



# IJP NEWS

October 7, 2011

## IMPORTANT DATES

**October 10** — Columbus Day, NO SCHOOL

**October 11**— PTO Meeting, 7:30 pm

**October 12**— All School Mass

**October 15** — Jr. High Dance, 7 to 9:30 pm

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

Letter from Mr. Smith — [October 7th](#)

[October School Calendar](#)

## LUNCH MENU

Monday	10/10	<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Tuesday	10/11	Chicken Patty Sandwich
Wednesday	10/12	Mini Corndogs (No Hotdogs)
Thursday	10/13	2 - Meat & Cheese Tacos (No Hotdogs)
Friday	10/14	BBQ Rib Sandwich

Monday	10/17	Salisbury Steak / Corn
Tuesday	10/18	Chicken Pot Pie
Wednesday	10/19	Egg Roll & Fortune Cookie
Thursday	10/20	Beef & Macaroni
Friday	10/21	Chicken Nuggets (NO Hotdogs)

The Cafeteria serves Hotdogs and PBJ sandwiches daily (except when noted).

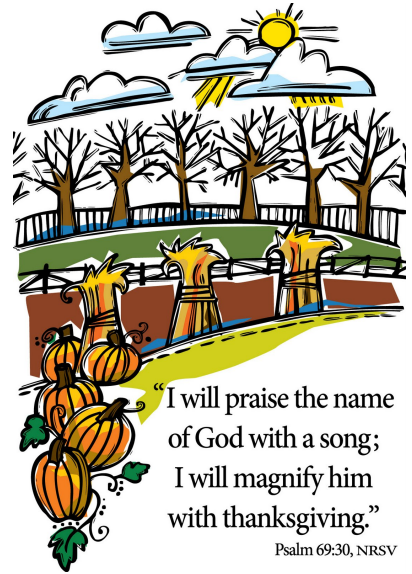
**The daily special is \$2.00 and salads are \$1.50.** See [MENU LINK](#) for more pricing.

## SCHOOL CHOICE PRESENTATION

Below is a link to a flyer about an important presentation that will be held at the Archbishop Quigley Center regarding School Choice. Without some form of Choice and the resulting financial support, many of our schools will not be able to remain viable. This presentation will inform participants about existing Choice models in other states and examine the possibility for Choice in Illinois. Registration is required.

School Choice Flyer can be found at the following link:

<http://ocs.archchicago.org/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=Uu5NdBFN98A%3d&tabid=767>



## 8th GRADE SERVICE PROJECT

Part of the 8th Grade is doing a service project in conjunction with the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. They are asking you to bring in specific items to benefit South Suburban Animal Shelter. Please see [FLYER](#) for more details and how you can help!

## ATTENTION ALL BAND MEMBERS

The band is in dire need of volunteers so that we can have a successful band season. There are several different opportunities, so please share some of your talents with the band. Please send your information to [LLorens37@gmail.com](mailto:LLorens37@gmail.com)

## JUNIOR HIGH DANCE

The Junior High Dance will be held on Saturday, October 15th from 7 to 9:30 pm in the School Cafeteria. Please fill out and return the [Junior High Dance Permission Slip](#). Also, the committee is asking that each student that is attending the Junior High Dance please bring a dessert (cookies, brownies, cupcakes, etc.) to the event.

## ANGEL POINTS COMMITTEE

***Positive Reinforcement is an integral part of IJP School's Success!***

The IJP School Kingsmen ROCK Angel Point Committee for 2011-2012 is as follows: 7th graders, Waylin Walls-Parker, Kendall Boyd, Ashley Donald, Emani Figaro, Sydney Hayes, Demi Jefferson, Alexandria Staton, Nicholas Ledesma, and Abby Freeman, 8th grader Michael Donald.

These students were volunteers during last year's open enrollment of student participants and accepted their role for this year as well. They were trained in the secretarial duties of logging in Angel Point Nominations; special students who are recognized by the adult staff at IJP School who are making the most of their Catholic School by being trustworthy, full of effort, responsible, and simply ROCK the halls of IJP. **Respect, Ownership, Catholic School Spirit, Knowledge.**

The Kingsmen ROCK Angel Point Committee is proctored by: Ms. Frederickson and Mrs. Mancha in cooperation with the school's Discipline Committee.

Follow this [LINK](#) to find out which students have been selected as the Special Angels of September.

## CONGRATS TO A SPECIAL IJP STUDENT MUSICIAN!

Joan Karstrom auditioned with Illinois Music Educators Association with District I Junior Orchestra Division. Her audition earned her a seat in the Junior Orchestra and she will be representing IJP in the November 5th Music Festival at Riverside-Brookfield High School. Congratulations Joan and we wish you much success in practicing your Violin Section II part of the Orchestra!

## WINTER SPORTS REGISTRATION

See [SPORTS REGISTRATION INFO](#) for details or go onto the school website under the [Athletics link](#) to find more information and this year's registration form.

## AUTHOR'S DAY 2011 IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4th!

Mike Knudson, author of the award-winning RAYMOND AND GRAHAM series, and Stacy Curtis, Illustrator of the series, as well as The New York Times Best Selling children's book, THE 7 HABITS OF HAPPY KIDS, will be visiting our school speaking to the students about reading, writing and illustrating books. Please see [BOOK LINK](#) for more details on how to preorder books so that they can be signed for your student on the day of the event.

## PTO FUN LUNCHES

Students will have the opportunity to participate in three Fun Lunches sponsored by the PTO this year. They will be held on November 11, February 3rd and May 11th. This year all lunches will be PRE-ORDERED and PRE-PAID at one time. See [FLYER](#) for more details. There is also an [ORDER FORM link](#). This form should be returned by October 12th. No late forms will be accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact Felicia Russell at [felicia\\_sims@yahoo.com](mailto:felicia_sims@yahoo.com) or Shannon Mayronne at [slm15@comcast.net](mailto:slm15@comcast.net)

Thank you for supporting the PTO.

## UPDATE: 5th GRADE HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION (HCA) FUNDRAISER FOR EAST AFRICA

Thank you for helping the Fifth Grade raise money for the children of East Africa. We worked with the Holy Childhood Association on this fundraiser. Through your extreme generosity, we raised over **ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS in a little over two weeks!**

Your donation will help provide clean drinking water for many children in East Africa who are thirsty.

As our Pastor, Father Michael Nacius has said, "We are all the hands of Christ." We thank you for all of your help with this fundraiser. Your support and prayers are appreciated!

**GOD BLESS YOU!**

The entire Fifth Grade

## ROOTS AND WINGS

The second SEPTEMBER edition of Roots & Wings can be found with this [LINK](#).

## **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION**

Have you started collecting Box Tops for Education and Campbell Soup labels? The classroom competition has begun and collection boxes are in each homeroom! The homeroom which collects the most Box Tops for Education and Campbell Soup labels will win a pizza party! Look for "Helpful Hints" in the Friday emails as you collect box tops and labels in our quest to collect 10,000! **Helpful Hint no. 1: Campbell Soup Labels do not have expiration dates, but Box Tops do! Please check your box tops - if the date is 6/11 or before, we cannot turn them in for cash and they will not count toward the homeroom credit!**

## **FAMILIES ENJOY FREE PLAY GROUP AT IJP**

Infant Jesus of Prague School opened opportunities for social and business networking, family play and early learning. The school hosted a Free Play Group program for parents who have 1, 2, 3 and 4 year-olds on Thursday, October 6, 2011, from 10 to 11 am. South Suburban parents and their children attended and enjoyed the themed event. It was entitled "Fall Into A Good Book" and included a Pumpkin Head Ball Bounce, Fall Leaf Shading, Apple Picking and Story Telling. Parents and children enjoyed the camaraderie and the refreshments as well. Assistant Principal, Mr. Steve Chorak informed participating families that future sessions are scheduled for the 1st Thursday of every month during the 2011-2012 School Year. Follow this link for photos from this month's Play Group event: <http://www.ijpparish.org/e-news/PLAYGROUPoct.pdf>

## **IJP IN THE NEWS**

Send your newsworthy ideas, stories, videos, photos and media during the 2011-2012 School Year to Mr. Chorak, Assistant Principal at [schorak@ijpparish.org](mailto:schorak@ijpparish.org) so that we can make sure that the entire community knows about great happenings with the IJP Community. Also, feel free to call at 708-799-5200 ext. 245.

**Infant Jesus of Prague School's enrichment class activity was featured on the home page of the H-F Patch website on Tuesday, October 4, 2011**

[http://homewood-flossmoor.patch.com/blog\\_posts/infant-jesus-of-prague-school-offers-challenging-activities-for-students](http://homewood-flossmoor.patch.com/blog_posts/infant-jesus-of-prague-school-offers-challenging-activities-for-students)

(Correction to published article: The name of the instructor should read Ms. Shari Jender, not Sheri)

**Infant Jesus of Prague School was featured on the H-F Patch website for celebrating diversity during Hispanic Heritage Month.**

[http://homewood-flossmoor.patch.com/blog\\_posts/infant-jesus-of-prague-school-celebrates-diversity-during-hispanic-heritage-month](http://homewood-flossmoor.patch.com/blog_posts/infant-jesus-of-prague-school-celebrates-diversity-during-hispanic-heritage-month)

# ----- **COMMUNITY EVENTS** -----

*(These articles and links are offered for the reader's information. Inclusion does not mean these events are sponsored or endorsed by Infant Jesus of Prague School.)*

Click on the links below to find out about Community Events in our area:

[\*\*Voice Lessons with Jane Jennings\*\*](#)

[\*\*Homewood-Flossmoor Park District FUN TIMES\*\*](#)

[\*\*South Suburban Sports Complex Back to School News\*\*](#)

[\*\*H-F HS School Cultural Event Calendar\*\*](#)