

# Friday Flier



St. Augustine School † A school you can have faith in † [www.staug-md.org](http://www.staug-md.org) † October 9, 2009

**Parents...When you are checking your child's attendance in Parent Access please note that "A" means absent, "L" means "left early," and "T" means tardy.** If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Franchy in the office.

**Important...If your child is going to be out sick, you now must call or e-mail the school nurse at [nurse@staug-md.org](mailto:nurse@staug-md.org).** If the nurse is not available by phone, please be sure to leave her a voicemail. In your e-mail/voicemail, please be sure to include your child's name and symptoms. The Health Department now requires us to report all flu-like symptoms to them on a weekly basis.

**Wanted: Part-time School Nurse...**One of our nurses, Mrs. Soares, is having a baby due in late December. We are looking to hire a part-time nurse to work 1 day per week to fill in for Mrs. Soares while she is on maternity leave. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Schratz as soon as possible.

**Scrip Scoop...**We are in need of volunteers to sell Scrip every other Wednesday morning. This is an easy way to earn volunteer hours! Please contact Mrs. Schoenbeck at 410-796-2214 to volunteer.

**SALE...We have several Bennigan's cards (\$25) available for purchase for \$12.50 each.** The Bennigan's in Glen Burnie is still open. Please call the school office if you would like to purchase a card.

**Volunteers are needed for the Family Dinner on Friday, October 23.** If you would like to volunteer to set up, serve food, work the cash register, or clean up, please contact Mrs. Mobley at [smobley@staug-md.org](mailto:smobley@staug-md.org). This is a great way to earn volunteer hours!



**Tickets for Halloween Bingo are selling fast!** Please order your tickets soon if you plan to attend this fun-filled family event sponsored by the HSA on **Friday, October 30**. The cost is \$6 per person. Please send your check to school in an envelope labeled "Halloween Bingo." Doors open at 6 PM and Bingo begins at 7 PM.

**Do you have a family member, friend, co-worker or neighbor looking for a Catholic school for their child?** Please encourage them to stop by our Open House on Tuesday, October 13, 20 or 27 from 9-11 AM. Remember...if you refer a new family to SAS and they remain in the school for one full school year, you will receive a **\$500 tuition credit**.

Monday, October 12

Columbus Day

Tuesday, October 13

Open House for prospective families, 9-11 AM  
Autumn Day Activity  
Cross Country Practice, 3:45-4:30 PM (Grades 6-8)  
Cheerleading Practice, 6 PM



Wednesday, October 14

Viability Team Visit, 8 AM-5 PM  
Middle School Study Hall, 3:45-4:45 PM, Science Lab (*no siblings, please*)  
Guitar Lab (*Grades 5-8; registration required*), 3:45-4:30 PM,  
Piano Lab (*Grades K & 1; registration required*), 3:40-4:05 PM

Thursday, October 15

**EARLY DISMISSAL - Teacher Work Day (after care available)**  
Buddy Writing Project

Friday, October 16

**NO FIT CLUB OR CROSS COUNTRY PRACTICE**  
**SCHOOL CLOSED - Faculty Retreat**



## *From Mrs. Schratz...*

Please read the attached article if you have not already done so. It clearly and powerfully articulates the value of Catholic schools to those children who are fortunate enough to have a Catholic education as well as to the church and society as a whole. The best marketers of our school are the parents and children who attend our school. I commend you for the sacrifices you are making to give your children the best education possible and I urge you to share your experience with catholic education with your fellow parishioners and neighbors whose children attend public schools.

His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI declared June 19, 2009 to June 19, 2010 as the Year of the Priest. Here at St. Augustine School the students are praying for Fr. Bowen and the seminarians of the archdiocese. The first Student Council fundraiser will be to support the education of a seminarian in the Ukraine, where the church is recovering from years of persecution under Communism. The children will soon be participating in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for vocations.

On Wednesday, October 14, Mrs. Jan Peck from the schools office of the archdiocese and three principals will be visiting our school to make its report to the Archdiocesan Blue Ribbon Committee. They will be talking with administration, faculty, students and parents. They will also be visiting classrooms and speaking informally to students and parents at arrival, dismissal, lunch and recess. I am looking forward to showing off our school and sharing all the great things that we are doing at St. Augustine's!

This week the students of PK4 through grade 8 will be working together on a fall writing project. They will be doing a number of activities related to fall and then writing poems. We are looking forward to some very creative haikus, tritinas, free verse and tonkas. Some of the poetic devices that the students will use include alliteration, assonance, consonance, onomatopoeia, rhyme, and symbolism.

