



ST. MARY'S ACADEMY WEEKLY NEWS



TODAY'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

I would like to extend a special thanks to Mrs. Willard, Ms. Hawkins, Ms. Rouege and Mrs. Mack for organizing our Red Ribbon Week. The students received excellent presentations on living a healthy life and on not abusing substances. N.O. police department provided the Officer Friendly program and brought delicious treats for the children. Thanks again!



The children looked very cute in their costumes and they enjoyed their parties.

Please note that the Elementary Open House on Nov. 10th is for new prospective elementary parents.

Sr. Mary Lou

TONIGHT

OPEN HOUSE

HIGH SCHOOL

6 P.M.

Sr. Jennie Jones, SSF
Principal

Sr. Maria Luisa
Aldape, STJ
Elem. School Coordinator

NOVEMBER 1, 2011

Special points of interest:

- Today's Message
- HS Open House
- The Wiz
- Early dismissal
- Reading Tips
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd I, II, III
- All Saints Day
- Winn-Dixie Community Pals

The Wiz

St. Mary's Academy Drama Club will entertain and delight our students with a performance of *THE WIZ* this Thursday, Nov. 3, 2011. The cost is \$2.00 per student.

The performance will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the new Austin Gym (High School).

Please send \$2.00 (cash only) for your child to attend.

The *public* performance will take place Friday, Nov. 4th at 7:00 pm. Adults \$10.00, children 12 and under cost \$5.00.

PLEASE SEE SEPARATE MEMO REGARDING THE WIZ



**EARLY
DISMISSAL**

**NOV. 11, 2011
1:30 P.M.**

**FACULTY
MEETING**

**NO AFTER
CARE!**

Reading Tips for First Grade

Reading Activities for First Grade Parents:

- * Listen to your child read books from school. Be patient as your child practices. Let him know you are proud of his reading.
- * Say the sounds of letters and ask your child to write the letter or letters that represent the sound.
- * Ask your child to point out the letter-sound relationships he is learning in all of the things you are reading together- books, calendars, labels ,magazines , and newspapers.
- * Play word games. On cards, write

words that contain the letter- sound relationships he is learning at school. Take turns choosing a card and blending the sounds to make the word. Then use the word in a sentence.

National Institute for Literacy (www.nifl.gov)

By: Ms. J. Coffil
Reading Specialist



Reading is Fundamental

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Levels I, II & III

Beginning after Thanksgiving, there will be classes in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd offered after school from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

All children from the ages of 3 years old to 12 years old are invited to join the classes. Sister Cecilia will have a class of 3-5 year old children on Wednesday after school. Sister Joanne will have a

class of 6-9 year old children on Monday after school. There will be a class of 9-12 year old children on Thursday after school also led by Sister Joanne.

Those who want to register must do so before Thanksgiving. If you are interested, please see Sister M. Joanne for registration forms.



All Saints Day

by Majah White

Fifth Graders have a special assignment. For Nov. 1st, All Saints Day, we are doing a project about saints. We had to find out the feast day, what is the saint a patron of, a memorable story from their lives, and three to five other facts about the saint. This project is part of our Religion class. We



have to dress up as the saint to give our report. My report will be on St. Agnes.

Community Pals

Winn-Dixie is partnering with local organizations and will donate a percentage of purchases to our school is you use your special rewards card. If you would like to participate—at no cost to you- please complete the information on the form you are receiving. It's easy! Thanks for signing up!

St. Mary's Academy is committed to a talented and diverse student population and welcomes students of any race, color, religion, national and ethnic origin. St. Mary's Academy does not discriminate in its educational and admission policies, financial aid, athletic or other programs and activities.