

Friday Flash
September 4, 2009

Reminder – There is NO SCHOOL on Monday, September 7th. It is Labor Day!

Volunteer Hours Rolodex – The rolodex for logging volunteer hours is now on the front counter in the office. Please log your hours on the appropriate card (family name) or note on the card if you hold an “exempt job.” (These include head room parents, coaches, school board members, etc.) Remember, you are responsible for 25 hours of volunteer service a year, 12.5 hours for single parents or spouses of deployed military members. If you have questions, call Lisa Hoey at [See office for number]. Remember to save 2 hours for Carnival!

Counselor Column – Ginna Kennedy will be at school on Tuesdays and Thursdays and can be reached through the school office. Military lunch groups will continue this year and any student with a parent on active duty or retired from the Military may participate. Please send Mrs. Kennedy a note with student names and homeroom teacher if you want your student(s) to participate.

Need Volunteer Hours? - Work at home, helping to generate the St. Matthew’s School Directory. Call Dawn Feldman if you are interested in helping.

Campbell’s Labels for Education – Please collect and send in your labels with your child, marked with his/her name, class and amount. 100 labels (including box tops) = 1 Dress Down Pass (or ice cream pass for PK & K). Please separate Campbell’s Labels from Box Tops and send in two separate bags. See attachment for what to save.

Soccer Information - Soccer teams have been finalized. If you have not been contacted by a coach, please contact Tracie Caudill at smssoccer@cox.net or [See office for number]. Also, players are still needed for Kindergarten boys.

Santa’s Shop – Santa will be in her workshop every Thursday starting September 10th. If you have time in the evenings or weekends, contact Amy Folkes @ [See office for number] or oldsurferman@aol.com. There is much to do! Christmas is only 114 days away!

Reminder – Lunch money needs to go with your child in a separate envelope. Lunch is handled in individual classrooms first thing in the morning.

EDLINE Activation - Please activate your EDLINE accounts as soon as possible. Many teachers have already posted a lot of material on their site and grades are starting to get posted.

Junior Lego League – Will be starting its second season at St. Matthew’s! The Junior Lego League is open to all boys and girls in grades 1 – 3. The league will meet two Friday afternoons each month throughout the school year. During the meetings, the “Lego Masters” will be working on the challenge that will be released on September 3rd by the International Junior FIRST Lego League. This year’s challenge is titled, “Transforming Transportation.” If your son or daughter is interested in registering for the SMS Junior Lego League, please contact Kathleen Hardesty at klhardesty@yahoo.com.

Standard Poodle Puppies for Sale – Adorable poodle puppies! If you like the Obama dog, you will love the Standard Poodle. Nonshedding, hypoallergenic, sporty, fun loving and smart. They are 9 weeks old. Call [See office for number].

Chess Club – Some of our students have expressed interest in forming a chess club. We are looking for a parent who enjoys chess and would be willing to run this club. Please contact Mr. Goldberg if interested.

Host Families Needed – Bishop Sullivan Catholic High School and St. Matthew’s School will be welcoming international students for the second semester of the 2009-2010 school year! Students speak English, have full medical and liability insurance, and bring their own pocket money for personal expenses. Host families provide room and board and receive a \$450.00 monthly hosting stipend. If you have room in your heart and a home for one of these great students, please contact Maxine Williams for Catholic High students or Susan Ball for St. Matthew’s students [See office for numbers]

Picture Day – Wednesday, Sept. 16th pictures will be taken for PK through grade 3. It is a dress up day for those grades only. Thursday, Sept. 17th pictures will be taken for 4th through 8th grades. It is a dress up day for those grades only.

We are still in need of a crossing guard here at St. Matthew’s School. This is a paid position.