

Ignatian Information

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UPCOMING EVENTS

September 25
NO SCHOOL

Archdiocese Inservice

September 28

6th grade visits
St. Paul Preschool

September 29

High School Visitations
for 7th & 8th grades

October 2

Blessing of the
Animals 2:45pm

October 7

International Walk or
Ride your Bike to
School Day

October 8

Jogathon 1:30pm

October 9

NOON DISMISSAL

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Mother Marie

Rose Mass 11AM

(free dress—Sunday
Best)

October 12-23

Standardized Testing

Dear Parents:

We're off and running, so to speak, with this year's Jogathon! Jogathon chair, Dan Sheets, got students fired up for this year's run at an all-school assembly on Tuesday, including a run-down of all the awards and prizes available. The important news for parents is that Jogathon packets are coming home with students TODAY, and we encourage students to begin collecting money and pledges this weekend. Especially this year, it's important that each of our fundraisers meets or exceeds it's goal. The Jogathon goal is \$31,000, which means that each student is expected to raise \$150.00, with special prizes for every student and class that achieves their goal. We're counting on each of you to do your part, so please get busy now in collecting pledges.

Thanks to Mrs. Lohkamp and Ms. Larson, we will have a special celebration of READING on Wednesday, September 30th. All students who completed their public library's Summer Reading Program will receive a "reading free dress" on Wednesday. We encourage students to wear their reading program t-shirt or a plain-colored t-shirt and jeans. Don't forget to bring in your proof of completion (certificate, t-shirt or completed and stamped game board) and share it with Mrs. Lohkamp to show that you qualify for this special recognition!

On Friday, October 2nd we invite you to bring your pets to school at the end of the day for a special blessing in honor of St. Francis' feast day. We'll meet by the play structure at 2:45pm, and Fr. Tom will lead us in a short prayer service, then bless all the pets in attendance. This is always a very lively event!

To keep the prayer service as peaceful and safe as possible, please follow these guidelines: All pets MUST be on a leash or in a cage; Only parents may be in charge of a pet; If your pet has difficulties being around people or other animals, leave it at home. Please be aware that we have students and staff members with pet allergies, so please keep your pet under your control at all times. Thank you for your understanding and help in making this a safe and enjoyable event for all.

When you arrive we will have a special area for pets and their families, and your child(ren) may join you there. Students without pets in attendance will sit with their class. The prayer service will begin at 2:45pm, and students will be dismissed at the conclusion of the prayer service.

We hope all of you will join us next Friday afternoon for this very special prayer service, and the opportunity for your children to share their pet with classmates and friends.

John

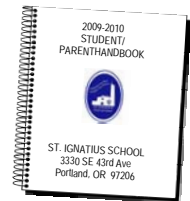
JOG-A-THON



The Jog-A-Thon is coming! October 8th is the big day! Students attended the Kickoff Assembly on Tuesday morning where they learned the details of this year's event. Information packets for the Jog-A-Thon are included with the Friday envelope. We look forward to seeing many parents, grandparents, friends and relatives at the Jog-A-Thon. Please contact Dan Sheets to volunteer at this important annual fundraiser at danandkelly99@comcast.net.



Student Handbook/Directory Update



Free Dress for Free Read



Free dress for Free Read? Did you read, complete and turn in your Summer Reading Program game board? If so, then you qualify for a Summer Reading Free Dress Pass! On Wednesday, September 30, you may wear jeans and your 2009 Summer Reading T-Shirt. If your library gave out certificates instead of

a T-Shirt, you may wear jeans and a plain colored T-Shirt. Please bring your shirt, your certificate or your completed and stamped game board to school by Monday, September 28. Ms. Larson and Mrs. Lohkamp will check your certificate, game board or T-shirt and award your free dress pass which you may use only on Wednesday September 30. Classroom teachers will collect the passes and congratulate the students. Questions? Call Mrs. Lohkamp at 503-774-5533 ext.258 or email slohkamp@stignatiusschool.org.