



“EYE OF THE TIGER”

ST. PATRICK NEWSLETTER

September 2008

A Parent's Prayer

Lord, you are my patience, my strength, my light, and my counsel.
You guide me in what I have to say and do with my son and my daughter, and you help them
be responsive to my words.

Be with them and with me at all times.

Give me, for their sake, a share in the gifts of your Holy Spirit:

Wisdom, understanding, counsel, courage, knowledge, devotion, and awe.

Increase my faith and give me zeal to build your kingdom.

Accept my living commitment as a parent to be the continuation of your divine Son's
earthly ministry. I ask this in God's name. Amen.



A Message from Principal John Rieschick

I pray you had a restful summer and that your student is excited about being at St. Patrick School this first month of school.

I am thankful for being your Principal and will work tirelessly to be a contributing leader ministering with my many constituents at St. Patrick School and St. Rose Parish. Working alongside you and our Pastor, Msgr. Church, with his fifty (50) years as an ordained priest, we can make this a year of academic, physical and spiritual success. From our humble beginnings in 1932 until today, the motto of **Noblesse Oblige** (“to whom much is given, much is expected”) stands as a critical indicator of what we expect from our students and ourselves.

The dramatic impact of the ongoing technological revolution that ushered in the 21st century is growing! It is changing our world, the context in which our students live and learn, in dramatic ways with each new development. I believe St. Patrick School develops students who navigate a world that is extremely fast-paced, constantly changing, increasingly culturally diverse and technologically driven. To meet these changes, St. Patrick School has acquired new computers for the classrooms and lab, is developing a program to access student grades on-line and has purchased new textbooks in Math, Science and Religion. New Language Arts and History books will be purchased next year. St. Patrick School is striving to provide an education designed to assist our students to truly succeed with “what’s next” at every age level.

There is much to be excited about, but none more than having you celebrating the journey with us. I sincerely hope and pray that the 2008-2009 school year will be a memorable one for you.

NEWSLETTER NEWS

☺ NO EXCUSES—GO TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN

The No Excuses-Go to School Attendance Campaign is centered around the theme of “responsibility”. Please help your student(s) understand that being in class means being a responsible person. Regular school attendance is a key component of a student’s academic journey. Students who attend school regularly are less likely to fall behind. If your student is ill, please write a note to clear student absences the following day. Keep on the look-out for school prizes for perfect attendance!!



Fencing around
the school
is now completed!!!



GRANDPARENTS MASS

☺ Special Mass at St. Rose Church for Grandparents on Friday, September 5th at 8:00 am. You are cordially invited to attend with your grandchildren.



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Welcome Mrs. Teresa Ayers

Our new School Counselor

Mrs. Teresa Ayers holds a Bachelor Degree in Organizational Behavior and earned her Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology in 2003 from the University of San Francisco. As a Marriage and Family Therapist Intern Teresa has worked in non-profit agencies, K-8 Schools, Placer County and for a University. Teresa has a passion for children and families and the focus of her work includes building on client strengths. In her work with adults she enjoys assisting those in life transitions, career counseling and facilitating parenting groups. She teaches part-time at Sacramento State University College of Continuing Education, is married and has three adult sons.

☺ ATTENTION PARENTS & GUARDIANS
Don't forget to review the STUDENT INSURANCE.



**DON'T FORGET ST. PATRICK GOLF TOURNAMENT
ON SEPTEMBER 6TH. FLYERS COMING SOON!**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, September 1st. —Labor Day
(No school)

Thursday, September 4th—Parent Booster Club Potluck

Friday, September 5th—Minimum Day

DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR CHILDREN AT NOON. MASS AT 8:00 A.M. —Grandparents Day

Monday, September 8th—Christian Brothers High School visits our school

Tuesday, September 9th—Back to School Night and Live Scan Fingerprinting, 6:00 pm.

Tuesday, September 9th—Vocations Mass & Presentation

Thursday, September 11th—Anniversary prayer service for 9/11 families

Saturday, September 13th —Catechist Ministry Day at St. Francis High School

Monday, September 16th—St. Francis & Jesuit High School visits our school

Tuesday, September 16th — Parent Booster Club Meeting, 7:00 pm.

M-F, September 22-26th—Iowa Testing



Kids can buy Milk during lunch time in the Cafeteria

Milk (1%) - 20 cents
Strawberry/Chocolate - 30 cents



Tuition Payments

Most FACTS Tuition Agreements have been completed. For those who haven't turned in an agreement yet, please do so by 9/5/08. Tuition payments made in the office are due on the first of each month. If payments are not received by the 10th a late fee of \$25.00 will be added.

If you have any questions, call Lynn.

Upcoming Dates on Saints, Prophets, and Witnesses for our Time!

Sept 3—St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of Church

Sept 4—Albert Schweitzer, Missionary

Sept 9—St. Peter Claver, Missioner to Slaves

Sept 10—Bd. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta-Founder, Missionaries of Charity

Sept 20—Henri Nouwen, Priest and Spiritual Guide

Sept. 21—St. Matthew

Sept 26—Jeremiah-6th Century Prophet

Sept 27—St. Vincent de Paul, Founder of the Vincentians

Sept 30—St. Jerome, Monk & Doctor of the Church



Shop for a Cause on September 20th

Support St. Patrick School by attending a one-day shopping event at **Macy's**. Guests will have the opportunity to participate in a unique shopping experience including discounts, entertainment, special events and the opportunity to win thousands of dollars worth of prizes. Shopping passes will be \$5. You will get 20% off regular, sale and clearance women's, men's and kid's apparel, jewelry, crystal, all kitchen and technology items and more. Also 10% off regular and sale furniture, mattresses and rugs. Tickets will be on sale in the office. Proceeds from the passes will benefit our school.

