

MONDAY MEMO

February 1, 2010

EVENTS CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 1

Advanced Band, 7:30am
Science Adventures, *Wildlife Safari*
3:15 - 4:15pm
Middle School Math Club, 3:15-4:15pm

Tuesday, Feb. 2

Beg. Band, 7:30am
Liturgical Choir, 7:35am
Parenting Seminar, Parlor, 8:30am
Chess Club, 3:15 - 4:15pm
Writing Club, 3:15 - 4:15pm
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

Wednesday, Feb. 3

Adv. Band, 7:30am
Parents in Prayer, Chapel, 8:35am
Early Dismissal, 2:15pm
Woodworking, Rm. 234, 2:15-3:45pm

Thursday, Feb. 4

Beginning Band, 7:30am
Green Team, 3:15-4:30pm
Jewelry Making, Rm. 234, 3:15-4:45pm
Talent Show Rehearsal Gym, 3:15-5:15pm
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

Friday, Feb. 5

Free Dress
2nd Trimester Spirit Day
Villa Voices, 7:30am
VPA Meeting, Parlor, 8:45am
Talent Show I: 10:30am
Talent Show II: 2:00pm
Ski Bus, 3:30-10:00pm

Monday, Feb. 8

Advanced Band, 7:30am
Science Adventures, 3:15 - 4:15pm
Middle School Math Club, 3:15-4:15pm
Evening with the Board of Trustees and the
Head of School, Theater, 7:00pm

Dear Villa Academy Families,

This week we are observing Catholic Schools Week, a time to celebrate the many strong and enduring facets of Catholic education. Each day of the week will have a special theme:

- Monday, February 1: Catholic Schools & Villa Academy
- Tuesday, February 2: Our Parents & Morals
- Wednesday, February 3: Our Staff & Personal Responsibility
- Thursday, February 4: Our Community & Faith
- Friday, February 5: Our Students and Knowledge



The "Change for Haiti" drive sponsored by the Student Emergency Response Team (SERT) will continue as we support the ongoing relief efforts in Haiti. We are encouraging the students to find ways to earn money or to use their own funds to support the drive, which ends on Friday.

Daily prayer and reflection will be attuned to Catholic traditions related to social justice and our current religious education program. It's a good time for the teachers and students to pause and talk about our core values – the Cabrinian tradition, compassionate service to others, respect for all, and our call to be whole and balanced individuals.

And, of course, there are many activities to show our school spirit and the talents of our student body. On Friday, February 5, students will be performing in the annual Talent Shows at 10:30am and 2:00pm, in the Gym.

As you can see, there is a lot going on this week to celebrate our identity as a Catholic independent school. On behalf of our students, teachers, staff, and administrators, I thank you for your investment in

Catholic education. Through your generosity, time, and volunteer efforts in support of the students, staff, and school, we can ensure that Villa Academy provides "Dividends for Life."

Planning, 2010-2011: We are actively planning for the upcoming school year on many fronts. I will update you on initiatives that are on the front burner to continue to grow and improve the day-to-day experience of our students through program, instructional, and schedule enhancements.

By now you should have received a letter from Lisa Percival, Chair of the Board, and me, regarding the Board of Trustees' tuition increase for 2010-2011. As noted in our letter, we will be hosting an evening for parents with the Trustees and Head of School on Monday, February 8, 2010, at 7:00pm in the Theater, to answer questions you may have, and to discuss the process of making financial decisions.

God Bless,

Polly Skinner

Head of School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Villa Health Screening Update and Thank You. Read more.

<http://thevilla.org/weblog/2010/01/28/villa-academy-2010-health-screening/>

Science Fair Judges Needed: Read more.

<http://www.thevilla.org/community/documents/ScienceFairJudgesInfo2010.pdf>

- To sign up, click here:

<http://www.thevilla.org/community/documents/MiddleSchoolScienceFairJudgesRegistrationForm.pdf>

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

VILLA AUCTION – MARCH 6, 2010

[Register Now to Attend the Auction!](#)

<https://thevilla.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/PalmBeachGetaway/Registration/tabid/184313/Default.aspx>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

SERT NEWS

Your spare change helps the Villa Student Emergency Response Team support relief work in Haiti! Read more. <http://thevilla.org/weblog/2010/01/21/change-for-haiti-drive/>

FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE

Re-Enrollment Reminder:

- Please make sure that all tuition payments are in as soon as possible. January statements were mailed January 20.
- **Re-enrollment Agreements will be sent home in February only to families who are current on their tuition accounts.**

Please contact Cathleen Schilling (206-729-0219 ext.263) in the Business Office with questions.

FROM THE LOWER AND MIDDLE SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Optional Spring Conferences: Read More. <http://thevilla.org/weblog/2010/01/22/optional-spring-conference/>

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Catholic Schools Week: Read more. <http://thevilla.org/weblog/2010/01/19/catholic-schools-week-dividends-for-life/>

Talent Show Dress Rehearsal: Thursday, February 4, Gym, 3:15-5:15
Talent Shows: Friday, February 5, Gym, Part I -10:30
Part II - 2:00

- Click [HERE](http://thevilla.org/community/documents/2010TalentShowsPartsIandII.pdf) to see which performance will feature your child.
<http://thevilla.org/community/documents/2010TalentShowsPartsIandII.pdf>

Spirit Day Free Dress OPTION: Friday, February 5

In celebration of our Olympic-themed Talent Shows, "villa 2010," and our Second Trimester Spirit Day, students may choose to wear a favorite sports uniform.



FROM THE PARENT ASSOCIATION

Parent Education Seminar at Villa Tuesday, February 2, 8:45am, in the Parlor

VPA Meets Friday, February 5

Join us on Friday, February 5, 8:45am, in the Parlor for the February Villa Parent Association meeting. Everyone is welcome!

Gift to School! Gift to school ideas are due by February 15.

Read more. <http://thevilla.org/community/parentassociation/index.html>

Spirit Items: Talent Show DVD's - Order Now!!!

<http://thevilla.org/community/documents/SpiritOrderForm2010.pdf>

Your student will enjoy watching the "villa 2010" Talent Show and past shows. Please remember this is an amateur recording and acts are not recorded in their entirety.

CYO CORNER

Thank you to everyone who came out to support Villa's CYO program on Friday night! I hope that you all had a fun night of poker and fellowship. A special thank you to Steve T., Chrissy A. and everyone else who helped to put together this event. It would not have happened without you!

Basketball: Check out the basketball scores including the 7th Grade boys' playoff game this past weekend.

Volleyball: Registration deadline this Friday, February 5. Practices are beginning this week for most teams. Click below to learn more about 8th Grade girls' tryouts.

Ultimate Frisbee: Registration deadline this Friday, February 5.

Baseball: Click below for Registration information.

For the above information and more: <http://thevilla.org/community/SportsNews.html>

EDP NEWS

Villa Ventures Update: The Villa Ventures summer catalog will be available soon and registration is right around the corner.

Join us at one of the following events:

15th-Annual Summer Opportunity Showcase, Thursday, February 4, from 5:00-8:00pm
in the New Gym at The **Bush School!**

Parent Map Camp Fair at St. Thomas on Saturday, February 6, from 11:00am-3:00pm.

Science Adventures new session, *Wildlife Safari*, starts today, Monday, February 1, at 3:15 in Rm. 234.

Piano Lessons at Villa now available on Mondays. Click here to register.

<http://thevilla.org/community/documents/2009PianoLessons.pdf>