

Friday Folder

News and Notes

September 16, 2011



MISSION MONDAY

Once a month we will offer a small item to sell to the children. We will pay for the item and the remainder of the \$1.00 will go to the Holy Childhood Association. We hope to be able to collect a little more for the Missions this year. You are to send the \$1 in an envelope with your child's name and Mission Monday. The item will be placed in that envelope and given to your child on that day. The item will NOT be available at any other time.

YEAR OF CULTURES

This year each class had been given a special culture to study. Each month they will focus on at least one aspect of that culture. There will be a culminating activity in May.

Cultures

1. Irish - Third Grade
2. German - Kindergarten
3. Italian - Fourth Grade
4. Asian - Fifth Grade and First Grade
5. African - Seventh Grade and Sixth Grade
6. British - Second Grade
7. Mexican - Eighth Grade
8. French - K3/K4

Areas of Study

- Oct - Clothing/Food
- Nov - Customs
- Dec - Religion/Education
- Jan - Economy
- Feb - Occupations
- March - Climate
- April - The Arts



FAMILY LUNCH

Our first family luncheon and open house was Wednesday September 14th for families of our 7th and 8th graders. Our next luncheon on September 28th is for the 3rd grade families. At 2:30 your child may be dismissed with you. If you have not done so already please submit your reservation ASAP.

HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING

Our first Home and School meeting for the 2011-2012 school year was Tuesday September 13th. I reviewed the 2011 ITBS scores with the parents.

VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH THE BISHOP

The conferences went off without a hitch. I am grateful to Mrs. Carey for all that she did to make this happen. Victoria Kraft, our Student Council president asked this question: "Our theme this year is "Speak Lord Your servant is Listening" Bishop when did you hear the Lord speak to you in Elementary school?"

UNIFORMS

Thank you for following our uniform code. I just want to remind you that socks are to come at least to the ankle. Your children have been reminded.

SCHOOL COUNSELOR

Mrs. Michele Tappany is our school counselor. She will be here four days each week: Monday and Wednesday in the Primary Building and Thursday and Friday in the Elementary Building.

Mrs. Tappany is here to provide services to help students with their academic, social and emotional development and to ensure that each student has the best school year possible. Please don't hesitate to call her if you feel your child needs help with a particular problem. (You can call the school number and ask to speak to Mrs. Tappany.) The counselor is available to meet with students individually and in small group settings from time to time. She is also available to parents, teachers, and other school personnel for consultation or assistance whenever needed. Information shared with the counselor is considered confidential.



The school counselor also visits classrooms and presents a variety of lessons. She will present character education lessons along with other topics designed to help students become successful learners and citizens of the world. Some of the topics that will be covered this year are: self-esteem, bullying prevention, manners, and making good choices, along with life and academic skills such as friendship, career awareness, problem solving, test-taking, and coping skills. Be sure to ask your child what is being taught in classroom guidance!

NEW Water Bottles Have ARRIVED!!!

New smaller size \$2.00