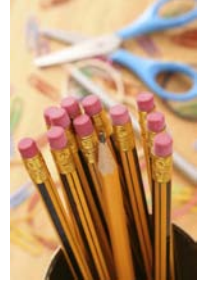


FALL 2009 NEWSLETTER

GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

BACK TO SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2009-10 school year. It has been my privilege to be part of the Good Shepherd School Staff for the past 14 years. As Director, I have a great vantage point- I get to see your children grow and experience learning in a Christian environment. I am in constant awe of our wonderful teaching staff and always entertained by our students. A parishioner once said to me "If I am having a bad day, this is the place I come I always feel better after I visit the school."



I thank you for entrusting your child to us; we will take good care of each of them. I am looking forward to the best year ever.

Jan Lopez

School Director

Blessing of the Animals- Outreach Project



We will be celebrating the life of St. Francis who served God by caring for animals at our school chapels on October 7 and 8. Your child is asked to bring a stuffed animal that day as a representation of the real animals in our world. We are also asking that your child bring a donation of a can of pet food, a pet toy, or small hand- size towels that we will gather and deliver to the animal shelter.

H1N1 FLU UPDATE

The H1N1 influenza is expected to be in full force this year. **PLEASE keep a sick child home.**

According to the CDC, The estimated incubation period is unknown and could range from 1-7 days, and more likely 1-4 days. We will be posting flu updates and helpful guidelines issued by the CDC on our website or by email. Stay tuned and wash those hands!

ANNUAL FUND DRIVE

Annual Fund contributions are due by Oct. 1. See Orientation packets for information regarding this fundraising effort to support our school. Checks can be dropped off at the office. For convenient, secure online credit card or cash transfer processing, we are now offering Pay Pal. Go to the school website for the donation link .



BACK TO SCHOOL CHECKLIST



PARKING-For the safety of our children, please note we have a one-way entry and exit from our parking lot. Enter from Woodland Hills, exit by Pine Terrace.

LABEL- use a permanent marker, tape, labeler, to help mark **everything** you send to school.

LOST & FOUND- school office

PAYMENTS- drop checks in the gold mailbox on the wall outside the director's office.

Drop Off/Pickup- teachers need time before class to prepare for the day. When the doors are opened by the teacher, you may leave your child. At pickup times, please line up, single file, outside the door along the wall.

This reduces hallway congestion for everyone.



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CALENDAR UPDATES

October	07/08	Blessing of the Animals Chapels
	12	No School
	13-16	School Pictures
	29	Make Believe Parade and Parties
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November	09	Book Fair- all week
	12	Open House- PM
	25-27	Thanksgiving Holidays
December	10	Christmas Chapel
	17-18	Christmas Parties
	18	Christmas Holidays Begin

GOOD SHEPHERD VIP'S

Good Shepherd welcomes the Reverend William T. "Bill" Richter, Jr. as its new rector. Accompanied by his wife, Susan, Father Bill will make use of his varied skills and extensive experience to build upon our parish community and usher in a new era of worship.



*For more about Father Bill, check out
www.goodshepherdkingwood.org.*

Staff Birthdays

Frances Kuhl	8/26
Barbara Moore	8/31
Laurie Katz	9/13
Kim Elkins	9/16
Christie Schwan	9/26
Betsy Gillis	11/20
Karen Silva	12/5
Theresa Bruns	12/7
Sheri Eastman	12/7

Join the 1st Annual Walk by Faith 5k Race/Walk on November 8, 2009. Alexander Deussen Park, Summerwood.

Addi's Faith Foundation sponsors this important event and is a non-profit organization dedicated to ending childhood cancer. Funds raised go to research in pediatric brain tumors, as well as provide financial assistance to families struggling to care for a child with cancer. To register or learn more, go to www.walkbyfaith5k.org.