

September 18, 2008

Dear Parents,

Mid-term progress reports are in your child's homework folder today. These reports should be reviewed, signed, and returned to school by Tuesday, September 23.

Please read the following:

- **HOMEWORK CLUB**

Students in grades 4-8 (students in younger grades may attend with homeroom teacher's permission) have the opportunity to spend up to 3 hours per week at Homework Club. Homework Club meets on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons from 3:15 – 4:15pm.

Homework Club Goals:

- ~increase learning time
- ~improve grades
- ~complete homework
- ~ask questions for clarification
- ~utilize teacher and student assistance
- ~read quietly

Utilizing Homework Club may help with mid-term progress report concerns. Good students take advantage of academic support, such as Homework Club. Encourage your child to attend one, two, or three days of Homework Club each week. NOTE: Students who usually go to Extended Care after school are invited to attend Homework Club, and will then be escorted to Extended Care at 4:15pm.

- There will be no school on Monday, September 22, as teachers will be at a professional educator meeting.
- This is the final week for the Innisbrook fundraiser. Please send your orders to school by the end of the week. If every student sells \$75 worth of items, Cosgriff will reach its goal of \$25,000. Thanks for your help!!
- The student council and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will sponsor a bake sale during lunch on September 24. Proceeds will be donated to the Odyssey House. Also, please remember to turn in all donated items for this service project to the office.
- Take advantage of the "Parent Resource Library" located in the school library. Just browse or check out books that are of interest to you.

- Bruce Baron, a long time active parishioner, needs our help at the parish Beer and Brats to be held September 27, 6:00-8:00pm. Please call Bruce (583-7222) if you are willing to set-up, serve, or clean up. **School volunteer hours are accepted for a parish activity.**
- Volunteers are needed for our annual Art Festival. Help is needed for:
  - set-up and check in artist on Friday Oct 10<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 pm
  - various jobs the night of the event
  - clean up and check out artists Sunday Oct 12<sup>th</sup> after 1:00 pm.
  - accountants or people who like working with numbers are needed to help count money Sunday morning, Oct 12<sup>th</sup>

If parents know any Judge High School students who need volunteer hours, their help is especially needed to set-up on Friday and take down on Sunday. Anyone interested in helping please contact Erin Bonk at [erinbonk@yahoo.com](mailto:erinbonk@yahoo.com) or 588-0336.

- Thank you to the many parent volunteers who have helped cut out materials for the special reading kits and programs starting up this year. A special thank you to Sharon Mancini and Kori Hazel who have **volunteered** countless hours each day in the reading room. Also, much gratitude goes to the following volunteers who worked very diligently:

Shauna Appel  
 Ali Brusa  
 Katy Blaszcak  
 Emi Chunga  
 Barbara Crosswhite  
 Rachael Crosswhite  
 Rhonda Dodson  
 Robin Harmston  
 Ingrid Kelson  
 Daniella Knell  
 Lisa Louie  
 Angie Roberts

- Parent volunteer involvement is needed and welcome at Cosgriff. Please consider the following options as you fulfill your 20 volunteer hours this year.

~attend H.S.A. monthly meetings  
 ~call Mrs. Hunt if your are interested in sitting on the School Board  
 ~volunteer for special classroom projects  
 ~volunteer in the school library  
 ~volunteer for classroom teachers  
 ~volunteer in the reading (literacy) room  
 ~volunteer as a STAR tutor (2 times per week)  
 ~volunteer anytime at noon recess to assist with student supervision  
 ~call Barbara Schmiett and volunteer for a H.S.A. committee  
 ~call Lana Martino (554-3943) to serve on a committee for Mardi Gras  
 February 21

~call Erin Bonk (588-0336) to help with the Art Auction October 11  
~call the office for more volunteer information at 486-3197

- Our band program has started at Cosgriff. Concert band practice is held on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 3:15 – 4:00pm. Cadet band practice is on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:15 – 4:00pm. The fee for the school year is \$350.00, not including the instrument rental. This is a serious and very worthwhile commitment for any student. Learn more about the band program on the Cosgriff website by checking the “student” link on the home page, or call Mr. Asman at 699-2767.
- Mr. Huntzinger, Music and Liturgy Director, is looking for new choir members to serve in the adult choir. Parents, middle school, high school, and college students who are interested should attend rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30pm in the church. Service in the choir will count for Judge High School student service hours. Encourage your Judge student to join the choir.
- You are invited to our Mardi Gras solicitations kick-off breakfast on Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Head over to Lynn Kestle’s home (1140 E. N. Bonneville Dr.) after drop off; everyone is invited! Look for an email from your room rep. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn at 808-4940, or email her at [lynnkestle@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnkestle@hotmail.com).
- Watch your Albertson’s receipts for the Campbell’s 200 point bonus offer. Please turn these receipts into the office so we can redeem them for bonus points for the school. **Also, please re-register your Smith’s cards for the Earn & Learn program at [www.SmithsFoodAndDrug.com](http://www.SmithsFoodAndDrug.com). Families need to register by 9-30-2008 for enrollment for the 2008-2009 school year. Thank you to the 145 families that participated last year, we received a check this week in the amount of \$3,453.81. Please click here to download a link to the website.**

Have a nice weekend.

Sincerely,

Betsy Hunt  
Principal