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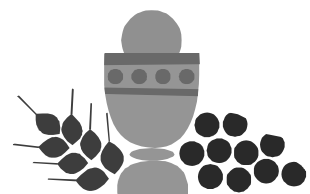
Next Thursday we bid farewell to Mrs. Miller. I know the fourth grade students as well as the faculty and staff will really miss her. We wish her well in her new role as mother. I know she will appreciate our prayers for a safe and easy delivery and most importantly for a happy, healthy baby boy. We welcome Mrs. Cannon who will be taking over the fourth grade until the end of the school year. Mrs. Cannon has worked with the fourth grade on a number of occasions and holds a credential to teach elementary school in the state of Maryland. She has been a member of our school community for the past six years.

I am extremely pleased to announce that Ms. Katie Sofio will be joining our faculty as next year's fourth grade teacher. Ms. Sofio is currently teaching 5th grade at Northwoods Catholic School in Spring, Texas. She is a recent graduate of Franciscan University in Ohio. Ms. Sofio is one of over a dozen Operation Teach teachers in the archdiocese of Baltimore, where she will be living in community and working on her Masters of Education at the College of Notre Dame. Ms. Sofio comes to us with the highest recommendations. She is very enthusiastic, professional, and deeply committed to the ministry of Catholic education. I am very excited for you and the children to meet her.

Our school community is blessed with a huge group of dedicated and hard working volunteers. This year only two families out of 177 have not served any volunteer hours. This is a remarkable display of commitment and generosity. It was a pleasure to honor our volunteers at dinner this past Wednesday night. Although only a small portion of our volunteers were able to attend, we were so appreciative of the opportunity to express our gratitude. We extend a very special thank you to the following families who have donated over 100 volunteer hours this school year: **The Byer's, Gretz's, Jadik's, Munter's, Peyla's, Quick's, Ricciutti's, Schallmo's, Schoenbeck's, Schuman's, Stanitski's and Zaranski's.** I would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to a very special volunteer. Sr. Suzanne has helped the fourth grade, teaching religion and good penmanship every week. She assists Mrs. Claytor with assessing the reading progress of our first grade and offers to help in many ways. I am especially grateful for her witness as a School Sister of Notre Dame and the prayer support she provides for all of us in the school community.

~Mrs. Patricia Schratz, Principal

Saturday, May 9	First Holy Communion
Monday, May 11	Field Trip, Pre-K Band concert for school, 2:25 PM
Wednesday, May 13	Field Trip, K Student Council Meeting, 3:30-4:15 PM Middle School Study Hall, 3:30-4:30 PM Guitar Lab Piano Lab
Thursday, May 14	School Mass May Procession Second Grade First Holy Communion Celebration
Friday, May 15	SCHOOL CLOSED - Professional Day



Congratulations to the following new Home & School Association Officers and Executive Committee Members: Mrs. Deborah Goodman (President), Mr. Jim Schneck (Vice President), Mrs. Janet Peyla (Secretary), Mrs. Debbie Schallmo (Treasurer), Mrs. Christine Mour (Member), Mrs. Terry Hillock (Member), Mr. Rob Blackwell (Member), Mrs. Joseline Castanos (Member). We look forward to a very successful 2009-2010 school year under their guidance and leadership! We would like to extend a very special thank you to the outgoing HSA Officers and Executive Committee who donated countless hours of their time and talent this school year: Mrs. Lisa Filar, Ms. Shari Sudano, Mrs. Connie McDonnell, Mrs. Carole Bailey, Mrs. Leah Ricciuti, Mrs. Jennifer Whitehead and Mrs. Jackie Kelly.



Congratulations St. Augustine School! We surpassed our goal and raised \$1,536.50 for our school this year in the Box Tops for Education program.

Thanks to everyone for their collection efforts. The Spring Box Tops Contest has come to a close with a total of \$344.10 collected. **The winning class is Sixth Grade.** They will have extra recess and brownies. **Kindergarten came in second place and fourth grade in third place.** Keep collecting box tops and look for a fun collection sheet to keep your box tops safe and ready to go over the summer for the Fall Pizza Party Contest. **A very special thank you to Mrs. Joseline Castanos for doing such a wonderful job coordinating the Box Tops program this year!**

Volunteers are still needed for the School's Out! Supper on Friday, May 22. This is a great, fun way to finish up your hours for this year--or get a jumpstart on next year's hours! Volunteers are particularly needed for set-up beginning at 1 PM and clean-up at 8 PM. To sign up, please contact Mrs. Mobley at smobley@staug-md.org or call the school office. We hope everyone will plan to attend this fabulous, fun-filled family event!☺



50/50 Raffle...We are selling 50/50 raffle tickets!

The drawing will be held at the School's Out! Supper and you do not have to be present to win. If you would like to purchase and/or sell tickets, please contact Mrs. Mobley as soon as possible.



Congratulations to the following students who ran the most laps in our 5th Annual Race for Education: Kyle McKenna and Sabrina Faulkner (preschool), Matthew Elias and Jeremy Siedor (kindergarten), Peter Pittman (Grade 1), Adam Quick and Kristen Zaranski (Grade 2), Cameron Haislip (Grade 3), Jason Schneck and Nicholas Buonaccorsi (Grade 4), Sean Zaranski (Grade 5), Michael Berhane, Rachel Feliu and Stephanie Colon (Grade 6), Luke Filar (Grade 7), Hollie Byer (Grade 8). To date, we have raised **\$18,000.**

Remember...the deadline for all donations is **Friday, May 29.** A prize of \$50 each will be awarded to the three students in the school who raise the most money. In addition, the class that raises the most money will receive a pizza party and extra recess time.

Yearbooks are now on sale! To order your copy, please return the attached form with a check for \$20 payable to St. Augustine School. All orders and payment must be received by **Monday, June 1.** Yearbooks will be distributed at the beginning of next school year.

Reminder...School will be closed for students on Friday, May 15. This is a professional work day for the faculty.

Thank you to everyone who purchased the eco-friendly bags from the HSA sale. We are very pleased to announce that we sold a total of 241 bags and raised **\$895.** Your support is greatly appreciated!

Have a nice weekend! ☺