



# Saint Theresa School Weekly E-News

February 8, 2012



The Girl's Varsity basketball team will be playing in the St. Ann's final on Saturday at 3pm!

## Spelling Bee Champions



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Catholic Schools Week

### Links of Interest:

- [School Calendar](#)
- February's [hot lunch](#) order form
- [Box Tops](#) for Education
- Volunteer hours [form](#)

## Box Tops News

The collection for Box Tops for Education is going very well. We are on track to reach our goal of \$1000.

We are trying to go green and ask that all participating parents please click on the Box Tops link (to the right, under Links of Interest) and print their own collections sheets. Collections sheets are still

available in the office.

We are collecting now to see who the top collection classrooms are and this contest will run until the end of March.

## Confirmation

Upcoming Dates for Confirmation:

Monday, March 26: Retreat, 4:30 - 8:30 St. Theresa Gym (dinner provided)

Wednesday, April 11: Rehearsal, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

Saturday, April 21: Confirmation, 10:00 am with sponsor

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# Book Fair Thank You



Thank you to everyone that supported the Book Fair. We hope you enjoyed your purchases.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped our students and made the Book Fair successful:  
Carmen Barahona, Ulyana Bolgachenko, Sue Cassidy, Meredith Chamberlain, Kari Dyson, Sue Ennis, Pam Gasparrini, Rose Hernandez, Janet Pikulik, Leslie Richardson, Jenny Romanowski, and Sue Turotsy.

Thank you also to Linda's Story Time for being such a supportive supplier. In addition to their assistance with the Book Fair, Linda's Story Time donated books to the school library and also gave a generous discount to Mr.

Vittoria so the school could purchase the books that remained on the teachers' wish lists. Please consider Linda's Story Time on Route 111 in Monroe when you are purchasing books. You may find more information on the store and its events at their web site: <http://lindastorytime.com>.

Michelle Gasparrini and Karen Klein

## HSA Raffle

### **1st Annual Fundraising Raffle for St. Theresa School/HSA Grand Prize \$5000.00**

This is a pilot event whose success may generate a wonderful opportunity for next year's fundraising. Drawing is to be held May 23<sup>rd</sup> at our HSA/Spring Concert night. Winner need not be present. We would like every family, PreK- 8, to sell at least 2 books of 5 tickets. Tickets are \$10 each and only 2000 will be sold. Additional tickets are available for you if you need or want to increase your chances of winning!!

Next week look for more details and when you can expect to see your tickets. Any questions can be directed to Susan Turotsy for now... (203)520-6278. Good Luck!!!

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## Letter from The Principal

February 8, 2012

Dear Saint Theresa School Parents,

I wish to thank so many of you who this year have made every effort to stay current with your tuition payments. Our monthly delinquency list is significantly shorter than in past years which allows me more time to spend with the children and teachers, as well as be more involved in educational matters, rather than spending time and energy chasing down tuition.

**Please remember that the 2012-13 Tuition Agreements along with the registration or activity fees are due back next Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.** Please assist us in establishing accurate enrollment numbers by returning the agreements by the stated deadline. If we do not receive a tuition agreement by February 17<sup>th</sup>, we will assume that you will not be returning to St. Theresa School next year. Any contract returned after February 17<sup>th</sup> will be subject to the full admission process including space availability, student screening, and a family interview. Again, please make the re-enrollment process easy by returning the agreements by Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

This Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, grades 5-8 will be attending a special presentation on organization and study skills. Many of you will remember Mrs. June Irolla who used to be on the St. Theresa staff. She is an experienced speaker and workshop leader who specializes in this all-important area of instruction.

This coming Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> we have our monthly Home School Association meeting scheduled for 7:00 pm in the gym. Babysitting will be provided in Mr. Harry's room. We hope to have a representative from Catholic Charities be the guest speaker at Monday's meeting.

I look forward to seeing you on Monday evening at the H.S.A. meeting.

S. Vittoria

## Shoes for Kenya by Mrs. Stratton's Class

### Shoes for Kenya...

1. The four of us are here to tell you about a project our 7th grade home room is doing with some help from our little brothers and sisters in 3rd grade. Mrs. Stratton told us that her husband and her 16 year old son, Jamie, were going to Africa over February break. They are going to fix a school building, train teachers, and help orphaned children.

4. Please ask your parents to help you go through your old shoes that are in pretty good condition and bring them in. We will have a big bin in the 7th grade classroom and we will also come around to your classes once in a while to see if you have any. Our goal is to collect 300 pounds of shoes, which is 6 suitcases full! The last day to bring them in is Monday, February 13th. Please help us help these kids in Kenya!

2. She also told us that these children in Kenya desperately need shoes. Most of the kids don't have any and the area is very rocky and dirty and full of dangerous trash. When our class heard this, we wanted to help and we asked if we could talk to everyone in school to see if they could bring in some gently used children's shoes.

3. The sizes we need are toddler 5 to 13 and adult size 1 to 6. It is better to have closed-toed shoes because where they walk is dirty and full of glass and rocks. School shoes and sneakers are the best. It is too hot for boots. Jamie and Mr. S are also bringing packages of new children's socks with them in all sizes, so this something else you could bring in if you don't have any used shoes.



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## Basketball Tournament Thank You

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the families who took the time to help make this year's tournament a great success. We say families, because the children too are so much involved, that we could not run this tournament without them. Thank you all for your continued support in this remarkable fundraising event. We would like to thank Mr. Vittoria and Fr. Gannon for their help and continued support. It is with great appreciation that we recognize each and every family, responsible for the great success of this year's Basketball Tournament.



A special thank you to Mr. John Ndou and Mr. Mike Garrison for their tremendous help in keeping our school clean and safe during the basketball tournament.

### **Tournament Committee and Coaches:**

Kathy Shilling, Robyn FitzGerald, Pat Sullivan, Alicia and Mike Connelly, Janet Pikulik, James Turotsy, Bryan Conelius, Bill Welch, John FitzGerald, Bob Sullivan, Tom Tarantino, Kyle Harrell, Rocco D'Arcangelo, Joe Graziano, Chris Goulden, Terry Nelson, Julie Lubas, and Rich Tuozzoli

### **Other Volunteers:**

Barb and Frank O'Brien, Michelle and Joe Gasparrini, Gina Tarantino, Gina DaSilva, Mary FitzGerald, Sree Akkenapally, Carmen Barahona, Paula Barreto, Ulyana Bolgachenko, Shauna Bryant, Annelisse Hernandez, Lori & Aaron Cieniawa, Jaelyn Conelius, Lisa & Tom DeFelice, Janis & Chris Dezelin, Laura & George Dodita, Daphne Domingue, Suzanne Donofrio, Kari Dyson, Sharon Garber, Mike Garrison, Jackie Gelmetti, Jillian Gelmetti, Lori Hackenson, Elisa Irizarry, Colleen & Scott Jacques, Beth Keating, Sarena Kelly, Lucy LaFrenierre, Dan & Michaelene Lynch, Nicole Markland, Sandy Martinez, Maria Masciola, Pia McMahan, Marley McMahan, Belinda Memoli, Bridget Monks, Susan Monks, Rich Moskowitz, Kathleen & Sam Mulford, Melissa Nunez, Frank O'Brien, Terry Purdie, Sandy Rodriguez, Jenny Romanowski, Pat Santone, A. Kelly Saunders, Josie Smith, Liz Tamarkin, Freddie Tamarkin, Alicia Tuozzoli, Sue Turotsy, and Martha Vassar

### **Score Keepers:**

Liam FitzGerald, Matt FitzGerald, Kyle O'Brien, Kyle Shilling, Seamus Keating, Connor Martinez, Holly Nelson, Jamie FitzGerald, Michael FitzGerald, Siobhan FitzGerald, Niall FitzGerald, Meghan Shilling, Cameron Connelly, Olivia Graziano, Ashley Lynch, Briana DeSilva, Nicole DeSilva, Bryanna D'Arcangelo, Anthony Sakakini, Monica Janny, Peter Janny, Samantha Lubas, Krista Schultz, Erin O'Brien, Jaudens Florian, Bobby Sullivan and Daniella Masciola

### **Families Who Contributed to the Basketball Raffle:**

Barreto, Beardsworth, Cabello, Cassidy, Cuevas, Fonseca, Garber, Gasparrini, Graziano, Isaac, Jacques, Janny, LaFrenierre, Maia, Mrs. Malone, Mrs. Ronnow, Mrs. Ornella, Mulford, Nicolina, Nunez, Pikulik, Rodriguez, Rosa, Rowe, Saunders and Sze

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## Varsity Boys BB News

Congratulations to the Boys Varsity Team who finished their regular season games this weekend. Timothy Welch and JJ Florian were selected to participate in the Our Lady of Fatima All-Star game at OLA.

The boys played their last game of the season immediately following the All-Star game winning 42 to 37. A shout out to Tim Welch who scored his career game high scoring 21 points. Best of luck to our graduating eighth graders this year and hope to see them all on the court again!



Coach Fitzgerald, Joe Gasparrini, Dominick Tran, Kendrick Boliere, Timothy Welch, JJ Florian and Alex Bolgachenko, Coach Bill

Tim commented, "It was a great high scoring game. I'm going to miss basketball at St. Theresa's. It was a fun experience."

"It was fun, said Jauden. "I met a lot of new players. Now I have more experience, which will help prepare me for high school basketball."

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## Holy Land Dinner

# SAVE THE DATE

## FOOD OF THE HOLY LAND

### A TASTE OF THE MIDDLE EAST

Please join us for our  
**6th annual** community dinner  
sponsored by the Home School Association

**When:** Saturday, March 31, 2012

**Time:** 5:30 - 9:00 P.M.

**Where:** Saint Theresa School Gym



Tickets will be available in  
the school main office, the rectory office,  
or please look for order forms to follow.



**COME ENJOY THE MUSIC AND FOOD**

**Tickets are \$20.00 per adult (\$25.00 if purchased at the door)**  
**and \$5.00 for children 10 and under**  
(Chicken Fingers will be available for children)

**All proceeds will benefit Saint Theresa School**

Catering donated by: **LAYLA'S FALAFEL**  
Owned and operated by the Sakakini Family

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## Going Green

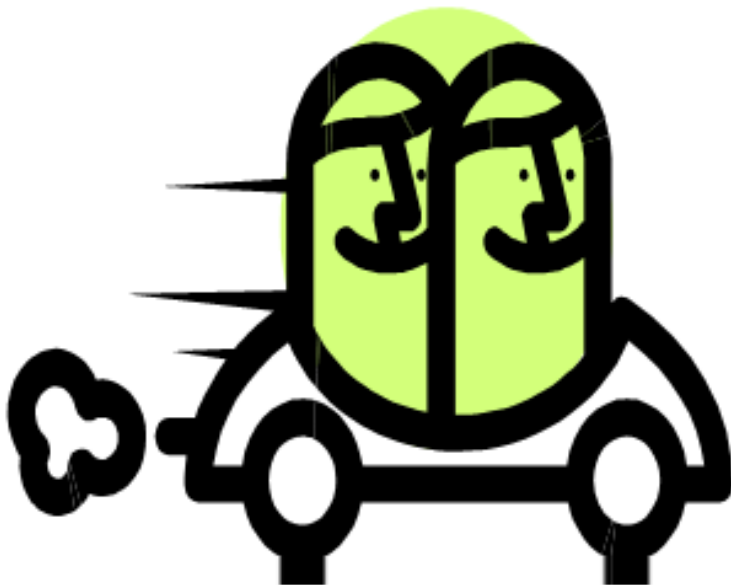


### Going Green by carpooling

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Carpooling is important because it uses less gas and less money to buy another car. If you carpool more often we will have more gas and money to use in the future. You can save materials and time. Yes it is true you can save time by carpooling .if there is less cars on the roads and highways you get there faster.

James and Dylan



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## Breakfast of Champions



Congratulations to Siobhan!

She was the Breakfast of Champions representative and, as a result, St Joseph High School offered her an additional \$500 scholarship.

# Catholic Schools Week Events



## St. Theresa's Celebrates Catholic Schools' Week 2012

