

St. Anne News

January 26, 2010

Dear Parents,

By now I think most of you know our Fund-a-Need for this year's auction is tuition assistance for our own St. Anne families. What a great opportunity for all of us! For many years we have used our Fund-a-Need monies to enhance the school and its programs. Due to the economy and its effect on many of our families, this year we are stepping away from that concept and directing our efforts to our mission of providing a quality Catholic education for any parish family that desires it for their children regardless of their ability to pay the full cost of tuition. This year our requests for financial aide went from approximately \$30,000 to \$67,000. While all of our families are subsidized due to the fact that tuition does not cover the full cost of educating a student, you would be surprised if you sat on my side of the desk to find out the number of families that need additional help at this time. You have been great role models for your children in teaching them to help others. We have provided financial assistance to other Catholic schools, built a school in Tanzania, and are helping with the orphanage in Ghana just to mention a few. But now, we need to turn inward and help the families in our own community.

In today's packet, you will find your reenrollment forms. We have worked on our preliminary budget and made a concerted effort to keep our tuition increase as low as we could. You will notice it is just shy of a 4.4% increase. This will allow us to keep all of the excellent programs we have in place and provide raises for the teachers and staff. Using Fund-a-Need for tuition assistance keeps us from taking money from our operating budget and having to cut back on anything that is already in place. In talking to many of the principals in our deanery, they have had to cut back on staff and programs. We have been very fortunate in this economy to keep everything operating at the same quality level. Your contributions to Fund-a-Need will ensure this continues.

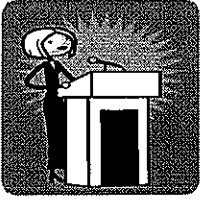
Congratulations to our St. Anne Speech Team. They placed third in the city at the Seattle Prep Speech Meet. We are very proud of their accomplishments. Please note the information on the back of my newsletter regarding student success.

Also, enclosed in today's packet is a daily schedule for the festivities we have planned for Catholic Schools' Week. Please read through it carefully. You won't want to miss out on the activities.

Have a good week!

Sincerely,

Pat



CONGRATULATIONS SPEECH TEAM!

Here are the results from Seattle Prep! *Many congratulations* to all who participated and *bravo* to those who placed – you are all winners!

Seattle Prep Tournament – January 23, 2010

Senior Division – 8th grade only

Oratory

2nd Place: Stephanie Kissel

Finalist: Fran Reeves

Editorial Commentary

3rd Place: Samantha Driscoll

Humorous Reading

Finalist: Tyler Landry

Finalist: Natalie Platt

Dramatic Reading

Finalist: Ruby Rivamonte

Expository

2nd Place: Ian Peterson

Impromptu

Finalist: Tyler Landry

Junior Division – 7th grade only

Impromptu

1st Place: Sam Hunter

3rd PLACE SCHOOL OVERALL: St. Anne School!!!

Notes from Laura
Week of January 25, 2010

Dates to Remember

January 27 2:00 dismissal for faculty meeting
January 29 Free dress
January 31 Catholic Schools' Week begins; Mass, 10:00 am
Open House, 11: 30 am – 1:00 pm

Looking Ahead

February 1 Thanks-a-Latte (*please see enclosed flyer*)
Speech Team practice/ coaching 7:00 pm
February 2 Mid-term grades sent home, grades 2 through 8
February 3 Grandparents' / Special Friend Day Mass, 10:30 am (*prepared by 8th grade*)
February 5 Volleyball game, 8th grade vs. faculty, 1:30 pm
February 6 Eastside Speech Team Tournament, 8:00 am – 6:00 pm

Re-enrollment materials for our current kindergarten through grade 7 families are in today's packet. The due date for their completion and return to the school office will be February 12. Please remember that there is a \$50 late fee charged to families whose materials are not in the school office by that due date.

If you choose to send your completed materials to school with your student, please be sure that they know the everything must be given to me by the 12th and is not in their backpack, desk or locker.

If you are a St. Anne parishioner who will be requesting a tuition review, please carefully read the instructions for submitting the online Fulcrum Foundation tuition assistance grant by following this link: <http://www.fulcrumfoundation.org> Follow the instructions for Grant Application. If you have any questions about the reenrollment process, please fee free to call or e-mail me. Thank you.

If you weren't able to attend last Thursday's Pre-K and Kindergarten Information Night, please stop by the school office to pick up your registration packets. Their return due date is Friday, February 5.

Please remember to send sack lunches to school next Wednesday for your student and their grandparent or special adult friend. Students and their special guests will enjoy lunch together that day following the 10:30 Mass. Hot lunch will not be served that day.

Please check both sides of all enclosures.

Catholic Schools' Week 2010
St. Anne School
“Be Not Afraid: Listen, Learn, Lead”

“Christian education is intended to make children’s faith become living, conscious, and active through the light of instruction. The Catholic school is the unique setting within which this ideal can be realized in the lives of all children and young people.”
- *To Teach as Jesus Did*, November 1972, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

Catholic Schools’ Week is coming the week of **January 31st – February 5th** . We have a week of fun-filled activities planned to celebrate our school and mission. We would like to extend an invitation to you to attend any or all events listed below that we have planned for the week.

SUNDAY – JANUARY 31st - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS’ WEEK MASS & OPEN HOUSE: Please join us for our 10:00 am Sunday Liturgy where we celebrate our school with the Parish community. Following Mass we will have our annual Open House from 11:30-1:00pm. Students are encouraged to wear their uniforms to Mass and visit their teacher in their classroom. We also encourage you to visit your child’s “next year’s” classroom to get an idea of what’s ahead.

MONDAY – FEBRUARY 1st - PARENT APPRECIATION DAY: We have the most wonderful parents at St. Anne School. Today is the day to thank them for all the sacrifices they make to send their children to a Catholic School. Be sure to join us at our Prayer Assembly as we take time to give thanks for our parents. Also, stop by our “Thanks a Latte” cart located in the Banchero Hall lobby for a complimentary beverage before or after the Prayer Assembly.

TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 2nd - COMMUNITY APPRECIATION DAY: St. Anne School is blessed to have the support of the Queen Anne community. They help meet our needs in a variety of ways. Whether it’s free coffee for meetings, donating auction items or volunteering in our classrooms, we receive a tremendous amount of support from our neighborhood businesses. Today, small posters made as a school “Families” project will be delivered by the 5th and PreK grade classes to Queen Anne area businesses.

WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 3rd - GRANDPARENT/SPECIAL FRIEND DAY: The relationship between a child and grandparent is very special. Today we celebrate that relationship by inviting our grandparents (or a special “grand” friend) to Mass and to share lunch with their grandchild/ren. Students will bring a special sack lunch for each of their guests and one for themselves. Grandparents/Special Friends can begin picking up their grandchild/ren at 10:15 am for Mass at 10:30 am.

THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 4th - PARISH APPRECIATION DAY: St. Anne is a parish school. Parishioners provide vital financial and moral support to the school. Today we honor our parish staff and thank them for their commitment to our school

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 5th - STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY: FREE DRESS, longer recesses, an all-school “read-in” and a special treat provided by Mrs. Durand will all be part of this fun-filled day. At 1:30pm the faculty will challenge the 8th grade to the annual volleyball game. School should be like this every day! Today we honor our most important asset...our students.

“The Catholic school strives to relate all human culture eventually to the news of salvation, so that the life of faith will illumine the knowledge which students gain of the world, of life, and of mankind.”
- *To Teach as Jesus Did*, November 1972, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

January Parent Connection Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2010

In attendance: Kaarn Dempsey, Pat Durand, Kim Halvorsen, Jennifer Hazzard, Mary Pat Iaci, Janaan Kippes, Kelly Nolan Shafer, Erin Oest Larsen, Mary Sherman, Carol Yund

The meeting was opened with a prayer at 8:40 a.m.

The December meeting minutes were approved as written.

Principal's Report - Pat Durand

Pat said the NAAS (Northwest Association of Accredited Schools) report would be given this Friday, January 15th. Catholic Schools Week planning is done. Grandparent/Special Friend Day will be Mass and lunch instead of a cake reception. Students will bring a brown bag lunch for each of their grandparents or special guest. High School applications have been mailed from the office. Letters of acceptance will arrive the weekend of February 13th. Pre-K and Kindergarten Information Night is next week, January 21st. The two groups will be split to give pertinent information to each group. Re-enrollment will be going out at the end of January. There will be approximately a 4.4% increase in tuition.

School Commission - Kelly Nolan Shafer

Kelly reported the School Commission would meet next Wednesday, January 20th at 6:30 pm. Task forces have been meeting and will meet at the School Commission meeting to continue work on the Five Year Plan.

Parent Association - Jennifer Hazzard

Jennifer reported the Book Club discussion date has been set for February 24th. The book that has been selected is "Unwritten Rules of Friendship". Pat thanked the Parent Association for the wonderful Christmas lunch they hosted for the teachers and staff.

Scrip - Donna Tracey

Donna was unable to attend. Pat reported the profit from Scrip paid for the new carpet on the lower and main floors of the school. The carpet is made up of squares that can be replaced if stained.

Auction - Jannan Kippes

Jannan reported the kick-off auction meeting took place at Monica Brown's home. Goals, budget and details of production were discussed. The children's program was discussed and new ideas suggested; cake walk, Jones soda toss and other games. Ticket prices will remain the same as last year with a discount if purchased early. The goal is to make \$185,000. The wine raffle and

mini St. Anne directories were discussed. Parent procurement forms were going home in the packets today. Each class will be making a cross to be auctioned. It was suggested that Kindergarten create an art project each year that would be put away until that class is in 8th grade.

Erin announced the parish Shamrock Fest is March 13th.

Development and Fundraising - Mary Pat Iaci and Erin Oest-Larsen

The "topic" for the meeting was *What is the Development Office and Why is it Important to the Success of the School*. Erin and Mary Pat shared with the group their job responsibilities and what is internal and external fundraising and why it is important to have both. Money raised by both Development and Fundraising goes to the operating budget and endowment, which is critical to keep tuition down. Erin spoke about all the steps that go into a successful auction and Mary Pat shared the importance of keeping in touch with our alumni and greater community. There was time for questions before the meeting adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Pat Iaci

To Our Wonderful Parents

*Thank you God for everything!
For the gift of our school Parents
For the love and support of our school Parents
For the kindness of our school Parents
For the spiritual wisdom gained from our St. Anne Families
For the courage of our school Parents to act where needed
For the laughter of their children
For the strength we've gained from our school Parents
For the opportunities we've had to teach their children
Thank you Parents for everything!*

Join Us for "Thanks a Latte"

Monday, February 1, 2010

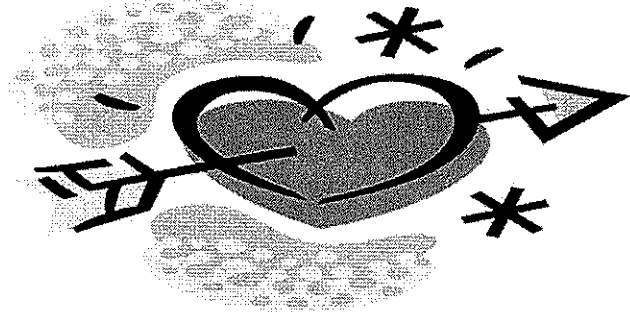
Before and After the Monday morning Prayer Assembly
(We will serve lattes from 8:15 am until 9:00 am in the lobby of Banchemo Hall)

A special Prayer Assembly for parents begins at 8:30 a.m.
Banchemo Hall

With Gratitude
St. Anne School, faculty, staff and students



FEBRUARY 2010



Happy Valentine's Day!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Mac N Cheese Green Peas Choice of Fruit	2 Waffle Sticks Sausages Choice of Fruit	3 SACK LUNCH DAY	4 Popcorn Chicken Veggies & Dip Choice of Fruit	5 Beef Nachos Corn Niblets Choice of Fruit
8 Mac N Cheese Green Peas Choice of Fruit	9 Waffle Sticks Sausages Choice of Fruit	10 Bagel Pizza Green Salad Choice of Fruit	11 Popcorn Chicken Veggies & Dip Choice of Fruit	12 Beef Nachos Corn Niblets Choice of Fruit
15 N O S C H O O L	16 S C H O O L	17 - W I N T E R B R E A K ! !	18	19
22 Mac N Cheese Green Peas Choice of Fruit	23 Waffle Sticks Sausages Choice of Fruit	24 Bagel Pizza Green Salad Choice of Fruit	25 Popcorn Chicken Veggies & Dip Choice of Fruit	26 Beef Nachos Corn Niblets Choice of Fruit

----- cut here -----

LUNCH CARD ORDER FORM STA

Buy 10 Lunches for \$40.00 / Buy 20 Lunches for \$80.00

Child's Name: _____ Grade _____ # of Lunches: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade _____ # of Lunches: _____

Child's Name: _____ Grade _____ # of Lunches: _____

Make Payment to: **Queen Ann Catering** Please turn into school office.

Tel: 206-282-9595 / Email: queenanncatering@comcast.net

LUNCH NEWS

by Queen Ann Catering



FEBRUARY 2010

DID YOU KNOW? - FEBRUARY 2010 MENU DETAILS^{STA}

MONDAY: MAC N CHEESE - Our Mac N Cheese is Homemade with evaporated milk and shredded Jack & Cheddar cheeses. We make it on the stove (not baked) so it's served creamy and hot! Served with colorful Green Peas & Choice of Fruit. **This is a Vegetarian Friendly Lunch!**

TUESDAY: WAFFLE STICKS - Everyone loves Breakfast for Lunch, and the Belgian WAFFLE STICKS are a real favorite! Served warm and crispy - Maple Syrup on the side. Choose between Sausages **OR YOGURT CUP FOR VEGETARIANS—(NOT NECESSARY TO REQUEST THIS AT SIGN-UP)**. Served with choice of fruit.

WEDNESDAY: BAGEL PIZZA - Our Bagel Pizza is made with 1/2 of a Jumbo Bagel, topped with Pizza Sauce and 3-cheese Pizza Cheese - baked just until melted and bubbling! Served with a Green Salad with Croutons & choice of dressing, and Fresh Fruit. **This is a Vegetarian Friendly Lunch!**

THURSDAY: POPCORN CHICKEN—A favorite by far—served with lots of dipping condiments! We will be trying out different fresh cut veggies in addition to the usual mini carrots & celery sticks—such as Red Pepper Spears, Broccoli Florets & Cucumber Coins—try some! Served with choice of fruit.

FRIDAY: BEEF NACHOS - NEW TO THE LUNCH PROGRAM! The Beef Nachos are made with a generous portion of Corn Tortilla Chips (no hydrogenated oils), topped with "grass fed" ground beef, seasoned with Taco Seasoning (NO MSG!), then covered with Cheddar Cheese - and baked in the oven until the cheese is melted over the Chips! - Ole! Sour Cream and Salsa available on the condiment table. Served with Corn Niblets and Choice of Fruit. **For Vegetarian version, simply order the Nachos as Cheese Only at the time of sign-up.**

ALTERNATE LUNCH CHOICE available daily: CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD LUNCH served with crisp Tortilla Chips and Fresh Fruit.

ALA CARTE available daily: PLAIN or BLUEBERRY BAGEL with choice of Regular or Strawberry Cream Cheese. (1/2 the cost of a regular lunch)

For additional information on the Menu Items,
please contact Ann @ 206-282-9595 -OR- Email: queenanncatering@comcast.net