



Saint Nicholas School II November Newsletter and Parent Advisory Report

November 4th, Friday – **Used uniform sale.** Courtyard from 8:00-10:00 a.m. Please send in contributions.

November 22nd, Tuesday – **Thanksgiving Celebration for Grandparents Day (Hold the Date)** Brunch and Fall concert. Invitations will be distributed

November 23, 24, 25 - Thanksgiving Holidays. School closed.

Our first **Parent Advisory** meeting for the school year was held on October 24, 2011 with Margot Heard, Headmistress and other administrators. Instead of each semester, meetings will now be held **First Mondays** of most months. The next meeting will be December 5th. Topics included the following:

- We are updating the SNS website to include current information. Parents are requested to send in specific suggestions of what to include or not include and to offer assistance if this is an area of expertise. We have employed a marketing firm for the school to assist us this year, but it takes time for them to know us well.
- The uniform shop communication regarding order status and display of inventory has been poor. Ms. Kiya has been assigned to filling orders and has improved service. We ask that outstanding orders with problems be brought to the attention of Ms. Bernadette so they can be resolved most quickly. Mrs. Heard and Mr. John Decker (Controller) are also involved.
- A parent brought up an experience of a person following them into the building. We do ask for photo ID for any person not known to the teacher. We are working toward full coverage of the front desk beyond 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- We would like for parents to have more information about the testing program. A general description is in the “Welcome to” sheet for new classes. A program will also be offered on that topic.
- The visual security system is down right now and a new part has been ordered. When in place we expect to offer a real time subscription to parents for their child’s classroom at \$25 per month, which can be added to monthly billing.
- We have Homeroom meetings scheduled every Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. for all classes. Parents are encouraged to attend, especially if they are interested in instruction methods.

