Dear Academy Families,
In continuing with our studies on Pope Francis this week, we have discovered that he is a quite an advocate for the importance of youth playing sports. "Every sport has its worth --not just in physical and social benefits, but also morally in the ways it can offer people, especially kids, a chance to experience a more balanced life, self-control, sacrifice and loyalty toward others", Pope Francis said. He reminds us that the Bible teaches us that... [Click here to read more.]

**MF & UF 'EXTRA-HELP' SESSIONS:**

**CHANGE in POLICY FOR 2015-2016**

Teachers of students in grades four through eight will provide an opportunity for students to receive extra help from 3:00pm to 3:25pm (Tuesday or Thursday, depending on the teacher; to be announced soon). This year, however, students must come prepared to ask specific questions rather than just using it as a study hall. Teachers provide this service, at no cost, as academic assistance rather than just supervised study hall or an opportunity for parents to push 'pickup time' back by 30 minutes each day. We appreciate your adherence to this new policy, and we look forward to helping your son succeed!

**S.E.A STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

The Student Council election process is well under way. Candidates in
grades 6-8 have hung their colorful and clever campaign materials in the hallways and they delivered their speeches to the faculty, staff and student body on Monday. Election Day is THIS Monday (Sept. 28th). Click here to see which students are running. Good Luck to all candidates! Please contact Mr. Reichert with questions.

FALL 2015 LANCER ATHLETICS

We've always been known for our amazing athletics programs. Fall Sports include Cross Country, Varsity Soccer, Junior Varsity Soccer and 3rd & 4th Grade Soccer. Click here to see which events you can attend THIS WEEKEND in support of your favorite Lancer athlete. Also, please note that Instructional Soccer Starts continues today and again 10/2, and 10/16 from 3:20-4:20pm. Please contact our Athletic Director, Ryan Holsten '93 for info.

'3-ON-3' BASKETBALL CONTEST

Saint Edmond's Academy is sponsoring the 1st Annual S.E.A '3-on-3' Basketball Contest. The dates of this event are Friday night, October 23 and Saturday October 24. There are eight separate divisions. It will start with a 3rd/4th/5th grade division for both boys and girls up to an open elite division. We will be using both gymnasiums at SEA. For more details or to complete the registration form click here.

an UPDATE and a VOLUNTEER REQUEST from the S.E.A PARENTS' GUILD

With the support of our school families, the Parents' Guild has already hosted the New Parent Social on Meet the Teacher Nights as well as the liturgy and picnic last weekend. We continue to welcome our new and current parents. With great anticipation, we continue the tradition of Grandparents' Day at S.E.A on Friday, October 2nd. We ask for your volunteer efforts with preparing desserts, Columbus Day (No Classes!)

MONDAY, 10/19
Tag Day (no cost)

TUESDAY, 10/20
Winter Uniform Begins (all grades)

WEDNESDAY, 10/21
JK-5 Picture Day

THURSDAY, 10/22
Gr.6-8 Picture Day

LETTER DAYS

Monday, 9/28 'c'
Tuesday, 9/29 'd'
Wednesday, 9/30 'e'
Thursday, 10/1 'f'
Friday, 10/2 'a'

EXCITING AFTER-SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Click here to view the Fall performing arts opportunities for students in grades 2 through 8. Also, please note that Jazz Band will be held Mondays starting in October.

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serving our guests or helping with the setup. Help is needed on Thursday, October 1st and Friday, October 2nd. Please click here to offer your help. The contact person for this amazing event is Mercedes Migliore. We welcome all your efforts.

GRANDPARENTS’ DAY is NEXT FRIDAY

Grandparents’ Day is next Friday (10/2). Your son’s grandparents (or special guests) should have received their invitations already. If not, please contact us ASAP. Registration begins at 9am and is followed by a prayer service, student performances, classroom visits, school tours and lunch for adults (students eat separately.) The day will culminate with the much beloved student tug-of-war in the fieldhouse. If you are new to the Academy, or if guests you would like to have invited need contact information updated, please click here. Invitations are sent out 9/15. Please contact Ms. Helen Foster with questions or concerns.

BOX TOPS for EDUCATION

A letter explaining the Box Tops for Education Program was sent home with your son this week. Please support our collection efforts by clipping box tops from products in your home. Don't forget...We earned $831 from our participation in the Box Tops for Education program last year. Click here to read a letter from Mrs. Janice Lehmann (mother of Parker and Connor) who has been kind enough to offer to lead S.E.A in this endeavor.

CAFETERIA HELP REQUESTED!

If you haven't yet signed up to help in the cafeteria, please do so. We need at least 3 volunteers for each day, and we're asking all families to sign up for at least one day! Please click here to see our list of immediate need. Click
on the link below to join the fun.

SERVICE HOURS at S.E.A
Service hours are available throughout the year at SEA (after school and/or on weekends). The next opportunity is set up for the Pumpkin Carve on Thursday, 10/22 (5pm-9pm) or clean up on Sunday, 10/25 (9am-12pm). For more info, please email Helen Foster.

EARLY 'DROP-OFF' POLICY
Click here for a reminder of our new 'early' dropoff policy.