

Notes from Mrs. Greco  
November 8, 2007

Congratulations to our Band students who auditioned for the Archdiocesan Honor Band and were accepted. Again this year, Immaculate has the distinction of having the highest number of students as members of the band. Honor Band includes Krista Goebel, Bridget Frasca, Maddy Good, Kyleigh McSherry, Martin Zefelippo, and Griffin Ripley. Also playing with the Festival Band are Bridget Frasca, Maddy Good, and Maria Sassane. Thank you, Mr. Schmauk for your guidance and sharing your talent with us!

If you have not had a chance to visit our accrediting organization's website [www.ces-msa.org](http://www.ces-msa.org), please take a moment to do so. Last year was our 3 year report year and our updated DOAS (Description of Accredited Schools) online was submitted in May. The report is an all faculty effort and drives our goal setting each year. Continued accreditation is an important component as we move forward on our school improvement journey. The summary (commendations and recommendations) of our DOAS analysis is included in communications today for your information.

Conference appointments are being sent home today. Please check your times and mark your calendar. We are aware that for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parents, our evening conferences are scheduled for the same evening as the 40 Hours closing procession. There was a change in the calendar for our parish 40 Hours devotion. If your schedule permits, your 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student is most welcome. There is no "required" number for a procession to take place and we didn't want to cancel this opportunity for the children to participate.

This month our emergency phone chain test run takes place. We need a few more callers for the Emergency Phone Chain. If you are able to phone a few families, please call the office to let us know!

Congratulations to the following ICS runners who finished in the top ten in their age group at the Area E Championship:

Sub Novice Girls:

1<sup>st</sup> Ryan Marie Good  
3<sup>rd</sup> Susanna Cantwell

Sub Novice Boys:

3<sup>rd</sup> Frank Depman

Novice Girls:

4<sup>th</sup> Annelise Depman

Minor Girls:

1<sup>st</sup> Josie Gelfin

Cadet Boys:

8<sup>th</sup> Brandon Robinson

Novice Boys:

6<sup>th</sup> Eddie Goebel

7<sup>th</sup> Michael Hopkins

Minor Boys:

5<sup>th</sup> Michael Phayre

In team results, our Sub Novice Girls and Novice Boys both earned 1<sup>st</sup> Place.

Reminders: OUR ALUMNI MASS is scheduled for Sunday, November 18 at the 11:30 mass with a reception following in the school. If you know of any alumni who are interested in participating in the Mass, please call the office as we finalize our planning. Readers, Cantors, Musicians, and former Liturgy Group members are most welcome. It's fun to be a part of this "homecoming" day. We look forward to seeing all our returning alumni - of all ages!

This week I announced to the students the requirements for Winter uniforms. Winter uniforms mean that a sweater or sweater vest must be worn (with the exception of girls in 1-4 who wear jumpers). If we have days that are unseasonably warm, students are allowed to remove sweaters in the classroom but all students are to report in full uniform each day. Shorts and skorts are no longer worn. They are an option for the summer uniform. Gym sweatpants and uniform sweatshirts with a uniform t-shirt underneath comprise the winter gym uniform. Thank you for helping to reinforce our uniform code.

The Catholic Standard & Times subscription drive ends on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Send in your renewals through school and our parish gets the "credit." Thank you!

Included with today's communication:

- Middle States 3 year report commendations & recommendations
- Conference appointment forms
- Tag Day information