



BULLETIN

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL

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SNOW ALERT

The weather outside is frightful...in the event of snow, you can find out about school closure in the following ways: message on our answering machine, the webpage www.stfoa.org, and snow closure information on TV channels 4, 5 & 7. **We will not be doing phone trees this year.**

TUITION BILLING

This month's tuition billing is being sent for the first time via e-mail to everyone, even if you don't have an outstanding balance. We will also be sending a hard copy this month only. Beginning next month, we will send e-mail billing only. If you do not receive this month's billing in your e-mail, please contact Teri at tlowe@stfoa.org.

CHRISTMAS SCRIP DRIVE

Please see the attached order form if you are interested in helping families in need. Thank you!

ADVENT PROGRAM

Join us for our Annual Advent Program next Thursday night at 7:00p.m. in the Church.

2009-10 SCHOOL YEARBOOK

Yearbooks are on sale now for our new 2009-10 St. Francis yearbook! Order forms are included in this week's family envelope and also on the website under forms. You can place your order at school or online at <http://store.classscene.com/ssLandingPage.aspx>. Orders are **due** by **JANUARY 15, 2010**.

GIFT-A-BOOK THANK YOU

Thank you to Drew Johnson, Max Volle and Kendall Kieras for donating books to the Gift-A-Book Program. We have over 400 donations now! Please consider donating books in honor of your child's birthday. Thank you!

2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR OPENINGS

Since our parents are our best advertisers, we would like to ask your help in promoting our school to your friends and neighbors. We have openings in **Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 4th & 6th** grades for the 2010-2011 school year. If you know someone that is interested, please have them call the school office. Thank you for your help!

3B CLASS WINS VIDEO CONTEST ON CLIMATE CHANGE

The 3B class video was in the top 10 around the world for their age group. Their video will be shown to President Obama and the rest of the world's leaders at the climate conference in Copenhagen next week. In addition, Grace Grotz and Avika Kasubhai's video won the special "ePals Ambassador Award" along with 2 other videos (one from Italy and one from India). Their video will also be presented to the world leaders. You can see the results at epals.com, or click on the following link: <http://www.epals.com/projects/info.aspx?divid=Students Speak ClimateChangeW1>

LEGO ROBOTICS CLUB

The Lego Robotics Club, led by Nancy McHenry-Dirks and Lynn Tolzin, competed at Aviation High School last week and placed 9th out of 24 teams. Way to go!!!

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SCRIP SELLERS NEEDED - GET FUNDRAISING HOURS!!

Scrip sellers needed for on 12/18, 12/24, 12/29 and 12/31 - weekdays from 9:00-11:00a.m. Email Colleen at cmgnelson@yahoo.com if interested.

SCRIP SALE CLARIFICATION NEEDED

On December 3rd, someone purchased scrip with cash for \$605.00. No name was written on the receipt and we would like to credit the family who made this purchase. If it was you, please contact Colleen Nelson at cmgnelson@yahoo.com.

CAMPBELLS LABELS FOR EDUCATION - Please get your labels/UPC codes into the office this week so we can take advantage of bonus points being offered. Thanks!

WIN FREE AUCTION TICKETS

Parents, here's your opportunity to "Paint the Town Red" and stay in the black! Enter to win two FREE tickets to the 2010 Spirit Auction (\$150 value) when you turn in your procurement forms before 12/11.

ST. FRANCIS' FIRST ANNUAL WINTER COAT, HAT & GLOVE DRIVE

Do you have any gently used coats, hats or gloves that are gathering dust in your closet? We are collecting outdoor clothing for guests of the community lunch on Capitol Hill to be distributed on Christmas morning. Rain gear is especially welcome. Please drop your clothes off in the bin located inside the front school doors. We will be collecting clothing until the last day of school, December 16th. Together we can make this a warm holiday for less fortunate families. Any questions, please contact the McNair Family. Thank you.

GENERAL VOLUNTEER HOURS AVAILABLE

The Knights of Columbus will be having breakfast with Santa on Sunday Dec 13th after both masses. If there is anyone looking for service hours they can contact Ken Devos at ken.devos@comcast.net or 206-248-2543.

BAND NEWS - ADVENT PROGRAM

Catch the St. Francis School Band at the Advent Program on Thursday, Dec. 17th at 7p.m. in the Church. Band members in grades 6-8 are asked to arrive at **6:30p.m.** **This is a graded performance and attendance is required!** Thank you! We look forward to sharing the sounds of this special season with you! The band will also be performing at the Dress Rehearsal on Thursday at 10:30a.m. **Parents:** Please help remind your student that instruments/music/stands are needed on **THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 17TH!** **THANK YOU!** Miss McKamey

CHRISTMAS BABYSITTING

Madison Nelson is available for babysitting over the Christmas Holidays. Please call her at 206-276-5594.

GIVING TREE AT CHURCH

The Giving Tree at church has lots of tags still available. Please stop by and pick up a tag if you can help with Christmas items. The deadline for gifts is Saturday, December 19th. Thank you!

COFFEE ORDERS

Holiday Coffee packs of ½ pound of coffee are available for \$5.00 and are wrapped in gold foil for gifts. Please consider purchasing coffee for your holidays.

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CYO NEWS

You are invited to a pilot program titled **“Parent Like a Champion Today”**. We all love our children and want what’s best for them. Come and learn how best to support them in their athletic endeavors. This one-evening program will be held on Wednesday, January 13th 7-8:30 in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Kati. *PS: Parents of our 6th-8th graders, bring your kids to the EDGE program and join us in the Parish Hall.*

“Property of ST. FRANCIS Athletic Department” sweatshirts will be delivered to classrooms next week. If your sweatshirt order includes a surprise for your child, please contact Kati this weekend to make alternative arrangements.

Save the date for our annual **CYO ITALIAN DINNER**: Saturday, January 23rd.

CYO VOLLEYBALL registration is open for girls and boys grades 5 – 8. Registration form, signed concussion information sheet, and \$75 fee are due no later than Tuesday, January 19th. Forms are available at www.stfoa.org. **Interested in volunteering to coach volleyball?** Please contact Kati at skeltisk@wwdb.org. Thank you!

ALTAR SERVERS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 12TH:

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| Saturday – | | Ana Olson, Sam Hill, Megan Smith, Nicole Hourie |
| Sunday – | 8:00am | Kyle Pierce, Isaac Feil, Brogan Meyers, Brenagh Sanford |
| | 10:00am | Layne McNair, Anna Tegelberg, Lychee Tran, Devin Tegelberg |
| Monday – | | Paul Schumacher, Cabrini Taylor |
| Tuesday – | | Brittney Johns, Brogan Meyers |
| Wednesday | | Communion Service |
| Thursday – | | Nathaniel Tolton, Monique Wenner |
| Friday – | | Anna Tegelberg, Jessie Dirks |