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Saint John XXIII Newsletter

Friday, September 23, 2016

Dear Saint John XXIII Community,

This seemed like the week of meetings! School Board, Volunteer Parent Committee, Harvest Fest, Room Parent and the State of the School meetings all highlighted the calendar, with some parents

telling me they were trying to go 5/5 this week by attending all of the meetings. I need to thank you to all of you who were able to attend any of these, especially those that came this morning to my State of the School Address. The crowd got updates on changes to the school in the areas of security, technology, academic programs, our STEM partnership with the University of Notre Dame, library upgrades, finances, communication changes, the work of our parent Advisory School Board and some future projects we are looking at for the community.

One of the things we did discuss is the importance of our Annual Appeal and what it means for the school. In the coming week, you will be receiving a letter home on the details of our Annual Appeal and why we have one at the school. We ask you to prayerfully consider the letter and participate in any way you can for the benefit of our students.

Thanks again for all of the support and have a wonderful weekend.

God Bless,
Preston Colao
Principal

School Notes



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Important Dates

Monday, September 26

**Market Place 6th grade
parent meeting (7:30am or
2:45pm)**

Tuesday, September 27

Fall Athletic Pictures

Wednesday, September 28

Rosary - Parish Center 8:05

Friday, September 30

Principal for a Day!

Monday, October 3

Picture Retakes

Faith in Action



Saint John XXIII Marketplace

Parent Meeting

Monday September 26th in the Library

7:30 a.m. OR 2:45 p.m.

Join us to find out what this great project is all about and to find out how YOU can support your child through the process!

Spirit of Service



Do you love to serve our Lord by helping those who need us? Do you enjoy serving with other families in our Saint John community? Do you need service hours? Then check out our 2 upcoming events we would LOVE to fill! Grab your friends and family and BE the hands and feet of Christ! **[Click here for details and to sign up!](#)**

Maggies Place

Race Day Volunteers

Sunday October 2, 2016

6:00am to 11:00am

Saint Vincent de Paul

Watkins Dining Room

420 W. Watkins Phoenix 85003

4:00 to 6:30

October 7th

Ways of Worship



Saint John XXIII Middle School Retreats

Hosted by NET Ministries

**Saint Patrick's Parish - Fenlon Hall
10815 N. 84th Street Scottsdale 85260**

6th Grade Tuesday October 4th

7th Grade Wednesday October 5th

8th Grade Thursday October 6th

8:00am to 2:30pm

Please see teacher pages for VERY IMPORTANT details!

Saint John XXIII Catholic School Community Rosary

**Join us on Friday October 7th in the courtyard at 11:40 to
pray the rosary in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary.**

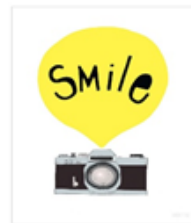
We will be led in prayer by our own Saint John XXIII students in this beautifully celebrated event. The students will be laying flowers at the foot of our Mary statue that will form the shape of the rosary in her honor. Everyone is invited..ALL are welcome!

Principal for a day



On Friday September 30 we will be delighted to welcome Mr. Chase Zufall, a second grader, as the winner of one of last year's Dinner Auction's most popular items...Principal for the Day! Look for Mr. Zufall on Friday morning as he arrives to school and prepares to spend the day in his new role.

Please stop by to say hello and take a picture with our Principal for the Day!



Catholic Education Arizona



The Catholic Education Arizona (CEA) tax credit program has made a huge difference in our community and has aided many families with a reduction in the cost of tuition. We can make such profound

strides in making Catholic education more affordable for our entire community through this program but we need you! You hold the key to making a huge difference to many by simply re-directing your tax dollars to our school this year!

Please designate St. John XXIII and ask friends and neighbors to do the same. Visit <http://www.catholiceducationarizona.org/> for more information or pick up a contribution form from the office.

School Pride

**Purchase your custom made
St. John XXIII Car Emblem today!**



Help share the love we all have for our wonderful school by proudly displaying this stylish and safe emblem on your car.

Shiny Chrome finish guaranteed to last lifetime of vehicle.

Complete with automotive grade foam tape adhesive backing - safe on cars.

Cost is only \$15.00 and profits will directly benefit the school.

Purchase a custom made Emblem from the Front Office or the Spirit Store!

Show your School Pride!

Athletics



Parents,

Fall sports are off to a good start and all of the kids are having a great time. Please remember a few of our gym rules to follow:

1. There is no food or drinks other than water allowed in the gym.
2. A child who is unsupervised and not on the team may not be in the gym. Have a great weekend!

Brett Caradonna
Athletic Director

SCRIP



It's Fall...there is a chill in the air!
(well...it is under a 100 degrees)

Pumpkin lattes are back at Starbucks. Stop by the SCRIP cart to pick up a gift card. We have, \$5, \$10, \$25, and \$50 Starbucks cards.

Scrip Sales Hours:
Monday-Thursday
7:30 – 8:15

2:30 – 3:15

Friday

7:30 – 8:15

12:15 – 1:00



It's Box Top and Labels for Education clipping time! Help our school reach our goal of collecting 15,000 Box Tops. Just by clipping Box Tops and sending them into school, we earn cash. Clip Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite products. Turn in your Box Tops to your homeroom teacher.

Nurse Notes



Dear Parents,

Local news have been mentioning an increase in the occurrence of head lice in the Scottsdale/Phoenix metro area. Since all of our students and families participate in a multitude of social activities such as sports, dance, gymnastics, theater, carpool, tutoring, babysitters, sleep overs, camping trips, church retreats, community service, vacations, with friends at other schools, you need to assume that your children are always at risk for head lice due to all the social activities and interactions of childhood. Be proactive and

check your children's hair daily for "uninvited guests" and to encourage your children not to share hats, helmets, hair brushes, clothing that goes over the head, pillows, etc. There are a lot of hair products with tea tree oil or other non-toxic ingredients that help to deter lice. Ponytails and buns are in vogue as well! Got to:

<http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/index.html>

If you have any questions please contact me.

Thank you.

Joan Sirven, RN, BSN, NCSN, School Nurse

Parish Corner



St. Bernadette 5pm Sunday Night Youth Mass will now be led by Scott Whited beginning October 2nd. The music style is contemporary and it is aimed at inviting teens and young adults to sing. If you have any questions please email Jeremy Stafford at jstafford@saintbernadette.com

Net Ministries Follow-up: October 6th

Open to 6th, 7th, & 8th grades:

Open GYM | Food | Music | Preaching | Adoration

Thursday, October 6th

5:30pm – 8:00pm

Cost: FREE! J

To RSVP go to <https://goo.gl/dsdwjM>

Keynote Speaker: Joel Stepanek has been actively and passionately involved in youth ministry for over 10 years. What began as a simple internship in a parish youth ministry office evolved into an incredible adventure that led him on numerous middle school lock ins, high school retreats, and ultimately to meet his wife, Colleen, who is a campus minister. Joel is the Director of Resource Development for Life Teen International where he creates engaging youth ministry resources for Middle and High School students. He received his Master's degree in Religious Education with an emphasis in youth and young adult ministry from Fordham University. Joel is an avid Packer fan, loves cooking, running and spending time with his wife and son, Elijah Daniel.



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