

"Out and About"

From your All Saints Catholic Elementary School Council

April 2009

View from the Chair

The All Saints community is strong in faith and friendship. As we continue to pray for the recovery of Ms. Kendrick and Ms. Parker, we hope that they are getting stronger and that they can sense how much we truly miss them!

As you are probably aware, Mr. Pullara is now our acting Principal and most recently Mr. Di Carlo has joined the administration as the acting Vice Principal. Welcome! With the strength and commitment of these gentlemen, the transition has really been seamless.

With only 3 months of school remaining, there is still a lot happening. Our Second Annual Family **Swim Night** at Erin Meadows has been booked for **Saturday April 18** from **6:40 to 7:40 p.m.** at a cost of \$2.00 per person. What a great way to get into the mood for warmer weather! Grab your bathing suite and come join in the fun! More information will be coming out shortly.

We will also be launching a spring fundraiser. The sale of Kernels popcorn will hopefully enable the Council to reduce our shortfall and allow the school to purchase some of the budget items that were approved at the beginning of the year. If we all pitch in, this should be an easy fundraiser on all of us.

There are only 3 Council Meetings left for the year. The dates are as follows:

April 14, May 12 and June 16

Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. in the school Library with the exception of the June meeting. The location will be determined closer to the actual date. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Eva Lehman - Chair - evalehman@rogers.com

A Note from the Dads on Duty - Kiss'n Ride

Just a note to thank everyone for their cooperation during the winter season's Kiss and Ride program. We have some great Dads out there (and a great mom too) to help out, but it did go so much more smoothly with the active participation of the parents, grandparents and caregivers following directions and moving quickly (but not too quickly) to get their charges out the door.

Just a reminder that April is upon us and with that 'April Showers'. The volunteers will be out rain or shine, so we'll need your continued cooperation, especially on those rainy days. More children are dropped off on rainy days so the Kiss'n Ride gets busier. Because of this we're asking that you be sure to drive your vehicle to the very end, or as close as possible to the car ahead of you so that we can fit as many cars as possible in the space provided. Once the kids have been quickly discharged, please move on to make room for the next car.

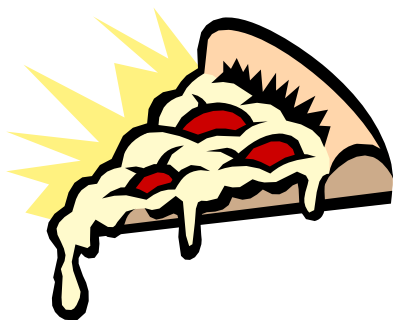
Because some days are busier, we're asking for assistance in getting the cars out quickly. While it's not mandatory, when there is a large backup of cars in the driveway, if you can possibly turn right out of the driveway rather than left, we would appreciate it. Cars turning left only add to the congestion at the school driveway entrance, but turning right would allow the flow of traffic to proceed more smoothly and be much safer for the children. By doing this courtesy for the other parents, it will, in turn help you out as well.

Thanks again for a great school season so far. We're looking forward to an awesome 3 remaining months of school!

Barry Derks - Dads on Duty & Education Chair

FANTASTIC FRIDAY UPDATE

As of March 27th, thanks to the support of staff, students, and a wonderful team of volunteers, we have raised \$3,800 for All Saints through our weekly sales of pizza. Tickets are available for \$15 for a sheet of 10 - order forms are in the office and tickets are delivered to students on Thursdays. There are about 10 dates left in the school year and once our annual Play Day date is set, we will finalize the June dates for you. Any left over tickets in June will be valid in September 2009.



EXTREME PITA UPDATE

Thank you to parents and students who helped speed up the processing time for the April 1st date by making sure orders were complete and money was attached to the order. We ordered 178 pitas for students and teachers, and since we are receiving positive feedback on this program, we will look at bringing it back in the fall. There are two more Extreme Pita dates: May 6th and June 3rd.

Susan Baird – Vice Chair

Kernels Extraordinary Popcorn

The popcorn is on order and we are looking forward to kicking off this very exciting campaign. The cases include 10 bags of white cheddar, butter and salt and air caramel.

Selling at \$2.00 per bag this offers a fun and healthy alternative to chocolate bars. The popcorn, made in a nut free facility, will be a refreshing change at the office and great to have on hand for school lunches.

As in previous fundraisers, one case will be sent home with the youngest student in the family. Please note that if you sent back the Popcorn survey indicating that you couldn't participate your child will not receive popcorn to sell. A kick off assembly is in the works at which time we will be introducing some great incentives to motivate the students to sell.

We look forward to a great campaign and would like to thank you in advance for your support. More information will be sent home soon.

Carolyn Simpson - Fundraising

Easter Treats

The Easter Bunny will be hopping over with chocolate treats for our students. Watch and listen for him just before we break for Easter. Enjoy!



*We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a blessed **Faster**.
God Bless.*

