



St. Joseph School

Weekly Newsletter June 5, 2008



All School Mass for our Graduates

Thursday, June 12 at 9:00 am

All students need to be *dropped off* at St. Joseph Church—Issaquah for the 9:00 am Baccalaureate Mass. Full Dress Uniform required.

There will be no morning bus service. The 4th-6th students will be bused to Snoqualmie after mass. The afternoon bus route will run on a normal schedule.

Overflow parking: The Issaquah Community Church (across the street from St. Joseph Church) has offered the use of their parking lot for any overflow parking.

A Blessing for our Graduates

Before you were even formed, God knew you. While in your Mother's womb, God named you. At your birth, God's breath filled you with life. Today we celebrate what you have become at this moment in time. And so we pray.



God of our beginnings,
We thank you for the gifts of these graduates, their excitement, their awesome wonder and curiosity, their open speech and encouraging words. Their contributions have blessed and challenged us, and we have become a richer and more diverse community because of them.

As they step forward into the world that awaits, comfort their fears with the full knowledge of your divine presence. Strengthen their resolve to walk in the footsteps of Jesus as modern-day disciples in a world that needs their spirit.

Guide their feet as they move through life, protecting them from the pitfalls of darkness while they help to lead future generations into the warmth and promise of your light.

We ask this blessing upon each of them.

Jump Up Day in Snoqualmie- June 11th

For Current 3rd Grade Students and their Parents



Information regarding Jump Up Day has come home with the 3rd Grade students. (*We would also like to invite the parents of our current 3rd grade students to attend Jump Up Day to see the Snoqualmie Campus and attend the All Campus Assembly.*) The assembly begins at 1:15 and will be lots of fun! Please join us. We ask you to park on Railroad Ave and not on the neighborhood streets in respect of our neighbors. **Parents will need to pick up their child at 3:00 pm at the Snoqualmie Campus.** (Aftercare students will ride the bus to Issaquah.)

From the Office

LAST WEEK OF SCHOOL - MEDICATION PICK-UP

Parents, please plan to pick up your student's medication on or before the last day of school, Wednesday, June 18 at the school office. Thank You



SCHOOL BUS PASS CREDITS

All unused school bus passes can be turned into the office for credit on any unused rides. Bring you bus pass to the school office by Wednesday, June 18 for credit. School bus passes can not be used from year to year. Credits will not be given after the June 18, all accounts must be closed out for the school year. Thank you



SCHOOL OFFICE CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER

The Issaquah and Snoqualmie campus school office will close for the school year on Friday, June 20. Email and voicemail will not be monitored during the summer months. The Issaquah and Snoqualmie office will open for the new school year on Monday, August 25. Have a great summer!



From the Business Office

All families who have not turned in TMS forms (tuition for 2008-2009) will automatically be charged a \$45 processing fee and put on a 11 month payment plan. The last day for TMS forms is June 6th.

Just a reminder to all families leaving SJS and who have an outstanding balance, no transcripts or final report cards will be sent to your forwarding school until SJS receives payment in full. (All tuition, bus fees, etc.)

Any questions please contact Carol Willard in the Snoqualmie office @425-888-9130.

Important Dates to Remember

- Early Dismissal: **Friday, June 6**
- Jump Up Day for 3rd graders: **Wednesday, June 11 - 12:45 pm**
- All School Mass at Issaquah: **Thursday, June 12 - 9:00 am**
- Graduation Ceremony: **Thursday, June 12 - 7:00 pm**
- Pizza Day: **Friday, June 13**
- Talent Show: **Friday, June 13 - 1:00 pm**
- Issaquah Field Day: **Monday, June 16**
- Snoqualmie Field Day: **Tuesday, June 17**
- All School Mass at Issaquah: **Wednesday, June 18 - 9:00 am**

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Chess Club at Issaquah: **Fridays, 8:15 am**

Issaquah School Office: 425-313-9129 Snoqualmie School Office: 425-888-9130 Parish Office (Emergency Use Only): 425-392-5516
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School Commission 2008 — 2009 An Opportunity to Participate, An Opportunity to Share Your Talents

The St. Joseph School Commission is busy planning for the next school year! Two wonderful opportunities are available for those with an interest in participating in the following areas of school operations:

School Finance Committee: If you have a background in accounting, finance, budgeting or other financial area, the School Finance Committee would benefit from your skills. This committee will be charged with creating a long-range financial plan for St. Joseph School.

School Policy and Planning: Do you have a vision? Do you like to have a plan and implement it? The Policy and Planning Committee needs you!

If you have an interest in participating (and gaining volunteer hours) please contact Peg Johnston at pjohnston@sjssisquah.org. A regular time and place will be determined by the committee at its first meeting.

OWhoo-Hoo!

Someone tell me! Is it legal to have THAT much fun?! My goodness, St. Joe's has some crazy parents out there! (You know who you are!)

A HUGE thank you to everyone that attended the Hoe Down! Who knew we were such a fun gang?!

And an even bigger THANK YOU to the amazing set-up and clean-up crews! Whew! You people know how to put your backs into some serious work. I know the McCracken's are thankful, as well.



Volunteer Service Opportunities

Mentor Families

We would like to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to all our Mentor Family Volunteers for the 07/08 school year. Thank you for making our new families feel welcome and keeping them informed. Your time and energy towards this community building opportunity is greatly appreciated. Thank you again for making this connection!!!

So as this school year winds down, plans are underway for next fall. We have a number of new families that will be joining us next year and we would love to pair them with a current school family. If you would be interested in joining other families to welcome and mentor a new family, please contact Janet Jolly at janetjolly@hotmail.com. This is a great opportunity to complete volunteer hours especially from home.

CYO Update: Thanks to all who have registered. We have a strong turn out in grades K-3. K-3 players will hear from their coaches via email by June 30 regarding: equipment needed, our annual all-comers clinic on August 29, and the first practice on September 5. Game schedules will be distributed in September.

We continue to recruit players and configure teams for grades 4-6. Please continue checking email for the latest developments and team configurations.

Feel free to contact Bertina Loeffler Sedlack (bertinals@hotmail.com) for additional information.



Saint Joseph Knights of Columbus Squires



Saint Joseph Knights of Columbus will be having open enrollment for the Columbian Squires. The Squires program is a faith based program focused primarily on community service and leadership skills. It's a great way to fulfill service requirements, and a fantastic opportunity to realize life is not "all about you". We will be joining the councils at St. Monica, St. Louise, St. Madeline Sophie, and the new council at Our Lady of Sorrows. Our summer project this year will be the interior/exterior remodel of the ranch house at the Snoqualmie campus. The squires program is for young men 10-18 years old. Please feel free to contact Gene Daly at 425-891-5497, kodiak98027@yahoo.com, or Jeff Kelley at 425-417-6480, kellyjeff@juno.com.

Summer Camp for Sports

CYO Camp Don Bosco is offering basketball, soccer and girls volleyball camps this summer. This is a great opportunity for kids to build community, learn new skills, and make new friends. Our sports camps are designed to provide each participant with a balanced combination of sports and camp activities making a full week of fun!

We are offering a **\$45 discount** to any child that participates in CYO Athletics. For more info you can go to our website www.seattlearch.org/cyo or contact Jamie Fredrickson at jamie.fredrickson@seattlearch.org or 206-274-3186. If you have any questions please give me a call! Thanks!

Vacation Bible School 2008

IT'S REGISTRATION TIME - For incoming kindergartners to incoming 6th graders. Join us as a participant or volunteer for this summer's Vacation Bible School, "Power Lab" at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Power Lab will begin Monday, June 23, through Friday, June 27, 9 a.m. until 12 noon in the church hall. General information, including registration forms are available online and for printing at our website at www.sjcissaquah.org. Forms are also available in the church office and on the table in the back of the church. Learn more about this fun event at www.harcourtreligion.com, click on Power Lab VBS.