

April 1, 2004

The Keystone State Reading Association and Governor Rendell have proclaimed April as Families and Reading Month.

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Parent reminders:

H & S Executive committee nomination forms are due tomorrow, April 2nd.

Please return your Guiding Good Choices reservation forms, as spaces are limited.

NCEA (National Catholic Education Association) LINK April newsletter for parents is available through our website www.icsjenkintown.org.

If you volunteer in the school during the school day, remember that you are required by the Bishops' decree to attend Child Abuse Prevention Training. You may attend an evening program sponsored by the VIRTUS organization through the parish or an Archdiocesan program. We have the Archdiocesan registration forms in the office and we keep your certificates on file. Archdiocesan workshops will be held:

--April 13 at St. Francis Xavier, Philadelphia

--April 20 at Nativity BVM, Philadelphia

--April 29 at St. Jude, Chalfont

All are scheduled for 4 to 6 pm. Registration forms need to be sent in 2 weeks prior to the in-service. You can send your forms in to the office and we will send them in for you.

Our parish Reconciliation Service will be held on Tuesday, April 6th at 7:00 pm. There will be 12 priests coming to hear individual confessions. Our students did not receive the sacrament in school so it is important that you attend with them.

Our band will be performing in The Music Man at Chestnut Hill College on April 2, 3, & 4. The show is set for evening performances on April 2 and April 3 at 8:00 p.m., and a Sunday matinee at 3:00 p.m. on April 4 in the College's Auditorium at 9601 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and children to age 12, and \$3 for students with ID. For advanced seating and more information, call 215-248-7110.

The ICS Express was awarded first place in the Delaware Valley Reading Association newspaper contest in the Middle School Division. The Express was judged outstanding in content, creativity, and originality. Our paper's senior writers and editors will be presented

with a plaque to celebrate their accomplishment at the Association's annual author reception with speaker, Pat Brisson, a well-known children's author. Congratulations to all our writers and editors with special thanks to Mrs. Cipolla who is so proud of her staff!

Congratulations to our Octathlon contestants. We are happy to announce that for the first time in Immaculate's history, every contestant won individual awards. In Grade 6: Lauren Gresko (3rd in Religion), Brian Frasca (1st in Math). In Grade 7: Zachary Good (2nd in Religion, 2nd in Math, 2nd in Art, 1st in Science, 3rd in History), Dennis Mizzoni (2nd in Music). In Grade 8: Thomas Kerr (3rd in Math), Andrew Bowman (2nd in Music). Special congratulations to Zachary who earned the honor of Top Scholar for the Grade 7 contestants.

Calendar Reminder: Wednesday, April 7th will be a 1/2 day session with a noon dismissal.

Our nurse, Linda Weismann's daughter is looking for any old sneakers for a school project...clean out your closet and we'll be happy to pass them on. Thank you!

Please continue to save your old calendars and small, empty, plastic containers (i.e., yogurt and margarine) for the Art department. Additionally save and send to school the ROUND plastic containers that recordable compact discs for computer CD writers are packed in. We use these items for our Art projects. Thank you!

Reminders: ***indicates items that need a response:

- * Reading Aloud to Your Children. We hope you will take time to create some special memories during April. Have fun reading together!
- * ICS Book Fair flyer.
- * Talent Show Rehearsal info on reverse of Book Fair flyer.
- * Alumni Mass & Reception Invitation.
- * Annual Student Photo/Interview Release form for registered students. ***
- * Hot Lunch envelope/order form. ***

Many of you paid for Wednesday, April 7th – don't forget that you can use it as a credit for this order!