

Immaculate Conception - St. Joseph
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It was great to see so many people at Open House on Monday night. Thank you for the support you show for your child(ren)'s education! Thanks, too, to everyone who shopped at the Book Fair. We were able to purchase \$311.00 worth of books for the libraries.

Magazine Sale - Our annual Magazine Sales Drive will kickoff tomorrow, September 18, and continue through October 5. This is a huge fund raiser for our school! So ask the people at work, your neighbors, relatives, and people from your parish. If you do not have relatives in the area, at least fill out the postcard booklets. For these, please make sure that your student lists people who are outside of the local phone book. Students will receive a list of prizes at the kickoff.

Newsletter Articles - Please send all newsletter items to school by 8:00 AM on Wednesday, September 23. Newsletter items should be e-mailed to:
icsjnewsletter@boscosystem.pvt.k12.ia.us.

Second Grade Parent Meeting - There will be a parent meeting for First Reconciliation on Tuesday, September 22. It will begin at 6:00 PM and will be held at St. Joseph Church in Raymond. This is for parents only- children do not need to come.

Tutoring is available on the Waterloo Public Library web site (www.waterloo.lib.ia.us). Simply find the Tutorvista link and enter your library card number. Your child will get live, one-on-one sessions with qualified tutors who are experts in their field. This service is offered from 3-11 pm seven days per week at no cost to you.

Harvestfest Committee Members will be available in the Heritage Room this weekend before and after Mass for parishioners to sign up to help for the annual Harvestfest celebration which is Oct. 18th. Please show your support to your parish and sign-up early. If you cannot sign up this weekend and would like to sign up, please call Nikki Brown at 296-3982 for available time slots. There will also be sign-ups the weekend of September 27th. Thanks for your support!

SIAC Committee - The Student Improvement Advisory Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, September 22 at 3:30 in the Don Bosco Library. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to be a part of this committee. This committee discusses ideas on school improvements and takes suggestions from students, parents, and teachers. If you have been on this committee in the past, hopefully we will see you there. We will be looking at future improvements/ideas for Bosco School System. Call Sheri Purdy at 287-6673 if you have questions.

Target Visa - Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph Schools received a check in the amount of \$1,261.10 from Target Corporation - Take Charge of Education. Thank you to all who use their Target card to support our school.

The Waterloo School buses are not running tomorrow, September 18.
Parents will need to provide transportation for their students.
The transfer buses will run to and from Raymond and to ABC.

Reminder to please label all your student's belongings including lunch boxes.

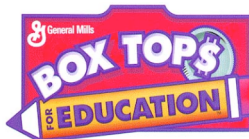
SCRIP News - Our profit last week was \$467.70! More info on the new shopwithscrip.com program ... this is another way for you to purchase SCRIP - online at www.boscosystem.net - click on the shopwithscrip.com link and it will take you to the page to register. Once you've registered, signed up for Presto-Pay, verified your account, you can then shop online to make your SCRIP purchases. There is a 39¢ charge per order to do this. You will need to sign a delivery/waiver form beforehand so we know how to deliver your order. Orders placed by Sunday will go on the Monday order and will be delivered by the following Thursday. You can still purchase SCRIP by sending your orders to school, at Regions Bank in Gilbertville, Farmers State Bank in Raymond, or before and after Mass each weekend at IC. Do what works best for you...we just want to make sure that everyone can (and will) purchase SCRIP on a regular basis. If you have questions or need to discuss ways to purchase your SCRIP please contact me. If your business purchases gift cards for employees or customers please talk to them about using our SCRIP program to do so - we will make it VERY easy for them with no additional cost. Thanks for using SCRIP! Kim Rottinghaus (319) 239-1672 or krottinghaus@boscosystem.pvt.k12.ia.us

DB Football Pep Bus - We will be taking a Pep Bus to the away football games again this year as long as we have enough people to ride the bus. Cost will be \$10/person - this includes gate admission. Sign up and pay for the ride at the DB office by Thursday before each away game (9/18, 9/25, 10/6). Bus departure times will be given when you sign up for each game. This is open to both students and adults. For more information call 296-1692 or 827-6056.

The **Catholic Order of Foresters Youth Members** can see "Cloudy With A Chance of Meatballs" for \$1.00 at the Starlight Cinema, 2401 Swan Lake Blvd. in Independence, (take exit 252). The movie starts at 4:15 PM Sunday, September 27. Parents & friends can see the movie for \$5.00. If Questions call Donna Delagardelle @ 239-9945.

Activity Passes Available - Buy your Activity Pass now for the year. A pass for K-8 students is \$20 and a pass for DB students is \$35 . Also available for students and adults are punch passes, \$32 worth of punches for \$20. These passes are good for all activities at IC/St. Joe's and Don Bosco (except football, drama, band, and post season games) for the entire 09-10 school year. You may sign up to purchase a pass in the school offices OR at any home event.

Youth Group News - Join us at this year's first gathering on September 23 for the Middle School students. We will again meet Wednesday nights at the Convent from 6:30-8:00PM. We welcome everyone to attend. If you enjoyed YG last year, please join again and bring a friend!



Congratulations!! The following classrooms brought in 75 Box Top labels. They have earned a jean day with a uniform shirt for Friday, September 18.

Mrs. Feldmann, Mrs. Neverman, Mrs. Peters, 203, 206, 207, 103, 104, and 107.

Math Tutoring

Dear Parents,

I will be offering some extra help in Math after school on Thursdays until 3:00 PM. I tutored some individuals last year, and would like to open it up to any students who would like some extra help. Transportation will not be provided after the tutoring session. If interested in this offer, please return this note signed. We will be starting next Thursday, September 24, 2009.

Thank you,
Ms. Denbow

Middle School Math Tutoring

I _____ am interested in participating in the tutoring session after school on Tuesdays.

parent signature

Essay Contest - The Waterloo Elks are sponsoring two essay contests. One is for students in grades 6-8 with the topic The American Dream: What Is It? The other contest asks 6th grade students to write an essay on the topic Our Flag - What it Means to Me. Winning essays will receive US Savings Bond prizes. Interested students should stop in the IC office for a copy of the rules and an entry form. Essay deadline is December 2, 2009.

DB Apparel - I would like to start off by saying Thank You for your patience while Shannon, Amy and I learn the ins and outs of this job. It is very confusing at times and your patience and cooperation is so appreciated. I will be instituting something new for IC/SJ Sports. Starting with Boys Basketball, I am working on an order form for t-shirts that can be purchased so parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers and extended friends and family can support their athletes at all the games. Please ask your children for the order form. I will plan on having it ready to go by Oct. 8th. There will be a one week time frame in which you can place your order. All orders will be due within the week of the start of the form and due by noon on Thursday of that week. ALL orders not in by that time will NOT be accepted. In order to get the orders in and back to us in time ALL orders will have to be turned into school. Also, ALL money must be paid in full when ordering. We are trying to get things to run as smoothly as possible and if we work well with the vendors they will work hard for us. Again, thank you for all your support and cooperation. AND be looking for the order forms the first full week of October. Stephanie Gardner

Those of you who were not able to stop in to see the video clip on the teenage brain may want to go online and watch the PBS/Nova show. I recommend it to everyone who is around adolescents! The program is divided into segments and can be watched a little at a time. The address is <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/shows/teenbrain/>

Kathy Millett

Middle School Math Club - Students who are interested in competing in the Math Bee and/or the Mathcounts competitions are invited to begin preparing for these competitions on Tuesdays after school until 3:30.

The Area Education Agency (AEA) Math Bee local competition is scheduled for Friday, March 6, with the state competition in April. Math Bee is for students in 6th grade. All participants must be in 6th grade regardless of the level of math class they are in.

The local Mathcounts competition will be held between February 1-26, with State on March 26, 2010. Mathcounts is for any student in grades 6, 7 and 8.

Students who are interested in participating should return the form below with a parent signature.

Ms. Denbow will meet with students in 102 at IC on the following dates:

Meeting Schedule:

October 6- all	January 19--Mathcounts participants only
October 13--all	January 26--Mathcounts participants only
October 20--all	February 2--Mathcounts participants only
October 27--all	February 9--Mathcounts participants only
November 3--all	February 16-Mathcounts participants only
November 10--all	Saturday, February 20--Mathcounts competition at
November 17--all	Hawkeye Community College (Snow date Feb. 29)
November 24--all	February 23--Math Bee participants only
December 1--all	March 2-Math Bee participants only
December 8--all	March 10- Math Bee Participants only
December 15--all	Friday, March 12--Math Bee at AEA267
January 5--all	March --Mathcounts State participants only
January 12-all	Friday, March --State Mathcounts competition at
	Drake University

Keep this top portion so you have the schedule. Sessions will be cancelled as needed for weather. Return the bottom portion of this page to Ms. Denbow .

Middle School Math Club

I _____ am interested in participating in the math club and possibly representing our school at the Math Bee and/or Mathcounts competitions.

parent signature