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END OF YEAR CALENDAR

Please note the following:

- Monday & Tuesday, May 18th & 19th – No school for 7th grade
- Tuesday, May 19 – 5th DARE Graduation 1:45 pm
- Wednesday, May 20th - Whole School Mass
- Wednesday, May 20th – 7th grade Promotional Ceremony 1:00 pm
- Wednesday, May 20th – Last day for aftercare
- Thursday, May 21st – Paper Drive (Please note no paper drives in June or July. Will resume in August)

• Thursday, May 21st – 11:30 a.m. dismissal –

NO AFTERCARE and NO PM BUS SERVICE

- Friday, May 22nd – 9:00 a.m. Awards Assembly (gym)
- Friday, May 22nd – 10:30 a.m. dismissal –

NO AFTERCARE and NO PM BUS SERVICE

- Monday, May 25th – office closed
- Summer office hours – Monday – Thursday 9:00-11:30 a.m. beginning on Tuesday, May 26th through Thursday, June 18th. **Please note the office will be closed on Fridays.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES – PRE-ORDERS

Co-Op will sponsor the pre-order supplies for the 2009-10 school year. Innisbrook School Supplies package order forms went home last week. Please see package for more information and due dates. This package includes the majority of school supplies needed for the 2009-2010 school year. Participation in the pre-packaged supplies program is optional.

2009-10 TUITION PAYMENTS

Tuition payments for the 2009-10 school year are now due if you are not using the loan program. Please make your payments by this time to the school office. If you would like to initiate a new loan, please contact Linda Benedetto, 835-8491 ext. 105.

FINANCIALS FOR 2008-09

You are reminded that all before/after care and other financials for the 08-09 school year are now due. *Any financials left unpaid may result in holding your child's report card until payment is made.* Your prompt attention is appreciated.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Parents of students in grades 1-6 are invited to attend our "End-of-Year" Awards Assembly on Friday. It begins at 9:00 a.m. in the gym. We will be awarding some end-of-year awards to all grades (primarily academic and Accelerated Reader). The Assembly will last a little over an hour so we will dismiss students to the parents who are in attendance from the gym. Children whose parents will be picking them up in the normal fashion will be brought outside near the ramp for regular dismissal routine. There is no bus transportation at dismissal on this day and no after school care.

The 7th Grade Promotional Ceremony is Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in the gym. We congratulate all of our 7th grade students. We also bid a fond farewell to some of our families whose youngest child is going off to high school. We thank you for your support and wish you all the best of luck.

As this school year comes to a close, I would like to congratulate students, parents and teachers who have worked together to make this a successful year. It has been a year of much academic improvement and growth. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. Together we joined in "Planting the Seeds to Success". Our students learned much about what it takes to be successful in their academic and spiritual growth. As parents, you have worked with us as we educated your children together. You showed your support by staying informed and helping with homework. You showed your support of the school through your participation in the parish and co-op fundraisers. So many of you showed your support as you volunteered for anything that was needed - from serving refreshments at our many receptions and meetings, to helping on field day, with Accelerated Reader and in the lunch room, to spinning those tales for our eager students and assisting in maintaining our grounds.

We have already begun planning for next year and have many exciting things planned including the continuation of our Math Honors program in middle school and a new English textbook series. At the same time, we look back and bid a fond farewell to: Mrs. Jean Hare. We are thankful for the contribution that Mrs. Hare has made to St. Angela over the years and wish her well in her retirement!

Students entering grades 2-7 will have some required and/or suggested reading. Summer reading lists are being sent home today. Also, students of all ages are encouraged to join the Summer Reading Book Club at the Public Library. It is an excellent way to maintain reading skills. Please have the children save any certificates earned. We would like to recognize these students at the beginning of the school year. Students are also encouraged to read Accelerated Reader books during the summer. Students may take the quizzes upon return to school next year. But students will also have an opportunity to take quizzes during some designated times during the summer. See the attached flyer for more details.

Once again, this year we have more great news about our former students. St. Angela produced 2 valedictorians this year: Christopher Kliebert – Rummel and Stephen Lowe – Brother Martin. Also, congratulations to 7th grader Lauren Saunee who earned a scholarship to Mount Carmel. Great job!

Please mark your calendar for "Volunteer Paint Days" to be held on Saturdays, June 13th & 20th from 7:30a.m. – 3:30 p.m. If we get a good turnout we can finish the jobs much faster!! Please try to take the time to help.

Terranova Standardized Tests Scores will not arrive until late June. If you would like your scores mailed to you, please turn in a self-addressed stamped envelope to the office by June 18th. The remaining test results will be distributed in August upon the return to school.

Once again, thank you for sharing your child with us. Enjoy your summer!

6TH GRADE EXAM SCHEDULE

Monday, May 18th Reading and Science
Tuesday, May 19th Social Studies

ICE CREAM PARTIES

Following is the schedule for the end-of-year ice cream parties:

- Monday, May 18th – 2nd (Hare) @ 1:30
- Wednesday, May 20th – 1st @ 2:45; 3rd @ 1:45 and 4th @ 2:00.
- Thursday, May 21st @ 11:00am – 2nd (Greer), 5th & 6th

Two gallons of ice cream will be provided to each class. Room mothers are asked to provide the toppings, bowls and spoons for their class. The parties should be kept simple.

PAPER DRIVE – THURSDAY

This Thursday is the paper drive for May. Please note the next paper drive will be held in August. There will be no paper drives in June or July.

BORROWED TEXTBOOKS

Please return all borrowed textbooks to the office by this Wednesday, May 20th.

FAIR NEWS

- Please see the fair sponsorship form being sent home today. Your sponsorship is a great support to the fair. If you would like to personally sponsor or have a business or know someone with a business that would like to be a fair sponsor, please complete the form and return it to the school office.
- Pre-orders are now being taken for the 09-10 “SAM ON THE BAYOU” fair t-shirt. The t-shirts will be light blue. Please see the pre-order form included in this bulletin. The design (submitted by Taylor Smith) is included on the back of the pre-order form.

08-09 YEARBOOK ORDERS

The 2008-09 school yearbook will again be in full color! The cost will be \$20.00 per book. The yearbooks will be distributed in the beginning of next school year. Please see the website for order form. Orders are due by Thursday, June 11th. Due to the cost of the full color books, we will be ordering based on pre-orders only.

SPORTS NEWS

Girls Cabbageball

Please turn in all sports uniforms to Mr. James.

Mr. James’ Summer Basketball Camp

Camp dates are June 15-19. Students in grades PK4 – 5th are welcome.

SAMA NEWS

The next SAMA meeting at 7:30 pm tomorrow, May 19th in the Kern Center will feature Mr. Jim Henderson of WWL-TV. Boiled crawfish will be prepared by the "Kitchen Crew." Please come to what is always a fun meeting.

SAFARI NEWS – FIRST DAY INSTRUCTIONS

- All children except Pre-K meet in the gym on Monday June 1st. We begin at 9 am and end at 12:30. Pre-K students go immediately to Pre-K3 room and will be picked up there at 12:25. K students will be dismissed at the bottom of the ramp.

- Before care begins at 7:30 and after care ends at 5:30. There is a \$2.00 per hour, per child fee. After care is offered only for those who absolutely need it. These students are to bring their lunch, drink and a sleeping bag or mat. We all take a quiet break and watch a movie after lunch. Then depending on the weather we go out to play by the deck.

- All students and teens are to wear tennis shoes. We move a lot during this program and need sturdy shoes. Any other questions please call Sr. Paula at 837-9347.

GROWING THROUGH READING

Third graders in Mrs. Plaisance’s class have been reading up a storm this school year. All twenty-seven students became members of the Accelerated Reader Club in the fall. Twelve will receive end-of-the-year AR certificates, and five have earned book dedications. The class also participated in the Book It Reading Program. One hundred percent of the students met the reading goal for five out of the six months of the program, with nineteen students earning Star Reader status. Read on, third graders!

AR NEWS

The following students have passed their first AR quiz for the 2008-09 school year: Peyton Berger, Tyler Billew, Brandon Briuglio, Mary Gaffney, Trey Gruner, James Jee, Miranda Kelly, Conner Lockhart, Emily Loisel, Andrew McGuire, Chelsea Todd, Annelise Tortorich and Emily Virgets.

CONGRATULATIONS

On Sunday, May 10th, these Cub Scouts received their Religious Emblems at the 9:30 Mass: Tigers – Guardian Angel: Jason Deas, Blake Eiermann, Bradley Hardeman, Cory Mayley, Jude McCaskell and Dominic Messina; Wolfs – Light of Christ: Julius Anderson, Michael Armbruster, Jordan Diliberto, Josh Mattei, Brandon Spadaro and Bryce Spadaro; Webelos II – Parvuli Dei: Vincent Fouchi, James Hamblin, Kevin Keegan and Patrick Keegan.

CHOIR NEWS

No practice this week. Thanks to all choir members for a great year.

BAND NEWS

Mr. Smith would like to thank the band and precorders students for another outstanding year. There will be no band classes this week. On Friday the band and precorder students will receive their 4th quarter reports, information about summer lessons, and the precorder students will receive their participation certificates.

CYO BARBECUE AND CABBAGEBALL

All students completing the 7th grade this year are invited to join the St. Angela CYO (Catholic Youth Organization). CYO offers opportunities for youth ages 13-18 (8th-12th Grades) to grow in spirit, perform service, participate in sports, and socialize with one another. On Sunday, May 31, from 6:00 - 9:00 the CYO will host a barbecue at St. Angela in the schoolyard for anyone interested in joining or learning about our organization. Parents please come between 7:30 and 8:30 to fill out paperwork. We are currently working on our roster for Summer Cabbage Ball. If you are interested in signing up please call Kathleen Steen 835-0892 or ksteen@cox.net immediately. If you have questions about CYO you are welcome to contact Diane Kratochvil at 832-0486 or dmktup@hotmail.com