00	Dana Jones-Sell
Thursday, October 1	12:00-3:35	Tina Flowers, Barb Dockendorf

**It's time to think about volunteering for the Book Fair. We need help as follows:**

Saturday, October 10	Set-up: 1 p.m. - Need 10 people
Saturday, October 10	After Mass at 5 p.m. – Need 2 people
Sunday, October 11	After Masses at 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Need 2
people after each Mass.	

Monday, October 12	9:00-12:15 - 1 person
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Monday, October 12	12:15-4:00 - 2 people
Tuesday, October 13	9:00-12:15 - 1 person
Tuesday, October 13	12:15-4:00 - 2 people
Wednesday, October 14	10:30 (after Mass) until done – Need 20
people	
October 14 –Grandparents' day-	I need the most help - please volunteer.

Call 952-881-8160 ext. 208

## **WE NEED Library HELP:**

Tuesday of the Month	10-11:35	7 <sup>th</sup> grade	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
Tuesday	12:00-3:40	2 <sup>nd</sup> (Duerr), 4 <sup>th</sup> (both), 6 <sup>th</sup> (both)	1 person -
2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays			

## **LUNCHROOM VOLUNTEERS**

*Jennifer Lovegreen*

Monday, September 28	C. Thomson, T. Flowers, T. Reuter, D. Reuter
Tuesday, September 29	J. Carol, P. Weichselbaum, K. Novak, J. Johnson
Wednesday, September 30	K. Berkowitz, J. Skogmo, S. McHale, <b>Need a Volunteer</b>
Thursday, October 1	M. Koch, V. Murphy, T. Reuter, <b>Need a Volunteer</b>
Friday, October 2	R. Snure, C. Thomson, S. Farley, <b>Need a Volunteer</b>

## **PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS**

*Sherri Werner*

Monday, September 28	11:30 – 12:25	C. Flowers, M. Schreier
	12:50 – 1:10	<b>Need a Volunteer</b>
Tuesday, September 29	11:30 – 12:25	S. Hank, T. Peller
	12:50 – 1:10	<b>Need a Volunteer</b>
Wednesday, September 30	11:30 – 12:25	M. Koplín, <b>Need a Volunteer</b>
	12:50 – 1:10	<b>Need a Volunteer</b>
Thursday, October 1	11:30 – 12:25	C. Robbel, <b>Need a Volunteer</b>
	12:50 – 1:10	<b>Need a Volunteer</b>
Friday, October 2	11:30 – 12:25	M. Leonard, <b>Need a</b>
<b>Volunteer</b>		
	12:50 – 1:10	<b>Need a Volunteer</b>

## **6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENTS**

*Laura Millenacker*

We are still in need of a male chaperone to stay at Camp St. Croix on Wednesday night (September 30). Please email if you can help!

[Laura.millenacker@nativitybloomington.org](mailto:Laura.millenacker@nativitybloomington.org)

## **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

*Jennifer Lovegreen*

Our September contest is underway and so far one of our 7th graders is leading the contest – Luke Matlon! Will he stay on top and take home the basket of “back to school” goodies?? The first contest ends on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> and we will announce the winner on Friday Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>! Our October contest winner will be the GRADE with the most box tops submitted from Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> – Fri. Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> and will get to be out of uniform the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of November! Make sure when you turn in your box tops (either on the green sheets or in Ziplocs) that your child’s name is

visible!! Also, remember to check those expiration dates – we cannot turn in any expired box tops! One more thing – remember when you are doing any on-line shopping to go thru [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com). Our school gets a percentage of all of your on-line shopping! Check out their website before you go grocery shopping – you can print off coupons right from your computer! Remind your family and friends can save for your kids also.

### **CUB SCOUT REGISTRATION – PACK #374**

*Kristi Rollwagen*

Boys in grades 1 – 5 are welcome to join Cub Scouts through October 1<sup>st</sup>. Any questions, please contact Kristi Rollwagen at 952-703-0059 or [sk5068@aol.com](mailto:sk5068@aol.com).

### **VOLUNTEER VIPS AND VACANCIES**

*Katy McGrane*

**Thank yous:** There is a group of office and clerical aides that help out in and around the office with copying, laminating, desk duties, communication folders, and even allow Wanda Hagerty to enjoy a lunch away from her desk every now and then! Thank you to Erin Dobesh, Mayra Franco, Judy Skogmo, Katy McGrane, Mary Koch, and Ingrid Klein for helping Nativity's office and teachers. In addition to this help, Barb Hoffmann helps out our office with the publishing of the News and Notes each week. Thanks for what you do Barb!!

**Looking for an opportunity to help our community???? Sign up NOW for these vacancies needing to be filled:**

- ❖ If you can help Barb Hoffmann with the News and Notes publications, contact Wanda Hagerty [wanda.hagerty@nativitybloomington.org](mailto:wanda.hagerty@nativitybloomington.org) .
- ❖ To help in and around the office with clerical or office aide duties, contact Ingrid Klein at [idklein@aol.com](mailto:idklein@aol.com) .
- ❖ Accelerated Reading Program chair: contact Katy McGrane [katymcgrane@earthlink.net](mailto:katymcgrane@earthlink.net)
- ❖ Coordination of one of the following hospitality events:
  - o Teacher conference days dinners
  - o Bus Driver Appreciation morning
  - o Kindergarten Visit DayEach of these requires a bit of e-mail coordination with a list of volunteers supplied to you and minimal decorating of a hospitality table. Contact Katy McGrane at [katymcgrane@earthlink.net](mailto:katymcgrane@earthlink.net) to help.

## **INNISBROOK FUNDRAISER**

*Barb Hoffmann*

Be sure to check out the Innisbrook catalog you received at registration or in your communication folder. There are many choices of beautiful wrapping paper, gift bags, and gift tags for your holiday and special occasion needs. There are also tasty candy choices for holiday gift giving! Our school earns 50% on all sales.

All order entry is online this year, and quite easy to use. If you have questions about order entry, or don't have access to a computer, please contact Barb Hoffmann at [mn\\_hoff@yahoo.com](mailto:mn_hoff@yahoo.com), or call 952-943-8214 and I will provide assistance.

After you have entered your order online, print out a copy of the voucher and send it into school in your Innisbrook envelope along with your check(s). All vouchers and checks need to be turned in to the office by September 25<sup>th</sup>.

## **NATIVITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NEWS**

*Tim Thoreson*

### **Basketball Registration for Grades 4-8**

Just a reminder that all registrations and payments for Nativity Basketball, grades 4-8 are due back to the office by Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. **Failure to turn in payment and registration by the deadline could result in student not being able to play Nativity basketball.** Thank you for your cooperation!

### **Pop Donations**

Nativity Athletic Association requests that each family that participates in a Nativity Athletic Program donate one 12 pack of pop to be sold in the pop machine. The pop machine generates a lot of money that is used toward the athletic programs. Flavors of pop that can be donated are: Diet Coke, Coke, Cherry Coke, Sprite, Mountain Dew, and Sunny Delight. Pop can be dropped off in office or gymnasium. Thanks in advance for your donations.

### **PRAYER THOUGHT**

The Lord is my rock... and my stronghold. Psalm 18:2