

# SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Every day at Saint Ignatius Loyola School, the children's lessons are geared toward learning a new formula in math, taking a journey with a character in literature, understanding how our country gained its independence, just to name just a few. This week was a bit different for the students from the fourth grade to the eighth grade and the faculty when we came together in grade level assemblies and in a faculty meeting with Mrs. SuEllen Fried from *Bully Safe USA*. Mrs. Fried shared with the children the five types of bullying that exists: physical, verbal, emotional, gender/sexual and cyber bully, as well as the three roles there are in bullying: the bully, the target and the witness.

The children were extremely candid with Mrs. Fried with respect to where they felt they fell in the aforementioned categories and their feelings. You would have been so proud of your children and their honesty. So many wonderful things came out of the two days of the assemblies. Mrs. Fried shared with the children a saying that transcends generations, "Sticks and stones can break your bones but words will never harm you." Mrs. Fried discussed with them that the saying is wrong. Mrs. Fried told them we should have been taught: "**Sticks and stones can break your bones but words can break your heart.**" These are words that, no matter how old we are, we should take to heart and live by.

As we discussed when we met in March, Father Witt, Ms. Savarese and I will continue to make a concerted effort with the faculty and the children to address the topic of bullying. We will continue the conversation here in School, but we can not do this alone; I would ask that you continue the conversation with your child/ren at home.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin  
Principal

Attached to the weekly are the following:

Permission Slip – Grade K  
Safety Parent Patrol Calendar June 2010 - Grade 7  
Final Exam Schedule – Grades 1-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

## \*Important to Note:

- **Final Exams**  
There has been a change in the dates on the calendar for the administration of the final exams. Final exams will be administered to the Eighth Grade students the **Week of June 7**. Students in Grades 1 -7 will take their exams the **Week of June 14**. The Archdiocesan Religion Exam will be administered on **Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> for students in Grades 3-8. Students in Grade 1 -2 will also take their Religion Exam on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Tuition:** The final tuition bills have been mailed and payment is due by May 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup> – **Orchestra/Jazz Band Concert** at 6:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> – **Grades 4-8 Class Parent Meeting** in the Great Room at 8:45 a.m.
- This Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> students Government will be hosting **Crazy Hat and Sock Day**. Students must wear full uniform in exception for the socks and hat. It is \$2 and the money is donated to the Pediatrics of Sloan Kettering.
- Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> – **Sports Dinner** at 6:30 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> – **Band Concert** at 6:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.

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- Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> – **Special Events: Slam Dunk Walk-A-Thon.**
- Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> – **Last day for Dress Down Passes.**
- Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> – **School is in session due to snow day. Dismissal at 12:00 p.m. No after school care.**
- **Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> – Memorial Day - No School.**

**\*Fourth Grade Information:**

- Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> – **NYS Science Performance Test.**

**\*Eighth Grade Information:**

- Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> – **NYS Science Performance Test.**
- **Correction:** Arrival time on Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> to school for the class trip to Club Getaway should be at 6:30 a.m. and not at 6:15 a.m. The bus will be leaving promptly at 7:00 a.m.

**\*News from the Music Department:**

- **SAVE THE DATE: THIRD GRADE RECORDER CONCERT:**  
The third grade has been practicing hard all year and would like to show off their recorder skills in a short concert on Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in McKinnon Hall. Please mark your calendar for this special event.
- There is going to be an Instrumental Music Assembly on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. This will feature the Advanced Orchestra, Jazz Band and the Advanced Band.

**Attention Advanced Band, Advanced Orchestra and Jazz Band Members:** Please remember to bring your instrument and music to school on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> in order to perform in the music assembly. The assembly will begin at 8:45 a.m. Please report directly to the gym when you get to school. You can arrive as early as 8:15 a.m. to begin set-up.

**\*News from the Library Department:**

- The Library has had an excellent growing year with children's participation and parent's contributions that have resulted in increasing our collection. However, the return of books on a timely basis is imperative to keep our collection strong. Paying the cost of replacing a book (\$25) is not the way we wish to address overdue books. If you have received an overdue reminder, report cards will be held up until the books are returned. Please look carefully at home since all books are clearly marked as Saint Ignatius Loyola School Property. The library will close for inventory the last week of May for final accounting for all borrowed books.

Thank you for your cooperation and support for the past year. A special thank you to the volunteers: Dr. Judy Bautista, Mrs. Carmen Camilleri, and Mrs. Susan Kwok.

**\*Parent Information:**

- This Thursday, May 13, is Ascension Thursday. Students from Kindergarten through the Eighth grade are expected to be in full uniform. The school doors will open at 8:05 a.m. as the School will be attending the 8:30 a.m. Mass. If your child is late for school, you should bring him/her directly to Church. There will be teachers seated in the back of the Church for your child/ren to sit with and, at the end of the liturgy, they will join up with their respective class.
- **Shaped Bracelets**  
The new trend for the spring of 2010 is the bracelet that comes in various shapes and colors. The children are not permitted to wear these bracelets to school.
- **Auction Update**  
We still have a number of items that have not been picked up from our live event. Please call the Development office to arrange a pick up.

FORWARD

- **Slam-Dunk-Walk-A-Thon**

This year's Walk-A-Thon will take place on Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. We encourage you to volunteer to take the Walk with your child's grade! Sign up sheets were included in a previous Weekly, so if you are able, please send in your form. Questions happily answered by Chair Kim Kramer Math.

- **Thank you**

The rain held off and 130 golfers made their way around the Pelham Golf Course for a day of fun in support of our school's David K. Oing Memorial Golf Tournament. The barbeque was attended by additional families, making this the best attended outing to date. This would not have been successful without the support of a dedicated committee who spent many hours cultivating underwriting, taking care of signage, assembling a silent auction, putting together foursomes, setting up and breaking down. We are most grateful to Mary and Jeff Oing, Glynn Burgess, Sharon Herbert Conlon, Andrew Fine, Kelsey Graham, Jerome Hanifin, Gerard Kelly, Kevin Math, John Mills, Brad Shaw, and especially Toni Buono and John Brinster for a job well done.

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PARENTAL REQUEST FOR CHILD'S PARTICIPATION  
IN A SCHOOL SPONSORED FIELD TRIP

May 12, 2010

Dear Ms. Larkin:

Please allow my child \_\_\_\_\_ of Class K-1/K-2 to attend the field trip to the New York Botanical Garden, Bronx, NY which will be held on Thursday, May 20th. Transportation to and from the above destination will be by bus. I understand that my child will leave the school at 9:30 a.m. and return at approximately 2:00 p.m. The cost of the trip is zero.

I understand that the school authorities will take reasonable precautions against accident, personal injury and loss of, or damage to, property while going to, from and at the site of the trip, but they or the Archdiocese of New York are not assuming any legal liability for any such occurrence except any liability based on their failure to take such reasonable precautions.

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Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address

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Telephone

## Saint Ignatius Loyola School

### Final Examination Schedule for June 2010 For Grades One to Eight

**Religion Examinations for Grades 1-8 will be administered on Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.** The students in Grades 3-8 will take the Archdiocesan Religion Examination. The students in Grade 1-2 will take the classroom final exam.

#### **Eighth Grade Final Exam Schedule for the week of June 7<sup>th</sup> is as follows:**

	<b>Monday June 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday June 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday June 11<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>A.M.</b>	NYS Science Exam	Math	Arch. Religion Exam	Science	Religion
<b>P.M.</b>	Social Studies	Literature	Latin	Writing	Spell/Vocab

**\*Eighth Grade students will take the New York State Social Studies test on Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> in the morning.**

#### **Grades 1 -3 Final Exam Schedule for the week of June 14<sup>th</sup> is as follows:**

	<b>Monday June 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday June 18<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>A.M.</b>	Reading	Math	Soc. Studies	Mass	
<b>P.M.</b>	Grammar	Spelling		Science	

#### **Grades 4 – 7 Final Exam Schedule for the week of June 14<sup>th</sup> is as follows:**

	<b>Monday June 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday June 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday June 18<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>A.M.</b>	Reading/ Literature	Math	Science	Mass	Spell/Vocab
<b>P.M.</b>	Religion (7)	Soc. Studies	Grammar/ Writing	Latin (5-6)	

**\* Grade 4 will take the New York State Science test on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> in the morning.\***

**\*\*Grade 7 will take the Latin Proficiency Exam on Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup> in the morning. \*\***



We are eager to celebrate spring, friendship and camaraderie as the school year draws to a close, and at the same time support our school through this very special fundraiser ....

### **Saint Ignatius Loyola School's Slam Dunk Walk - 2010!**

On Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, our students will take a walk and shoot hoops as part of our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Slam Dunk Walk-a-Thon. Every student is asked to get as many "monetary pledges" as possible from family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, pets ~ anyone you know willing to sponsor your children as they walk to raise money for their school!

Specific details on the Walk will be in a forthcoming Weekly, but know that every class will be 'taking a stroll' in support of this fundraiser. Through the generosity of a donor, all the students will be receiving a 'goodie' to commemorate the event. There will be additional prizes for the top three students who collect the most in pledges.

To collect pledges, have the donor sign the form below, acknowledging the amount he/she is donating. Checks should be made payable to Saint Ignatius Loyola School, and all pledged amounts should accompany this form when it is returned to school.

**SPECIAL ADMISSION OPPORTUNITY: Any student that raises more than \$200 in pledged donations will earn a bracelet that will allow him or her unlimited use of the rides at our International Street Fair (food is not included). Bracelets will be distributed to those qualifying students prior to the event.... good luck!**

