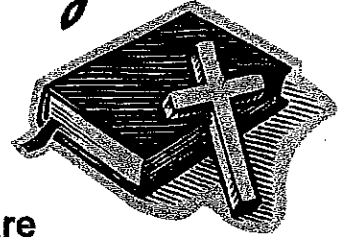


Saint Timothy's Tidings

February 17, 2010



Re-registration for current students and new students who are siblings of our current students will take place within the next few weeks. Please be on the look out for the re-registration packet.

Calendar Notes

February 19 – Last day for Progress Reports

February 23 – Class Pictures

February 25 – First Reconciliation 7:00 PM

A tentative March calendar has been included in this communication. An updated March calendar will be included in the March 2 communication.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week was a great success. Thank you to the parents and friends of St. Tim's who visited our school during Open House.

Our "Wear a Pair- Share a Pair" sock drive was very successful. We collected 10 boxes of socks for the homeless shelters. We were featured in the *Northeast Times* in the *Lifestyle* section.

This was the first time I experienced "Spirit Day". It was wonderful! I am so proud of our talented children and the teachers and staff who work so hard with them each day.

WWJD

During the season of Lent we will try to help the children realize that this holy season is a time of prayer, fasting and doing good works. We, the entire school, will be wearing WWJD bracelets as a reminder of this. The bracelets will be blessed at the school liturgy on Ash Wednesday. It is our hope that these Christian values will continue to be a part of the lives of our children long after Lent is over.

Meals-in-a-Can

We will be collecting "*Meals-in-a-Can*" for Saint Francis Inn again next month. Canned meats, pasta, chili, tuna, soup, etc. will be collected from March 1 until March 25. Thank you in advance for your generosity. This is the "almsgiving or "doing of good works" that is part of our Lenten journey.

Progress Reports

Progress Reports are still being issued to the students in grades 1 to 8, between until Friday, February 19. These reports will be given to students who are in danger of failing a subject or who are not working to his/her potential. We will not be issuing Interim Reports. If students are missing projects, assignments, class work, etc., they are expected to complete these assignments.

Class Pictures

On Tuesday February 23, the children will have their class pictures taken by homerooms. This is the date that was re-scheduled due to the inclement weather. All students must be in the regular winter uniform. No gym uniforms for grades 1 to 8. Only the Kindergarten should be in gym uniforms.

Adult Confirmation

A program is being formed at Saint Timothy Parish for any adult seeking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Adult Catholics (ages 18 and older) who have been baptized and received First Communion and are practicing their faith, but have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in the program.

Interested adults must contact Father Donia or Mrs. Kirschman at Saint Timothy Rectory (215-624-6188) and will need to provide a copy of their baptismal certificate for the program.

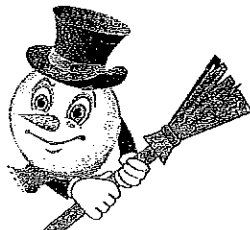
Stations of the Cross

On most Friday afternoons during Lent our students will participate in Stations of the Cross. You are invited to join us. Please check the calendar for the dates and times of this devotion.

Safety Issue

Please refrain from double parking around the school. I have witnessed children being let out of parked cars and crossing the street in the middle of the block. That is an accident waiting to happen. Also you are asked NOT to park in the bus zones on Hawthorne Street. The speed in the Car Loop is frightening. Please watch your speed. **Cars are not allowed to enter the schoolyard at arrival or dismissal times.**

This has become even more of a safety issue with the snow around the school campus. Please follow these rules for the safety of ALL of our dear children.



Nickels for Neighbors

Each year the children of the Archdiocese collect change for *Nickels for Neighbors Campaign*. This is the children's Catholic Charities donation. We will begin collecting change in February. The money collected will be presented to Bishop McFadden in April.

Cold Weather, Rain or Snow at AM Arrival

When it becomes bitterly cold or when it is wet outside, we will invite the children into the building at 7:40 AM. Please do not drop your children off earlier than that time. We need to be sure that teachers are available to supervise the children. Children in car loop will enter as usual, bus riders and walkers will be asked to enter through the glass doors on Hawthorne Street. Kindergarten will enter by their usual doors and Pre-K will enter at usual time and place.

Parent Conferences

In the second trimester of this school year, parent conferences will be held a week after the report cards are issued. These conferences may be requested by the teachers or the parents. A form will be included in the report card envelope to schedule these conferences. Next year these conferences will be held after the first and second trimester report cards.

New Information

Please remember to notify the school if you move or change your telephone number. It is important that we have the most current information for each student.

Attendance /Lateness

Please remember to call the school office before 9:30 AM to report a child's absence. An absence note is required upon the child's return to school.

Parents are encouraged to insure that the children arrive at school on time each day. A detention will be issued after every 4th lateness. Arriving late for school is a distraction to the teacher and the children.

Please try to instill in your children the importance of good attendance and punctuality.

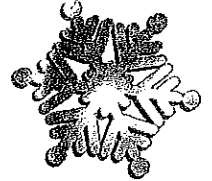
Illnesses

Please keep your child at home if he/she is not feeling well. Please Note: If your child has fever, he/she may not return to school for 24 hours after the fever has broken. He/she must have a normal temperature for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.

If your child has a **confirmed** case of H1N1 (Swine Flu), please report this to the office when you are calling to report his/her absence.

Shelter - in - Place

There are still students who have not brought in their Shelter-in-Place bag. This should be a small zip-lock bag containing a small bottle of water and a snack. These will be used in the event the school will need to Shelter-in-Place. Please see page 3 of the School Handbook for further information about Shelter-in-Place.



Winter Weather

Saint Timothy Catholic School follows the same closing and emergency dismissal procedures as the other diocesan schools. If the school is closed, opening 2 hours late or closing early due to snow or ice, the information will be announced on **KYW-News Radio-1060 AM**. You should hear something like, "All Philadelphia public and Archdiocesan (or parochial) schools are..."

Please have an emergency plan in place for such an event and share this with your children. It is not fair to the students or staff to wait for someone to pick up a child after the announced dismissal time. Please remember the school staff members must also travel in the poor weather conditions. When there is an emergency dismissal due to weather or some other emergency or if you hear, "All after school activities are canceled." there will not be After-School CARES on that day.

The school, rectory and convent do not have additional information on closings. We receive the same announcements via radio. Please do not call to find out information on closings.

School Liturgies and Prayer Services

Parents, grandparents, guardians, etc. are always invited to attend all or any of our school liturgical celebrations. Please join us!

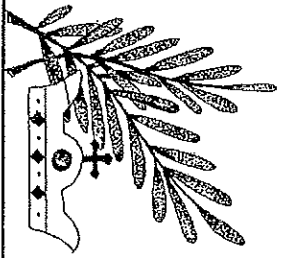
Calendar Changes

Please make the following changes on the yearly calendar:

April 19, 2010 – **NO** Candy Bingo

May 12, 2020 - **NO AFTER-SCHOOL CARES**

May 24, 2010 - Faculty Retreat should be Friday, May 14, 2010



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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PALM SUNDAY
Bunny Hop: 1-3 p.m.

Stations of the Cross:
Grades 5-8

2:00-3:10

WARRIOR

Father/Daughter
Dance

Confirmation Retreat
In Gym

ANNUNCIATION
School Penance
Service

Report Card
Conferences Gr. 1-8
NO SCHOOL FOR
STUDENTS

Third Trimester Begins
6th Grade Zoo Trip

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

ST. JOSEPH'S DAY
Kindergarten Class
Trip

Report Cards
Stations of the Cross:
Grades 1-4
CYO Dance

TERRA NOVA

TESTING

GRADES K-7

Second Trimester Ends
Stations of the Cross:
Grades 1-3

Teacher In-Service
NO SCHOOL FOR
STUDENTS

School Liturgy: 9:15
Terra Nova Testing
Gr. 3-8

Home and School Reminder

Gertrude Chocolates Fundraiser
Help St Tims reach our goal
for 2 additional SMART BOARDS
(Sales needed \$10,000.)

Order form Deadline: Feb 24th
Will inform of pick-up date

PS: Please support and send your
box tops to school