

Notes from Dr. Greco

October 8, 2009

Thank you for your prompt response and return of the H1N1 immunization permission slip. As soon as a date is set, we will provide you with the details. Our students will be walking to Jenkintown to have the vaccine administered. As mentioned in previous Notes, if you would like accurate information regarding the H1N1 virus please use the Montgomery County Health Department's website: www.health.montcopa.org with a link to H1N1inPa.com.

With your email today, you will be forwarded an urgent message from the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference. Please take the time to read the information and contact your legislators via the link included in the correspondence. Financial support for our schools is waning and we need your voice to be heard especially in these difficult financial times.

French class will be offered after school on Thursdays again this year. Please see the included flyer for details. Registration forms must be returned to the office no later than October 23rd. Children in grades 1 to 8 are eligible and any level is welcome.

Our Safe Environment lessons will take place during the week of October 19th in grades K to 8. If you wish to preview the lessons that will be presented, they are available on the Archdiocesan Website. Simply click on the tab "Safe Environment" and the elementary level lessons are listed there.

Don't forget that during the month of October **the National Junior Honor Society** will be assisting the parish for Our Lady's House Baby Bottle Fundraiser. A baby bottle will be in each homeroom to help collect funds for the cost of running Our Lady's House. Every cent donated helps to provide a safe shelter for mothers and children in need.

Our CARES students who attended CARES during their day off had a great time. Our teachers were in Norristown attending a Professional Development day conducted by Betty Garner, the author of "Getting to 'Got It!' -Helping Struggling Students Learn How to Learn." Monday, October 12th is our 2nd Professional Development Day at Cardinal Dougherty. If you

plan on using the CARES program, please make sure that you send your registration to the office TOMORROW, OCTOBER 9TH. Thank you!

You receive your School Directory today and 4 lunch envelopes with the December menu. Lunch envelopes are due on Wednesday, October 14th. Remember that you do not have to pay when you send in your order. You will be billed in your monthly statement.

Grade 6 students will not have school the day of Confirmation (Tuesday, October 20th) and will be permitted to arrive late (by 10:00am) on Wednesday morning.

We're including an early announcement to remind you that our annual ALUMNI MASS & RECEPTION will be held on Sunday, November 15, 2009 at the 11:30 mass with a reception immediately following in Conahan Hall. We welcome all of our former students and families to join us. Please spread the word to graduates near and far and invite them to come celebrate their ICS memories and our school's rich 114 year history! We strongly encourage our alumni to participate in this special mass and we ask that you call the school at 215-887-1312 so we can coordinate the details. Thank you for helping us to spread the word!

Fundraising reminders:

Our KidStuff Book sale ended on Friday, October 2. Please hand in any outstanding \$25.00 payments to your child's teacher as soon as possible. If you do not wish to purchase the KidStuff Book that was sent home with your child, please return it to his/her teacher right away. There will be a \$25.00 charge for any book that is not returned or paid for. Thank you!

Donations for our class baskets can still be sent in. If you don't have time to shop for an item to donate, you can make a monetary donation - scrip is ok, too! Your help is needed and appreciated!

On KYW News Radio website, you can register for the annual Comcast Laptop Daily Double and it could mean a new laptop for you. If you would be so kind as to name us as your "school," we, too, will have a chance to win new lab computers.

