

St. Francis Xavier Newsletter

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Families of St. Francis Xavier,

The 2015-2016 school year is the most important school year because it is happening right now. It was uplifting to me to see the turnout at our Mandatory Parent Meeting on Tuesday, September 15th at the Knights of Columbus Hall. For all our experienced parents, there wasn't much that was new for you, but your presence was a sign of your faith in action. At a minimum, I hope it is comforting to see the staff and chat with other parents. It is an effective way to begin a school year. Perhaps we will look at a way to "change it up" for next year!

Our children make you proud and they make us proud. The new Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Gaylord, Frank Sander, visited our school on Wednesday, September 16th. Frank had a blast talking with your children. I was so proud of the students and staff that I was floating in the clouds for the rest of the week. St. Francis Xavier was awesome and both Frank and I were totally impressed with what we witnessed. You as parents are to be congratulated on your children and how they work, act, pray and play throughout the day! It was truly a highlight for me to watch the children in action.

We are right into the business of teaching and learning. It is pretty amazing how quickly the students acclimate to the work. Your teachers are amazing; they love your children. We are happy to be a part of the St. Francis Xavier Team.

Yours in Christ,

*James Kanine
Principal*

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

Background checks: These are required if you are volunteering in the classroom, lunchroom or on field trips. Stop by the office if you have not submitted these important documents. If you have not updated these documents in the past three years, please stop by to fill out new forms.

Office sign in: Don't forget to sign in and out at the office if you are volunteering in the classroom, in the lunchroom, for ELF sessions or other activities. Be sure to wear the red School Pass badge as well.

Lunchtime monitors: All school families must work 4 lunch shifts throughout the year. Please call or stop by the office to sign up on the office calendar so we can track your hours.

Ren-Web: We are continuing with Ren-Web for our 4th-8th grade parents to check attendance, homework and grades. New users go to internet explorer browser and navigate to www.renweb.com. Hover over Logins and select Parents Web Login. Type in our district code: sf-mi. Enter your email address. Click: create account. A password will be emailed to the email address entered. You can then log on to renweb the same way and enter the district code and your temporary password. The system will allow you to create a new password once in the system. Returning users should use their previous user name and password for access.

Home/School Communication: Please send any new contact information (phone numbers, e-mail, addresses) to us at school to keep our records current.

Lost Items: Please label all coats, lunch boxes, and other personal items as we are having many items in lost and found.

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Grand Raffle Tickets: School families are asked to help sell the 1500 available tickets to support the school auction. Each family at the Parent Commitment Meeting was given 5 tickets to sell. You are required to sell a minimum of 3 tickets. If you were not at the Parent Commitment Meeting look for your tickets in mail. More tickets are always available in the parish and school offices.

SFX School Election Results: Congratulations to our new school officers:

President- Jack Izzard

Vice President-Andrew Coveyou

Secretary-Hailey Greimel

Treasurer- Hailey Tanis

8th Grade Class Representative-
Tripp Thomas

7th Grade Class Representative-Hammond

Law **Alternate-**William Pizzuti

6th Grade Class Representative-Mary Fran

Forton **Alternate-**Lauren McCarthy

5th Grade Class Representative-Beatriz

Miranda **Alternate-**Audrey Gietzen

4A Class Representative-Lucy Tarachas

Alternate-Ava Saunders

4B Class Representative-Lucas O'Donnell

Alternate-Maura Brown

3A Class Representative-Carter Walkerdine

Alternate-Reghan Hoffman

3B Class Representative-Breanna Wcisel

Alternate-Clara Mailloux

2A Class Representative- Clark Tarachas

Alternate-Leah Sulitis

2B Class Representative- Evelyn Sharapova

Alternate-Katie Parker

1B Class Representative- Josephine Bielaczyc

Alternate- Cecilia Miranda

Spartan, Olesons, Campbells Soup Labels -

We are in need of parent volunteers to help with Spartan labels, Campbells Soup Labels and Oleson's

receipts. If you are interested in helping please contact the school office. Also, don't forget to turn in your receipts as we are able to receive cash and school supplies for our school.

Scrip...What is it and why do I need to know about it?

Scrip is a term that means "substitute money", (i.e. gift cards). When you purchase scrip, you're purchasing gift cards that are used just like cash. You can use scrip to purchase everyday expenses like food, clothing, and other essentials, and with every purchase, you can earn revenue towards your child's tuition. Want more information? Contact Cheryl Eberhart at 838-0196 or Lisa Pike at 539-8257.

Glen's Cash For Class- Glen's cash for class program will again be tied to your Glen's Markets 'yes' card. Yes card members need to log onto www.myyesrewards.com. Log into your account by entering your email address and password under 'returning members' and go to your "my profile" page to link your group name. If you don't have an online account set up, click "first time to site" and follow steps for registration. If not a yes member, click "Join yes" and fill out online form.

Glen's Cash for Class Event Weeks

September 20th-26th

October 18th-24th

November 22nd-28th

Upcoming dates:

10/2	HS Band Performance-Curtis Field-1:15pm and Pet Blessing-2:45 Playground
10/3	PTO Ocktoberfest-5-8pm
10/7	National walk to school day
10/9	Pink Game- Non-uniform day- Pink shirts with uniform bottoms.
10/15	3 rd Grade Raffle-Non-Uniform Day
10/16	Interim Reports Go Home
10/17	Mom to Mom Sale-Parish Hall
10/22-23	Middle School to Camp Daggett
10/30	Haunted House for Brother Dan's Food Pantry