



Sacred Heart School

Parent Newsletter

Just so you know...

No School – Friday, Sept. 19th

Teachers will be attending the Catholic Educators Conference sponsored by the Diocese of Toledo.

No Extended Day Program

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In keeping with the procedures published in the Extended Day Handbook, the program is closed on those dates when Sacred Heart & Fremont City School our both closed. Coordinators Renee McNair and Jen Michael will be publicizing those dates that Extended Day will be open as a courtesy to school families.

We are Collecting for Hurricane Relief

Mrs. Morgan's 3rd grade class is sponsoring a donation drive for hurricane victims. International Service of Hope is the organization that will get our donations to those in need. Please bring items to school by Monday, September 22nd. The need is great.

Parent Meeting for 1st Reconciliation / Communion

Monday, Sept. 22nd @ 7:00 in the church.

From the Principal



Sacred Heart School – Not Just About Academics

As the new principal of your school, I have been watching and listening – gleaning information about what you think about your school. What I have discovered is that you want the school to be a place where parents and grandparents can be involved, a place where you have a part in making this a very family centered place. Because you value this kind of involvement, I can encourage volunteer opportunities. Family involvement in a child's education is a strong factor in student academic success.

However, we teach more than academics. Our desire is to emphasize those things that will help our children's faith to grow. We want to instill character traits that will enable them to meet the challenges that this generation will face. At the center of this is the Sacred Heart of Jesus and his love for all.

So how can we teach such things? If we want to awaken students to global awareness and teach them to love and respect people different from themselves, it starts with teaching them to respect the person standing beside them. In child terms, that means not pushing or kicking the next kid in line. Very soon, we will be introducing some new procedures and making a few adjustments that will help our students to have the tools of politeness and respect.

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Principal

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**Mrs. Gutschalk –
Picturing America Award
Recipient**

We are pleased to announce that Sacred Heart will be receiving social studies materials as a result of a successful grant proposal submitted by our middle school social studies teacher, Mrs. Jody Gutschalk. The award is a collection of 40 high-quality reproductions and corresponding teacher resources dealing with specific themes. This award is given by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Cub Scouts

Cub Scouts is now underway and we are rounding up any new boys in the 1st or 2nd grade interested in joining the fun. We have planned **an information /sign- up meeting at 6:30 Thursday, September 25th at St. Ann's Parish Hall.** The rest of the Scouts will join us at 7:00 for the first Pack Meeting of the new school year. If you're not sure, come and see what Scouts has to offer. There are so many things for the boys to experience throughout the school year.

**School Spirit Program
Sandusky Mall**

The School Spirit program is designed to reward shopper loyalty, and possible winnings for area schools. Every dollar you spend at the mall equals one point. Please take your Sandusky Mall and out parcel receipts to the Mall's customer service booth so they can be recorded. The receipts are immediately returned to you. The current contest session began August 1st and runs through December 31st.

**Band Begins @ SHS
Band students, please bring
your instruments.**

We will be starting our Band schedule this coming Tuesday, September 23rd. The Advanced Band will meet from 7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. and the Beginning Band will be meeting from 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. Practice will be held on the stage in the gym and will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Many thanks to St. Joseph Central Catholic Band Director, Bill Burkett for offering this opportunity to our 5th – 8th grade students.

Scholastic Book Fair

Mark your calendars now for the upcoming Scholastic Book Fair to be held October 7th – 12th. Proceeds will benefit the library. Volunteers are needed to help with the Book Fair and there is a sign-up sheet in this brown envelope. Classes will come to the Book Fair during their library time.

Kids Absent?

When your child is sick and not coming to school, please call the school nurse @ 332-5364. We keep track of all our students, even when they are out sick.

Altar Rosary Society

The Sacred Heart Altar Society is in need of a coordinator for the church cleaning schedule. Thanks to Janet Styancho who has handled this duty for several years. The current schedule is in effect until June of 2009. Please prayerfully consider this as a way to give back to the parish community. Please contact Joanne Barry at 419-332-9315 or Elaine Fisher at 419-334-8333 for more information and to answer any questions that would help you to consider taking this on.