



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ★ Thanksgiving Food Drive
- ★ Thanksgiving Communion Service
- ★ Inaugural Parent Council Meeting
- ★ Science Olympics



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HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS WILL TAKE PLACE ON OCTOBER 31st in the AFTER-NOON. MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.



THE ALL-STAR GAZETTE

OCTOBER 2011

ST. PAUL SCHOOL — TIMMINS

A Message from the Principal

Fall is in the air! The leaves are turning, pumpkins abound and the days are getting shorter. Things are really humming along at St. Paul School. It has been a fantastic start to the school year and I am so proud of the efforts made by students and staff to get things going on the right foot!

Many, many thanks to all our families who joined us for our Annual Open House. It was wonderful to meet so many of you and help put names to faces. We want you to know that you are welcome to visit the school at any time. We hope to see lots of you as we work together to ensure this is a great year of learning for your child(ren).

Have your children been at school regularly since school started? Have they been on-time

each day? I wanted to be sure to mention the importance of regular attendance in school. Most classrooms begin the day with either Language Arts or Mathematics. When students are late, they miss very important instruction in these areas. Classes begin at 8:50. Please work with us and have your children at school on time. For those of you who ensure students arrive on time and are in school regularly—we thank you!

On behalf of the staff, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday. God Bless you all.

Yours in Catholic Education,

D. Brumwell



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Please bring in donations of non-perishable food items between now and Friday. All donations will go to St. Martin DePorres.



STUDENT UPDATE FORMS

We still have a number of outstanding Student Update Forms that have not been returned. We collect this information annually to ensure we have up-to-date information regarding parent & emergency contact information. If you did not receive a copy of the form to return, please call the school and we will send you another one.



CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

When: Wednesday, October 12th

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: School Staff Room

Who: All Parents who have Sent in Nomination Forms & any other parent who is interested in joining council or who just wants to see what is going on!

See you there!

SCHOOLYARD SUPERVISION

Just a reminder that our school yard is NOT supervised before 8:30. Please do not drop off your children before this time. If your child walks to school, it would be very helpful if you could time their arrival after 8:30. We need your help to ensure students are safe upon arrival at school. Thanks in advance for your support with this!



Celebrating Our Faith....



Virtue for October

GRATITUDE

“Give thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Ephesians 5:20

The choice to be grateful is not always without effort. October’s virtue is Gratitude, how apropos that we will be celebrating Thanksgiving in just a few short days. Gratitude is the virtue that makes us aware and appreciate the gifts we receive each day. Our quote for the month “This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad” (Psalm 118:24) will be the foundation for our work. To express thankfulness is a simple way to share our faith as it fills our hearts with a readiness to cherish all that we have.

In this age of consumerism and the “me-centered” focus

of today’s culture, we must refrain from feelings of self-entitlement. Materialism and consumerism prevent us from enjoying and being appreciative of all that we have. We cannot think that we have a right to demand without giving anything in return and without giving thanks for all that we are.

Exemplifying gratitude means:

- † Giving thanks to God for the many daily blessings we have
- † Focusing on the good in our lives and the good in others

- † Not lamenting on what we do not have
- † Recognizing the good in ourselves and giving our best to improve or to help others
- † Appreciating others and the work they do for us
- † Taking care of your things, keeping them in order and sharing them with whoever needs them
- † Not wasting your gifts (water, food, electricity).



OUR SCHOOL

VISION...

Parents, Students
and Staff
Promoting
Achievement,
Understanding &
Faith



PIZZA & MILK PROGRAM



Pizza and milk order forms are sent home monthly. Below you will find a chart of the dates for which the order forms will be sent home, when they are due back and how long each order form covers. Should you wish, you always have the option of ordering for the whole year.

Just call the school to make these arrangements.

Date Sent Home	Date to be Returned	Period Covered
September 21	September 29	Oct. 3-28 (4 weeks)
October 12	October 26	Oct. 31-Dec. 2 (5 weeks)
November 16	November 30	Dec. 5-Jan. 27 (6 weeks)
January 11	January 25	Jan. 30-Feb. 24 (4 weeks)
February 8	February 23	Feb. 27-March 30 (4 weeks)
March 21	March 28	April 2-27 (4 weeks)
April 11	April 25	April 30-June 1 (5 weeks)
May 16	May 30	June 4-27 (4 weeks)

PLEASE NOTE THAT PIZZA DAY IS NOW ON WEDNESDAY

PICK UP REMINDER

Please remember that if you are picking up your child from school, you must call the school **BEFORE 2:30**. Students will not be removed from the bus list after this time.

