



FAMILY NEWSLETTER
October 10, 2007 #7
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TARGET DATES

Thursday,	Oct. 11	* Emergency Preparedness Drill – 10:00 a.m. Yearbook meeting – 7:00 p.m. in Library
Friday,	Oct. 12	* 7 th and 8 th grade dance – here – 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Monday,	Oct. 15	* Minimum Day – 12:45 Dismissal Sports pictures – 6 th grade – See below for additional information
Thursday,	Oct. 18	* School Pictures
Mon-Fri	Oct. 15-19	* 8th grade to Caritas
Sunday,	Oct. 21	* Family Mass 10:30, Pancake Breakfast to follow
Monday,	Oct. 22	* Basketball sign-ups DUE
Tuesday,	Oct. 23	* Coffee with Mr. Boegel – 8:30 a.m. – <u>CHANGE OF DATE</u>
Friday,	Oct. 26	* End of First Quarter Used Uniform Sale – Ward Hall – 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday,	Oct 31	* Halloween Parade – 1:00 p.m.
Thursday,	Nov.1	* All Saints Day – 10:30 Mass
Mon-Fri	Nov 5-9	* 12:45 Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Sunday,	Nov. 11	* Family Mass – 10:30 a.m.
Monday,	Nov. 12	* School Panoramic Picture and small group pictures for yearbook
Tuesday,	Nov. 13	* Parent Association Open Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

**Volunteers are still needed for the
Emergency Preparedness Drill**

Thursday, October 11th
From 9:15am – 12:15pm
Please call Beckie Caldwell at 650-620-9236 or
Email beckie.canfield@macys.com

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents,

Did everyone have a relaxing thee-day weekend? Whether you went on a short trip or stayed home and went to the pumpkin patch, I hope you had a chance to spend some fun quality time with your child. It is a wonderful time of the year to make new memories!

The teachers and I went to a seminar a couple of weeks ago and we heard a speaker talk about “toxic versus nurturing” language. Keeping in mind that we have a wonderful parent community here at St. Matthew, I still want to extend the lesson that we learned! An example of “toxic” language in a school setting is gossiping about a situation that you would like changed but have yet to address with a teacher or Administrator. An example of “nurturing” language is dialoguing to solve the issue at hand by avoiding gossip and going straight to the source to solve the problem. My plea to you is to engage in only nurturing language. Please be willing to go to your child’s teacher or an Administrator with any ideas or concerns you may have. We are here for you.

Regards,

Mr. B.

FYI...

- **Be a Saint...** We will be collecting Halloween candy for the St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Help Center through the month of October. Donations can be brought to the classroom or the collection box outside the office. Thank you!
- **Basketball Sign-ups:** Sign-up Forms are in this week’s envelope and are due by Monday, October 22, with a check for \$85.00 made payable to St. Matthew School.
- **Sports Pictures:** If you are scheduled for your team picture on Monday, October 15th, and you wish to purchase one, you must bring a completed envelope plus \$12.50 check (made out to Lifetouch) WITH YOU! **NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED!** Any questions contact Cindy Moscaret cmoscaret@gmail.com.
- St. Matthew's is offering an **after school Art Program**. If your child loves art, this is a great opportunity to explore various mediums, develop skills and learn new techniques.
 - Program Director: Mary Downs
 - Now Available for grades 2-8. Class size is limited to 25
 - This quarter we will work on a fall still life painting.
 - We will learn mixing colors, blending, and balancing a composition.
 - This will be an original piece that will be ready to frame.

For more information contact Mary Downs at www.MDowns@stmatthewcath.org or see the Sign-up Form in this week’s Wednesday envelope.

- It's that time again to round up all our **Box Tops!** The first turn in date is right around the corner. Please cut and count your Box Tops, put them in a ziplock bag or envelope and bring them to your homeroom by Oct 26. There are many new products that have a "Box Top" on the package. For a complete list, go to www.boxtops4education.com . Remember, every one is worth \$.10. We will receive our first check in early December.
- The City of San Mateo Fire Department, is offering a training “Community Emergency Response Team” (CERT). This course is for training civilians to meet their immediate needs following a major disaster, taking care of themselves and their community. People should be trained to help, so that they do not become victims themselves. Recognizing that Fire and Police Department resources would be overwhelmed and may not be where they are most needed, this training is FREE. To learn more about this program go to www.sanmateocert.org or register at the San Mateo Recreation Center. Flyers with additional information are available in the school office.

BE SURE TO REVIEW OUR EMERGENCY PICK-UP PROCEDURE ENCLOSED IN THIS WEEK’S ENVELOPE!!

YARD DUTY SCHEDULE 11:15-12:45

Oct. 16

Calero
Ladcani (Ivan/Michelle)
Ladcani (Rochie)
Leus
Perez (Robert/Pamela)
Razon

Oct. 17

Hernandez (David/Ana)
Jones (Marin/Mike)
Rodiack
Rudberg
Ruiz (Andres)

Oct. 18

Almeida
Andersen
Hernandez (Martin/Evelyn)
Sandkulla
Simons

Oct. 19

Alford
Allara
Arnold
Sirianni
Stewart



******* Reminder: Please make sure you report to Yard Duty on your specified date. The updated schedule is printed here in the newsletter and is posted on the St. Matthew website under the heading, “Parent Life.” *******

TRAFFIC ASSIGNMENTS



Week of: Oct. 15 6-1 Oct. 22 6-2 Oct. 29 4-1
Nov. 5 4-2 Nov. 12 3-1 Nov. 19 3-2

**** Visit the school website to view future dates****