



Patriot Passages

... a newsletter for parents and friends

September 1, 2010

"All Saints Episcopal School is committed to providing a classical education for the whole child, recognizing that each has different gifts, talents, and abilities, while challenging the mind and body and nurturing the spirit.

All children who come to us will develop a foundation of academic skills, spiritual awareness, and self-worth that enables them to become intellectual and social contributors to the world."

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WELCOME!

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year at All Saints Episcopal School! For some of our families, this is your 11th year at All Saints. For others, you are nearing your 11th day as a Patriot. Either way, we are glad you are a part of the All Saints Community!

PATRIOT PASSAGES

Patriot Passages, this parent bulletin, is prepared every other Wednesday during the school year. Issues are available on the school website at www.allsaintsschool.org under the newsletter button at the bottom of the homepage.

Issues are also emailed in PDF format to all parents who have provided an email address to the school office. In addition, printed copies are available at both entrances to Hanslik gym as well as in the office.

ADMISSIONS UPDATE

It is with great pride that we announce that we started this school year with **314** students enrolled. We thank our best source of recruitment: word of mouth from committed, happy families! Time and time again, new families share that they first learned of All Saints from current families. Thank you for sharing your positive feelings of All Saints with others!

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Wednesday, September 22 and Thursday, September 23, 1:00-4:30 pm.**

SCHOOL WILL BE DISMISSED AT 12:00 NOON BOTH AFTERNOONS.

Progress Conferences are an integral part of our program, and we request that both parents attend if at all possible. Please note the conference is for parents only, not your child. Because children will not be involved in the conference, it is preferable that they not come to school during your conference period.

BEGINNING ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, parents are asked to go online to schedule their teacher conference. The process is easy! Detailed instructions for scheduling your Parent/Teacher Conferences are found on page 4.

If there is a specific date or time that you would prefer for your conference, please go online as soon as possible to schedule your meeting time.

Patriot Passages will be published on the following dates this year:

September 8, 22
October 6, 20
November 3, 17
December 1, 15
January 5, 19
February 2, 16
March 2, 23
April 6, 20
May 4, 18

Deadlines for submission are noon on the Friday prior to the publish date.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thurs., Sept. 2	4:30 pm 5:00 pm 5:30 pm	7th grade Volleyball vs. Plainview Christian Academy Football game at Midland Trinity 8th grade Volleyball vs. Plainview Christian Academy
Mon., Sept. 6		No school, Labor Day Holiday (Afternoon Fun not available)
Tues., Sept. 7	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	8th grade Volleyball vs. Lubbock Southcrest Christian School 8th grade Volleyball vs. Lubbock Home School
Wed., Sept. 8		Wednesday Spirit Shirt Day
Thurs., Sept. 9	5:00 pm 3:30-4:30 pm	Football game at Amarillo Holy Cross Girl Scout sign ups in the music room
Fri., Sept. 10		Happy Friday!
Sat., Sept. 11	TBA	All Saints 8th grade Volleyball Tournament
Mon., Sept. 13	4:00 pm/5:00 pm	7th grade/8th grade Volleyball vs. Lubbock Trinity
Tues., Sept. 14	9:00-11:00 am	Pre-First Field trip to the Apple Orchard
Wed., Sept. 15		Wednesday Spirit Shirt Day

LOOKING AHEAD

September 16	Volleyball AND Football vs. Amarillo St. Andrew's
September 18	All Saints 7th grade Volleyball Tournament, TBA
September 21	Volleyball at Lubbock Home School
September 22 and 23	School dismisses at Noon; Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1-4pm
September 23	Volleyball at Lubbock Christian School; Football at Plainview
September 24	4th grade trip to Carlsbad Caverns, Progress Reports Mailed home
September 27	Fall Book Fair begins; 8th grade trip to MO Ranch
September 30	Football game vs. Midland St. Ann's; 8th grade returns from MO Ranch
October 1	Fall Book Fair concludes; Amarillo St. Andrew's 8th grade Volleyball Tournament
October 4	St. Francis Day Eucharist - DRESS UNIFORM; School and Yearbook photos taken Volleyball at Lubbock Southcrest
October 5	Blessing of the Animals
October 7	Volleyball at Plainview Christian; Football vs. Kingdom Prep
October 8, 11	School Not in Session - FALL BREAK (Afternoon Fun not available)
October 14	HOMECOMING Football vs. Lubbock Christ the King
October 15	Grandparents and Special Friends Day, DRESS UNIFORM
October 18	Volleyball against Lubbock Christ the King
October 23	WTCAA Football and Volleyball Playoffs, TBA
October 29	Fall Festival; School dismisses at noon

Please note: When a game is listed as "vs." it is a home game. When listed as "at" it is an away game.

OFFICE REMINDERS

Student forms were sent home last week. These forms should be returned to the homebase teachers of the office as soon as possible.

- Please remember that students ***will not*** be allowed to go on a field trip until the Field Trip Release Form is signed by the respective parent and is on file in the office.
- Student Rosters will be compiled with the information submitted THIS WEEK.
- In addition, all parents interested in serving as a field trip driver must have a 2010-2011 Background Check form completed in the office, as well as a copy of his or her driver's license and proof of insurance on file in the office. Thank you for your attention to this matter!

LIBRARY NEWS

Every year, many families choose to commemorate their children's birthdays by making a donation to the library for a "birthday book." This is a great way to celebrate a special day and to help our library grow. A book will be selected with the child's age and interests in mind. A "birthday club" bookplate with the child's name, grade, and birthdate is attached. The birthday boy or girl is the first to check out his or her special book. Thank you so much for making our library happen!

PLEASE RETURN YOUR STUDENT INFORMATION FORMS THIS WEEK! YOUR PATRIOT OFFICE STAFF THANKS YOU!!

CHAPEL PARTICIPANTS

	Sept. 2 (Thurs)	Sept. 3 (Fri)	Sept. 6 (Mon)	Sept. 7 (Tues)	Sept. 8 (Wed)
Lesson	Zoe Dorsett	Madison Hales	School	Sabrina Liu	Alice von Ende-Becker
Psalm	Sloan Franklin	Matthew Levine	Holiday	Timothy Martinelli	Jack Walter
Acolytes	Sabrina Liu Jack Wilkinson Timothy Martinelli Paul D’Cunha	Connor Abernathie Jack Walter Alice von Ende-Becker Stephanie Zias		Paul D’Cunha Connor Abernathie Sloan Franklin Stephanie Zias	Lily Blue Zoe Dorsett Matthew Levine Jack Wilkinson
	Sept. 9 (Thurs)	Sept. 10 (Fri)	Sept. 13 (Mon)	Sept. 14 (Tues)	Sept. 15 (Wed)
Lesson	Jack Wilkinson	Jaclyn Barrett	Will Castro	Madeline D’Alise	Cole Fewin
Psalm	Stephanie Zias	Jacob Bayouth	Serene Borno	Olivia Dobrin	Adithi Govindan
Acolytes	Jacob Clements Nikhil Dihenia Madison Hales Sabrina Liu	D.J. MacCallister Mykel McDonald Hayes McKibben Michael Moss	Jonathan Potocki Truman Roberts Brody Sargent Pretom Shome	Max Small Ben Tipton Viren Vasandani Lauren Windisch	Jaclyn Barrett Jacob Bayouth Serene Borno Will Castro
<i>Please remember, if your student is scheduled to acolyte, he or she needs to be in the music room no later than 7:45 a.m. on the morning in which he/she is scheduled to serve. After 7:45 a.m., we find replacements as needed, in order to provide time to practice.</i>					

CHAPEL NOTES

It is an honor and pleasure to begin another school year serving as your chaplain at All Saints. My studies for Ordination to the Deaconate in the Episcopal Church continue, and I am grateful for your prayers and support.

The responsibility of being your chaplain is one I take most seriously. My goal remains the same: I pray for each person who attends chapel to leave feeling heartened and encouraged by what he or she believes. We are so blessed at All Saints to share in a rich diversity of faiths within our community. As a parent or special friend, you are a valued member of this community as well, and are welcome to attend chapel any day.

At this time, the Chapel committee is forming for this year. If you are interested in serving on this committee, let me know. In addition, I am on the lookout for a parent or parents who might be interested in helping launder with the altar linens on Eucharist days. If you would like to help, please let me know. God showers us with gifts each day; one of these gifts is All Saints Episcopal School. It promises to be a great year.

Peace, Chaplain Paige+

ART NEWS

Each week the art department chooses a Student Artist of the Week. Together, Mrs. Lemon and Mrs. Wirz will choose an art student based on a positive attitude, doing his or her personal best, as well as respect for classmates, supplies, and the teacher. The Artist of the Week will be announced on Monday mornings during chapel. During announcements following chapel, the student will lead the school in the Pledge of Allegiance. This All Saints tradition resumes later in September.

BOOKSTORE NEWS

The Bookstore is open during the school year Monday mornings from 7:45-8:45 am, and Wednesday afternoons from 3:45-4:45 pm. The online bookstore is always open at www.allsaintsbookstore.org. See you at the bookstore!

MUSIC NOTES

Remember to sign up for Friday Musical Offering if you have something you would like to perform for the school. Whether you play an instrument or sing, we want you to share your talent! Sign up forms are on the bulletin board in the Music Room-- come by anytime and we will set up an audition time for you! If you have any questions about Friday Musical Offering, please contact Mrs. Alcayaga, our music/choir teacher.

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PARENT/TEACHER PROGRESS CONFERENCES**

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1. Go to: <https://www.pickatime.com/client?ven=11603231> (A link to this will be on the allsaintsschool.org home page beginning on Friday, September 3.)
2. Enter in the email address we have on file for you at All Saints.
3. RETURNING PARENTS: If you remember your password from when you scheduled your May '10 conferences, enter it as well. Click the 'Login/Create Account' button. (If you do not remember your password, click on the 'Forgot my Password' button and your password will be emailed to you.)
NEW PARENTS: Click the 'Login/Create Account' button. Follow the directions on the screen, entering in the requested information, and click the 'OK' button.
4. Follow the directions on the screen, entering in the requested information, and click the 'OK' button.
5. Once logged into the system, select the day you would like to make your appointments.
6. RETURNING PARENTS: Your student's ID information should appear. (Preschool through 4th grade Student IDs were sent home in Wednesday folders this week.) If you are prompted to enter in your student's ID and birthdate, please contact the school office for this information if you do not have it.
NEW PARENTS: Using your child's Student ID and Birth date, log in your student. Preschool through 4th grade Student IDs were sent home in Wednesday folders this week, and you can call the office for your Middle School student's ID number. (Repeat for any additional student children in your family.)
7. A legend will appear with your child's teacher(s). Black squares display appointments you have made and white squares are unavailable appointments (already booked or teacher is unavailable).
8. To schedule your appointment, click the colored square for the teacher and time you would like. If you would like a reminder, complete the reminder information and click Create Appointment. Repeat until all appointments have been scheduled. (The time slot will turn black to indicate your appointment with this teacher.)
9. Click Printable Schedule to view your schedule. Use your browser's Print command to print. Click the Return button on the screen (not keyboard) when finished printing.
10. Click Logout when completed.

If you would like to change or cancel your appointment(s), you will need to login and click Your Schedule and choose either Cancel or Change Time. Follow the directions on the screen. Note: Don't forget to print your new schedule.

Please email or call Paige McKay (pmckay@allsaintsschool.org or 806-745-7701) in the school office if you have any questions about using the Pick A Time online scheduling system. Thanks!

Please note: Preschool conferences are held in the library. All other conferences are held in the individual classrooms.

LUNCHROOM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
No experience required! Sign up to help one day a week, or all five! Hours are 11 am - 1 pm. Join the Lunch Bunch and spend time helping in one of the best areas at All Saints!

Contact Theresa Young in the office for more information or to sign up!

WASHER AND DRYER WANTED!
We are on the lookout for a washer and dryer for our gym/concession area.

If you know of a washer and/or dryer that is in great shape and is no longer being used, please contact Buck Maples at 745-7701 or bmaples@allsaintsschool.org.