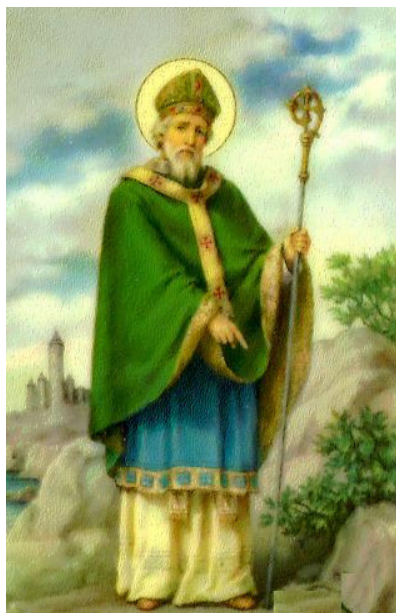


## Weekly Newsletter

March 10—March 17, 2010

Dear St. Aloysius Families,



Next week we celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Saint Patrick lived in the fifth century. As a teen, St. Patrick was kidnapped from Scotland and sold as a slave in Ireland. Several years later, with God's help, he escaped to Britain, where he studied to become a priest and later was ordained a bishop. Then he went back to Ireland and brought the faith of Jesus to all the Irish people. He helped them believe that God didn't live in the trees of the forest, but in the hearts of all people. St. Patrick is a great model for all of us, reminding us that we, too, can preach the Good News of Jesus Christ! (Source: Children's Daily Prayer—Liturgy Training Publications)

**Handbook Reminder: Lunch Program, p. 40**— If a child opts to bring his/her own lunch, it must be for medical or religious reasons, and notification must be on file in the main office.

Sincerely,  
Ms. McCarthy  
Principal

### Prayer—

*St. Patrick used the 3-leaf clover as a symbol of the Holy Trinity, to represent the three persons in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We pray: Holy Trinity, we thank you for sending us holy men and women, who help people to understand you. May we always look for guides who will give us a deeper knowledge of your mysteries.*

### All School Families

- There is no school on Wednesday, March 17th in honor of St. Patrick's Day.
- Progress reports will be mailed home this week.
- There will be a meeting for any parents and students interested in the Bowman or Gonzaga Programs for next year. The informational session will be held on **Thursday, March 18th at 6:00 pm**; Bowman's meeting will be held in the main building, and Gonzaga's meeting will be held at the All Saints location (130th and Madison). Applications will be accepted for students entering grade 6 or 7, and are due by March 26th.
- On Friday, March 26th, the Hospital for Special Surgery will be at St. Aloysius from 1:00pm-3:00pm to do a free screening for bone, muscle, and joint problems. Consent forms were sent home last week; please return them to school if you want your child to participate.
- Re-registration forms are past due. Please submit the form and \$125.00 re-registration fee in the form of a money order to Ms. Davis as soon as possible. Failure to do so may result in your child's seat not being held for the 2010-2011 school year.

### Mother Theodore Families

Mrs. Washington, Mother Theodore Program Coordinator

- On March 19, 2010 all payments for the end of the school year field trip and events are due. If you need another copy, please send a note to your child's teacher in their daily folder. On each trip date, we will need 10 chaperones for each class. The total amount for these trips is \$40. Parents if you are volunteering to chaperone, please send in \$80 to cover your admission.
- Mother's Day Breakfast May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Family Day May 28<sup>th</sup> Bronx Zoo field trip
- For both events all students must have a chaperone attend.
- School Closed -Wednesday March 17, 2010 St. Patrick's Day.
- March 19, 2010- Birthday Celebration and Ice Cream Day \$2 (revised).
- School Closed- Thursday March 25, 2010 Teachers Conference Day.
- New Student Testing- March 26, 2010 half day (no after school).

## **Pierre Toussaint Families**

Mrs. Bearden, Pierre Toussaint Program Coordinator

- Grades 3, 4, and 5 will attend the Theatre Works field trip on Tuesday, March 16th. Field trip permission forms will be coming home.
- There will be no school on Wednesday, March 17.
- Progress Reports are being mailed home this week.

## **Sr. Thea Bowman Families**

Ms. Nunns, Bowman Program Coordinator

- Girls arriving late to school is still a HUGE problem. High schools require we submit the number of times girls are late. They take tardiness very seriously. Please help us to make this clear to the girls. Many of them are spending time at the corner store and then coming to school late.
- We will be doing more frequent locker clean outs. Some of the girls are not complying with the NO FOOD policy at Bowman. They are keeping food and drink in their locker. Not only is this against school policy, but it attracts rodents into the school.
- We need three parents from each class to attend the Theater Works field trip next week. Please help if you can. Contact Ms. Nunns.
- 6th grade parents- Thanks again for your attendance at the parent/student meeting a few weeks back. Please continue to follow up with your daughter and her teachers about her behavior and respect towards her fellow classmates and teachers.
- Parents please be aware that a letter regarding Summer Bridge and forms for summer camp was sent home today in the red folders.
- Summer Bridge for Bowman will start June 28 and go until July 9. The girls will leave for Summer Camp on July 12. There will be an informational meeting about camp May 12. Please plan on attending. More information will come but remember that Summer Bridge and Camp are mandatory!

## **St. Aloysius Gonzaga Families**

Ms. Scott, Gonzaga Program Coordinator

- A large amount of boys are not handing in their homework, class work, or projects. Detention will start at 5:15 for those students who are not completing assignments, still coming to school late, and receiving JUG during class time.
- Progress reports are being mailed this week.
- Students still have the time to pull up their grades before the third report card. The third quarter ends March 31, 2010. Any make up work handed in after the progress reports will get graded counted for the third marking period.
- March 18th trip to Town Hall. The trip is free, but all students will need to bring their lunch.
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