

# St. Francis School Newsletter

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Dear St. Francis School Families,

*Just a reminder with Halloween coming next week that students are encouraged to show their creativity in their costumes. Remember that images of violence are **NOT** allowed. This includes weapons or depictions of blood and gore. It is our intention to make this a pleasant and delightful experience for our students as the little goblins parade through the school and enjoy their class parties. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be running their annual "Haunted House" with proceeds to benefit Brother Dan's Food Pantry. Should you have any concerns, please contact me at school.*

*Yours in Christ,*

*James Kanine*

## AUCTION UPDATE

- Next meeting: Mon., Oct. 28 at 8:15am in Cafeteria with team leader reports.
- Each classroom has an acquisition leader responsible for contacting parents within the classroom for donations for the auction. These are your classroom leaders: K-Amy Harris, 1<sup>st</sup>-Laura Miranda and Suzy Walkerdine, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Olga Peck and Patti Shoenborn, 3<sup>rd</sup>-Christine Winter, 4<sup>th</sup>-Jennifer Knapp and Amy Nicholson, 5<sup>th</sup>-Deanna Beaudoin, 6<sup>th</sup>-Kim Wroblewski and Becky Tanis, 7<sup>th</sup>-Ann Carolan, 8<sup>th</sup>-Mary Fran Kolp. If you have suggestions for Gala Auction items, certificates or services please contact you classroom acquisition leader prior to solicitation as we have begun collecting items. You may also contact Sheela Allum our acquisition chair at 989-619-2101 or sheelhamaste@gmail.com

Thursday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am-11:30 am. If you have not signed up please contact the school office to schedule your time. If you can't remember your conference time slot, a reminder note will go home a week before. Middle school and enrichment teachers will meet with parents on a first come basis in their classroom.

**Parents are asked to consider the most important questions and concerns prior to their arrival.**

## BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Thank you to all the families that contributed to the baby bottle fundraiser for the Pregnancy Care Center of Petoskey. Our school raised over \$1,100 which will be matched by the Petoskey Knights of Columbus Organization. This is our 4<sup>th</sup> year of participating in this event and our highest donation to date!



**Student Council Representatives**  
Front Row- Lucy Tarachas, Lucas O'Donnell and Brian Pike (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) Back Row-Danny Kolp and William Coveyou (8<sup>th</sup> grade).

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## SCHOOL WEBSITE

Just a reminder to use our school website to access the school calendar, news and events, Pinnacle link, FACTS link, NWEA link and Diocese of Gaylord link. The website also has tabs for PTO, Auction and SCRIP. The web address is: [school.petoskeyfx.org](http://school.petoskeyfx.org).

## FAMILY SCHOOL SERVICE

All school families are required to provide only 10 hours of service to the school. 4 hours are to be dedicated to the lunchroom/playground. The remaining 6 hours are to be to Auction/PTO events. Remember to log your time in the school office for family credit.

## 2013 HOME BASKETBALL GAMES

Show your support of SFX athletics by attending some of the upcoming girls and boys home basketball games at the NCMC gym.

Girls:	7 <sup>th</sup> team	8 <sup>th</sup> team	Opponent
Weds. Oct. 30	4:30	5:30	Inland Lakes
Fri. Nov. 1	4:30	5:30	Alpena St.
Fri. Nov. 8	4:30	5:30	Pellston
Mon. Nov. 25	4:30	5:30	Rogers City
Tues. Nov. 26	4:30	5:30	Gaylord St.
Thur. Dec. 5	4:30	5:30	Onaway

  

Boys:	7 <sup>th</sup> team	8 <sup>th</sup> team	Opponent
Mon. Nov. 4	4:30	5:30	Rogers City
Wed. Nov. 6	4:30	5:30	Pellston
Tues. Nov. 19	4:30	5:30	Inland Lakes
Fri. Nov. 22	4:30	5:30	Alpena St.
Fri. Dec. 13	4:30	5:30	Onaway
Mon. Dec. 16	4:30	5:30	Gaylord St.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our Scholastic Book Fair is coming soon. On Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> students will be able to view the books for sale and then on Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> during parent teacher conferences, students will be able to purchase books. We receive 40%-60% of the proceeds from sales to purchase books from Scholastic for our school library.

## FARM TOKENS FOR EDUCATION

The collection date for Farm Tokens for Education is quickly approaching. Please return your tokens to the school office as soon as possible. Thanks to Maggie Kromm for being in charge of this fundraiser to benefit our school.

## MCLEAN AND EAKIN

Please don't forget to mention SFX when making purchases at McLean and Eakin, as 10% of the sale goes back to SFX in a check which is used to purchase new books for our school library.

## LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found bucket by the Kindergarten door is over flowing. Please check to see if your student is missing any items.

## INCLEMENT WEATHER

As the rainy days of October head toward the icy days of November we remind parents to have your students dressed for the weather. We will be outside each day unless it is raining or the wind chill drops below 10 degrees.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

10/26	PTO Beer and Wine Tasting
10/27	PTO Franks Fall Family Festival Day (3:00-5:00)
11/1	No School for students- P.D. day for staff at the Diocese
11/7	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade bake sale/all school non-uniform-clash day
11/8	1 <sup>st</sup> Marking Period Ends
11/14	Report cards go home Parent/Teacher Conferences Scholastic Book Fair
11/15	No School for students- Parent/Teacher Conferences Scholastic Book Fair
11/22	Middle School Non-Uniform Day
11/27-29	No School-Thanksgiving Break
12/5	Christmas Concert-6:30pm