



Saint Brendan Parish School News

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Catholic Schools Celebrate Service

Important Dates

Sept. 17	Band Demonstration 8:30 AM for Grades 5-8 Technology Meeting 7 PM Speech Club Student & Parent Meeting 7 PM
Sept. 18	School Commission 7 PM
Sept. 19	School Mass 9 AM
Sept. 23	5th Grade EE Parent Meeting 6:30 PM
Sept. 24	Speech Club Student Meeting 3:00 PM
Sept. 30	Beginning Band 7:30 AM
Oct. 1	Development Meeting 7:00 PM
Oct. 2	Advanced Band 7:30 AM
Oct. 3	Noon Dismissal Non-Uniform Day
Oct. 6	Chess Club Student and Parent Informational Meeting 3:00-4:00 PM
Oct. 7	Student Health Screening
Oct. 9	PTO Meeting 7:00 PM

Altar Servers

We would like to acknowledge the following students who are serving Mass on 9/20 and 9/21:

PTO Volunteer Corner

Help Wanted
Scrip Volunteers Needed: Scrip Volunteers are needed NOW!! We have more than doubled our Standing Orders from last year during just the first three weeks of school. We need help filing orders and other clerical chores. If you can commit to 1-2 hours a week to help out please contact

Craft Fair Help Wanted – Publicity Chair : Are you interested in coordinating announcements about the St. Brendan's Craft Fair in magazines, websites, church bulletins & local organizations? Do you like to make signs & flyers? If so, join the promotions efforts and become the **Publicity Chair!** Please contact

Health Screening Volunteers Needed: Additional volunteers are needed to assist with the St. Brendan Health Screening which is being held on Tuesday, October 7th and Tuesday, October 28th. If you are interested, please contact

Help Needed: Do you have welding equipment and the skills to do some desk repairs? Some of the metal tube student desks have broken and need some welding. Please contact the school if you can help. Thanks, **Mr. Callen**

If you have an item for the bulletin please email it to bulletin@saintbrendan.org AND Thank you!

Principal News

Virtue and Saint of the Month: In Religion class, students are learning about virtues, specifically charity this month. The saint we selected to represent this virtue is Blessed Mother Teresa. We have books and videos about Blessed Mother Teresa to share with our students. There is a poster in each classroom displaying the virtue and saint of the month.

Children's Holy Hour: All students will participate in a Children's Holy Hour on Friday, October 3rd from 9:15 to 10:15. Our 7th grade students will lead the school in prayer and reciting the Rosary.

Cross-Grade Families: Students will gather in their cross-age families for the first time on Friday, October 3rd. The 8th grade family student leaders will introduce their student family to their service organization.

Study Hall: Students received the Study Hall policy and permission form last week. Each student and parent in 4th through 8th grade needs to sign the form and return it to his/her homeroom teacher. Study Hall began this past Monday.

Curriculum Night: Our information night last Friday night was well-attended, and parents enjoyed hearing the specifics of each classroom. Thank you for attending and knowing the textbooks being used and policies of your child's classroom.

Carpool: Thank you for making carpool run smoothly. The parents, students, and school staff are diligent in having a safe system. Please do not have your child/children in your carpool stand in between or behind your car to place their items in the trunk.

Spanish Class: Registration forms are available in the office. Cost for this program is paid directly to the provider. Spanish class begins Tuesday, October 28th from 3:00 to 3:50PM. Spanish class will take place every Tuesday and Thursday after school.

Grant Writing: Leanne Thomas (8th grade parent) is beginning to research grant applications which would benefit our school. We are looking for technology grants to begin with and then will venture into art and music, classroom desks, and other building improvements. If you are interested in grant writing, have resources or specific items to focus on, please contact Leanne at lmorrowthomas@gmail.com. Since she has an 8th grader (Lauren), it would be helpful for someone to step up to continue the grant writing process.

Earthquake Drill: We are working on a date-sometime between October 1st and the 10th. Please thank Tim Schwartz when you see him for his many hours with emergency preparedness. It is almost a full-time job!

Entertainment Book Fundraiser

Final 3 days to sell the Entertainment book! More are available from Adele. Top 3 sellers receive \$50 bonus PTO fundraising credit (every book sold receives credit). Fundraiser ends **this Friday, Sept 22nd**. Return all money, orders and unsold books to the office by the end of the school day. Thanks to all for helping fundraise for St. Brendan School!



Auction in Action COME SAIL WITH US

Saturday March 7, 2009

Marriott Redmond Town Center

Keep bringing in your procured items. Exciting things keep coming in. We have a getaway package to Leavenworth which includes a two night stay at the Best Western Icicle Inn, river rafting and gift certificates to several local restaurants! A tip for procuring: **ask those you know.** Does the company you work for support charitable giving? Ask them to donate products, activities, and cash is always appreciated! What are your hobbies as well as those of your friends and family? When thinking about a donation ask yourself two questions. How am I blessed? How can I share my blessings with the school? If you still need ideas, contact **Eileen** our procurement chair and she will give you some sure bet contacts that will help you meet your quota. We are also in need of large boxes with handles. If you have any you can spare, please bring them to the PTO room and label them " auction". **Questions? Ideas? Contact Kate or Cathy**

Scrip Standing Orders

If you submit a standing order **before September 30** you will be entered to win a **\$50 gift certificate.** Standing order forms can be printed from the school web site. **Make Scrip a habit!** **10% Back to Schools:** Check your **Safeway receipts** from now through October 6 for a redemption code, then turn in **just one receipt** with the code. All receipts must be turned in by October 13 and can be dropped off at the school office or sent through the Wednesday envelope to Scrip. Thank you!

Recess Duty Volunteers

Wow! What a great response we've had for the sign up for recess duty volunteers this year!! Thank you to the many families that signed up for THE WHOLE YEAR all at once! We now have a "more the merrier" outlook towards recess duty helpers so, if you happen to be passing by the school around noon time (recess duty is from 11:50 - 1:00) and feel like stopping in to see the kids in action, please feel free to sign in at the office and go help out on the playground. What a fun way to get your volunteer hours in! If you have any questions regarding recess duty - please contact **Tonia**

Saint Brendan Speech Team



If you are a 6th, 7th, or 8th grade student with a gift for gab or would like to learn the skills of a polished public speaker or actor, then come join the St. Brendan Speech Team. An informational meeting will be held tonight, **Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 7:00 PM** in the Music room. Tournaments are Saturday, December 13, January 24, and February 7th. Parents, please let me know if you would be willing to help coach a couple of students. This is a great way to earn volunteer hours. Please contact **Brett** .



Calling All Chessmen

St. Brendan Chess season is about to begin. Chess is open to all students Kindergarten thru 8th grade who play chess at any level. There will be an **informational meeting Monday, October 6**, after school in the Library for all interested players and their parents. Practices begin Monday, Oct 13, from 3:00 to 4:00 in the Library and run thru Mid-April. For more information contact **Desiree**.

CYO CORNER



Congratulations to 3rd Grade Girl's Soccer

Congratulations to the 3rd grade girl's soccer team who started off the season with a great win against St. Alphonsus/St. Johns. It was a complete game victory as scored her first shut-out in goal, and the rest of the girls put up a 5-spot on St. Alphonsus/St. Johns for 5 – 0 win. The girl's had been preparing hard for this first game, as it paid off in a big way on Saturday. **Great Job Girls!!!**

Cross Country News



It's not too late to join the **St. Brendan's Cross Country Team.** Practice's are every Monday and Thursday from 5-6pm. The season will run through the week of October 12th. The first of three meets will be **Sunday, September 28th**

Attention CYO coaches:

CYO and the Archdiocese of Seattle has mandated changes that affect anyone who coaches kids here at Saint Brendan. Going forward, coaches **must be certified with Play Like A Champion Training and Safe Environment training** to be a head or assistant coach. Saint Brendan will be penalized for not having certified coaches and the program could suffer. Each training is 3 hours and each lasts for 2 years. The CYO Athletic committee will be collecting and maintaining the data on the certifications. The CYO Athletic Committee at Saint Brendan will also pay for all the PLACT training which is \$30 each. CYO is attempting to hold both types of training in November at Saint Brendan to accommodate anyone who is interested in coaching this year. If you will not be able to attend the November trainings, then you must take them at a neighboring parish or downtown at the CYO offices. Please keep in mind that all our sports, cross country, soccer, volleyball, basketball and baseball coaches will need this training. If anyone has questions regarding these new changes, please feel free to call or talk to anyone of the CYO board members.

Sally Foster Fundraiser

Runs through Monday Sept 22nd

Important Note: There is NO minimum order requirement so NO NEED to buy out of this fundraiser.

Delivery is on **October 30th and 31st** during conferences. Orders can be taken using the order form that was sent home or online. Go to www.SallyFoster.com and use the St Brendan account # 305580 to sign up and send emails to friends & relatives. There is **FREE shipping** on online orders of \$70 or more. The online orders are shipped directly to the buyer's address and get there earlier. For questions-contact **Anna**



PRAYER VIGIL AT KENNEDY HIGH SHOOOL ON THE ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY FOR GLORIA STRAUSS

Please join people from all communities on **Saturday, September 27th from 7:30-9:30pm** in the Kennedy High School Gymnasium for an inspiring evening of prayer. Sponsored by **Gloria's Angels Foundation**, the night will include music from St. Vincent's Life Teen band, reflections, a reading from Jerry Brewer's book, Rosary and fellowship. We are gathering to remember the life of Gloria Strauss, her impact on many faith communities, and to continue to Glorify God through her example of Faith and Hope.