

# The Cardinal Flyer

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## BJ's Corner

Dear Families,

I hope you have a wonderful Spring break (March 15-19). We will enjoy an early dismissal on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:30. Daylight Savings time begins on March 14<sup>th</sup> followed by the first day of Spring March 20<sup>th</sup>.

During break I encourage all of you to practice safety. Helmets are a must, ditches are deadly, and seat belts at all times.

Progress reports will be out April 13<sup>th</sup> and the end of the year is quickly coming.

If you have not registered for next year, time is running out. Please call Nancy Searle at 243-5788 to make arrangements.

Have a great week.

B.J.

## St. Charles Annual Food Drive for the Storehouse

"How far that little candle throws his beams! So shines a good deed in a weary world." - William Shakespeare

Cardinals,  
Your good deeds will shine into many people's lives this Spring! As of today, you've collected over 12,000 food items. The Storehouse will be picking up the food tomorrow at 10:00a.m.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your **EXTREME** generosity.

We continue to be "The little school with a big heart."

B.J.

## Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts

If anyone is interested in starting a Cub Scout and Boy Scout troop here at St. Charles for next year, contact Principal B.J. at 243-5788. We would love to start a troop here.

### Calendar Update

**March 12<sup>th</sup> - Early  
Dismissal  
12:30p.m.**

**March 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>  
Spring Break**

## Financial Aid Scholarships

All financial aid applications for the school year 2010-2011 will be done online through FACTS. The web address is [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com). There is a \$25.00 fee to FACTS for this service. The deadline is April 15, 2010. We do not have any applications in the finance office due to "Going Green." This applies to the Maloof Scholarship, which is given in August and the Archbishop's Scholarship, which is given at the end of October or the first of November. If you wish to apply for any of these scholarships, this is the only way to do it.

## Yearbook Final Offer!

There is still time to order your 2010 Yearbook. Don't miss out on our first full color book with all your classmates and events of the year. The yearbook is available for \$40. Reserve your copy online today at [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com). This is your last chance, don't delay! **ORDERS MUST BE IN BY APRIL 12<sup>TH</sup>**.

## JOG-A-THON COMING APRIL 22

**\$50 or more in pledges and students will be able to wear jeans for the rest of the year.** Forms will be sent out Thursday, March 11, please read the details.

## A Message from our School Advisory Board

### *Development as Transformation*

Dear parents and friends,

This past Sunday we celebrated the Transfiguration of Christ in the desert. In the Gospel readings, we see that Jesus was accompanied by three of his friends during this very significant moment in his life. His friends witnessed the glorious transfiguration and the voice of God proclaiming the glory of our Lord. Up to this point in the Bible, Christ's human side was predominant in how he appeared. His teachings and His treatment of others were the only indicators that He truly was the Son of God. We see a metaphor here about how we should see ourselves during our Lenten journey.

In much the same way, our Lenten journey is also a transitional process of who we want to become in the eyes of God. Lent is a time to look inward and figure out how each of us can transform ourselves into better Christians. Each of us has to be open to such change and committed toward accepting full responsibility for becoming a better Christian. For us, Lent is a time to transition toward greatness.

Lent is also a time to practice our service toward others. In Christ's life, we have a perfect model of how to live a life in service of others. Our Lord never left anyone in need. He healed, comforted and loved those around Him in ways we ourselves can only approximate. Yet because we are Christians, we share a commitment and a love for others like Christ does for each of us. St. Therese of Avila's prayer tells us that Christ needs us here on earth to do His work. We are his hands and his feet to do his work of love and service to those in need.

As a school community, we too experience transitions and transformations. Our school student body, our school personnel, and certainly our funding sources experience change within each school year and certainly between years. Transformations encompass change but more importantly, transformations should also signal growth and development. Developmental science teaches us that the hallmark of intelligence and self-determination occurs in the flexible transformations that we go through in order to adapt to an ever-changing world.

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So as a school community and more importantly, as a community of Christ, how are we working together to assure that the inevitable in our school will be transitions toward new levels of excellence? How is each of us fulfilling our role as Christ's hands and feet for the work that lies ahead in our school community?

Our school will always have needs for each of us to fulfill. It is in the taking up of that cross that we fulfill Christ's will here on earth and it is also the way that each of us assures that the changes at St. Charles Borromeo School will always be transitions of development and transitions toward new levels of excellence. Christ's transfiguration and the ultimate act of love for us that we will celebrate at the end of our Lenten journey is an example for us to follow as we move forward as the Catholic community of St. Charles Borromeo School.

Respectfully,  
David Atencio

