



HOME SCHOOL CONNECTION

OCTOBER 2009

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OCTOBER

Our fall fundraiser is a **Lyman Orchard Pie sale**. Brochures will be sent home with your child on Friday, October 9th. The fundraiser runs through October 23rd, and delivery of the frozen pies is scheduled for November 12th...in plenty of time for Thanksgiving!

This Tuesday evening, October 6th, marks the kickoff of our **Fall Scholastic Book Fair**. While browsing the fair, enjoy complimentary **homemade cookies** provided by our student bakers! (If your child is interested in joining the cookie competition, there is still time to sign up! Send in your recipe, along with your child's name and grade, to HSA@stmarynewington.com by Monday morning.)

During the book fair, stop by the table of illustrator (and Saint Mary School graduate) **Laura Jacques** (Class of '71). And don't forget to visit **Mrs. Cosham's lemonade stand**, held in honor of her cousin, who is courageously fighting childhood leukemia. Your generous donations to the ALSF lemonade stand will help find a cure for childhood cancer.

Finally, pick your Halloween costumes and watch for your invitation to this year's **Boo Bash** on October 30th!

ON THE HORIZON

HSA is happy to announce that within the next month, Saint Mary School will begin participating in **School Reach**, an internet-based instant parent contact system. In the event of an early dismissal due to weather or power outages, your family will be notified immediately by phone and e-mail. Mr. Maynard will also use the system to generate routine broadcast messages to remind parents about important dates and events at Saint Mary School. More detailed information about the program, including how your family can choose to participate, will be sent home with your child soon.



SPOTLIGHT THANK YOU

A special thank you to Elaine Weber, our school nurse, for her helpful and informative presentation at our general HSA meeting!

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

Our Yankee Candle fundraiser was a huge success! Thanks to your efforts, St. Mary School earned \$5,000.00 toward its fundraising goal. We anticipate delivery of the candles in time for the Boo Bash on October 30th.



OUR TOP SELLER: The Babineau Family

With total Yankee Candle Sales - \$689!!! Great job, Babineaus!

You will be receiving dress down passes for your efforts!

This month's **scrip orders are due on October 8th and October 22nd**. See the school website to print a copy of the order form, and remember—this month only—any family who purchases at least \$50.00 of scrip receives a dress down pass for every child in their family!

Finally, a reminder that our HSA candy sale fundraiser is ongoing. These 52-piece variety boxes may be purchased for \$52.00 each, and bars are resold at \$1.00 each. Your family will earn \$26.00 toward their fundraising for each box sold! E-mail Kara Russell at the.russell.family@cox.net by November 1st, and indicate the number of boxes you'd like to sell next month.

