



Parent Newsletter

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Coming Events

Sept. 26-Student Council Commissioning Assembly, 9:45 AM

Sept. 29-Seventh Grade Overnight hike.

Sept. 30-Seventh Grade returns from hike.

Sept. 30-Last Turn-In Day for Magazines!

Oct. 1-After school Spanish begins today!

Oct. 2-Auction meeting, 8:45 in Red Building.

Mass of Guardian Angels, Gr. 3, 10:30 at IC Church. Father Dalton presiding.. Marketing Committee meets after school at 5:45.

Oct. 3-Set up for PTO Bazaar, 5 to 9 PM.

Oct. 4-PTO Craft Bazaar at St. Joseph Center from 8AM to 6 PM. Plan to come for Christmas shopping, breakfast or lunch! Help still needed.

OCT. 6-No after school Drama Club today.

REMINDERS:

- ◇ Return Handbook Agreement Form
- ◇ Re-enroll your Haggen Card and Safeway cards!

FREE DRESS on Monday, Oct. 6 for 7th and 8th grade students who help set up and clean up for the PTO Craft Bazaar on Oct. 4!

DRAMA CLUB NOTICE-

There will be no After School Drama Club on Mon., Oct. 6.

GREETINGS FROM THE PRINCIPAL, MRS. CARTEE

At ICRS we rejoice in the presence of the Divine in our lives. As a Catholic community, we strive to recognize the workings of God in the daily activities of our lives. Being Catholic means living in the realm of sacraments and sacramentals, and as St. Ignatius tells us, *to see God in all things.*

This year we have preschoolers around all day due to our expanded Extended Care program. To see these tiny children with their big smiles and hear their joyful exclamations such as "You're the Office Lady!", becomes a sacramental moment for me. Any event in our lives that draws us inward can be such a moment for us. We pray for the "Kingdom to come" in the Lord's Prayer. As we begin to recognize God's constant presence through sacramental moments, we indeed realize that the Kingdom is at hand!

AUCTION 2009-A Night in Little Italy-March 21-It is never too early to begin thinking about procuring an item for the auction! Think creatively of an item or service you might like to buy at the auction. That can lead you to what you give to the auction. There will be an AUCTION PLANNING MEETING on Thursday, Oct. 2 at 8:45 in the Red Building. All committee chairs, please plan to attend or have a member of your committee attend.

MAGAZINE SALE—Make It Happen! We have one more turn in day for the magazine sale-September 30, Tuesday! Sell over the week-end and turn in on Tuesday. Everyone who turns in at least 3 subscriptions on Tuesday gets to go to a Bingo Party! Students will receive one bingo sheet for every order turned in. Our goal this year is \$25,000 in sales—presently we are at \$15,727.

A special thank you to Stephanie Holmberg and Julie Wells for heading up the Magazine Sale this year!

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL-The nearest high school to us is Archbishop Thomas J. Murphy in south Everett. Every year a few of our graduates attend ABMHS. The school will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 2 from 12:00-4:00 PM. They invite our 8th grader students to visit their campus to spend a school day any time after October 13. Also, a group of students will visit our 7th and 8th grade students here in October.

DROP OFF CHILDREN-NOT BEFORE 8:15-Children dropped off before 8:15 need to go to Extended Care as there is no supervision until that time.

ROOM PARENTS-There are 3 parents who take the lead to provide our students with parties for holidays, celebrate the teacher's birthday, represent the class at PTO, as well as provide an auction project from the class. All parents in the class support these 3 parents by donating items, attending PTO events, and helping with the auction project.

PLAYGROUND DUTIES-Thanks to the many wonderful parents who are helping us before school and during the noon hour. If you wish to help, please call Julie Wells. We always need substitutes.

FOOD ALLERGIES-We have several students at ICRS with food allergies. In sensitivity to their needs, teachers are taking precautions to keep them safe. Please remind your children to wash their hands thoroughly after eating peanut butter sandwiches and other products with nuts.

7TH GRADE HIKE-As part of our Environmental Education program, our 7th grade do an overnight hike to Baker Lake. They study old growth ecology and grow in their appreciation of nature. We thank teachers Mr. Bell and Mrs. Rutherford as well as chaperones Doug Dimock, Brian Egner, Kevin Campbell, Katie Janicki, Frank Sosa and Mark Walsh.