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Combining Excellent Academics and Discipline with Christian



GRIT

G – Guts, moral fiber, showing courage

R – Resilience, keep trying, bounce back

I – Integrity – Doing what is right

T – Tenacity – never giving up

From the Desk of Michael Zientek

The Learners Dilemma. We are into our 6th week of the 2016-2017 school year. By this point in time, your child should have brought home several graded quizzes, tests, homework, worksheets etc. Some students will have made the adjustment from the previous grade, while others may be showing signs of being overwhelmed and not doing as well as they did the previous year. Each year we raise the bar of what is expected and some students adjust quicker than others. With a new teacher comes new routines, a different way of explaining things and more school work. I spend a portion of my week in the classes observing the teachers teach and the students learn. Some students learn best by hearing it. We call them **auditory learners**. Some students learn best by hands-on, we call this **kinesthetic learners** and some students learn best by watching someone else do it. We call this group, **visual learners**. All of our teachers are very much aware of these different learning styles and as they plan and teach their lessons, they incorporate the reality of each of these learning styles into their lessons in order to engage each student's preferred style learning.

However, some students for a variety of reasons, have a hard time **paying attention**. The teacher may be teaching a lesson on the life cycle of a butterfly in science and they may "wonder off" in their mind to a time when they chased a butterfly. The possible distractions are numerous. Other students may think about the life cycle of the caterpillar becoming a butterfly because they previously read about it in a book. Yet others will focus in on what is in the text book and what the teacher is explaining to them about how a butterfly changes from a caterpillar that eats plants, forms a cocoon and eventually changes into a butterfly. On the way home from school, mom or dad may say to the child, "what did you learn about in science class today"? One student may say we chased butterflies, another might say, "remember that book we used to read about butterflies, they sure do eat a lot." The third child might begin explaining the life cycle of a butterfly. Each of these students sat in the same class, were taught in a variety of ways and provided the same content. The question is, "why do they have three completely different answers"?

It's two hours later after soccer practice and the child is at home and it's homework time. The teacher has provided each of them with a "foldable" to complete at home. The student has been given instructions on how to complete the foldable that was started in class and was asked to write the assignment into their agenda book. The assignment is designed to help the student review the life cycle of a butterfly with the intent of helping the students embed the life cycle of a butterfly into their long term memory. The student that stayed focused in class finished the assignment in less than 5 minutes. The student that was daydreaming thinking about chasing butterflies is confused. Not knowing what to do, they ask mom or dad. Mom and dad don't have a clue what a "foldable" is. So they say to their child, "what did the teacher tell you"? The child responds by saying, "I don't know". The parent responds, "Did you write it down"? Child, "I wrote it in my agenda at the end of the day". So the parent and child retrieve the agenda book and it says "finish foldable". An hour later after several phone calls to the child's classmates the assignment is finished. The child leaves the assignment on the kitchen counter intending to pick it up in the morning, however the next morning he forgets to put it in his folder. The next day, the teacher asks each of the students to take out their foldable. She asks the student that took an hour to finish the assignment and placed it on the kitchen counter, "where is your foldable"? The child's response is, "I don't know, I did it just ask my mom and dad, they helped me." Thus the dilemma of the child who has difficulty with focusing in class. This child may be very bright, creative, inquisitive and loving, but when it comes to paying attention in class and recalling what has been taught in class so they can complete homework or take a test, they struggle tremendously. This is a hypothetical situation I have describe that occurs daily at ICS. Students have different learning styles, but if they have difficulty paying attention they will continue to struggle.

This and That

Cafeteria... We are changing a few things in the cafeteria, to increase its use by ICS families. Each day we average between 30-40 students purchasing a complete lunch that includes a meat entrée, (bread, pasta or potato) vegetable, fruit, and drink. This month we are offering an ala carte item on the menu each day. This item will be sold at a reduced price as compared to the entire lunch. We have listed the a la carte item on the menu we sent out at the beginning of the month. This week it is Chicken Tenders. Students should inform their homeroom teacher if they want to purchase the ala carte item. On Friday's we will be offering Ice Cream at a cost of \$1.00. If your child wants to purchase Ice Cream please send a \$1.00 with him or her on Friday.

Guardian Angel Day - On September 29 –30, we will be celebrating Guardian Angel Day here at ICS. Home and School will bring in a special treat for each of the classes in the Preschool and Elementary/Middle School.

Kroger Cards --You can support ICS every time you shop at Kroger! Simply sign up through Kroger's Community Rewards Program to designate Incarnation School to receive rebates each time your Kroger Plus card is swiped! It's super easy to sign up: Visit <http://krogercommunityrewards.com> and create an account, and then designate Incarnation School (ID# 80285) as your organization of choice. It only takes about 5 minutes, and ICS will then benefit each time your Kroger Plus card is swiped!

Preschool & Elementary School — We understand there is some confusion when we write about the Preschool and Elementary School in the newsletter. This newsletter is sent to all the families with students attending ICS. The Preschool is made up of students who attend 2 days each week, 3 days each week and 5 days each week from 9:30 –2:30. We have one year olds, two year olds, three year olds, four year olds and five year olds. The Elementary School is made up of students who attend 5 days a week from 8:00—3:00. We have PK4 year olds, Kindergarten, Grades 1-8. We will also refer to grades 6-8 as the middle school.

Volunteers...The next Virtus Class is September 27, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

HELP NEEDED!!!!



Plant the Promise for Red Ribbon Week by Making a Tulip Bed

- We need “experts” in gardening & landscaping.
- Plans include making a flower bed in the shape of an I on the front lawn for our tulips.
- Please contact Susanne Angelillo at 853.7804 or susanne.angelillo@incarnationcollierville.org **ASAP** if you can assist! Thank you!

Calendar

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 21 ERW (early release Wednesday)— 2:00 Dismissal—Elementary School Only
Thursday, September 29 Guardian Angel Day and Pet Blessing (bring in a photo)
Friday, September 30 Guardian Angel Day

OCTOBER

Wednesday, October 5 - ERW-2:00 Dismissal—Elementary School only
Friday, October 7 Fall Break - NO SCHOOL
Monday, October 10 Fall Break - NO SCHOOL
Friday, October 14 - End of 1st Quarter
Wednesday, October 19 - ERW-2:00 Dismissal—Elementary School only
Thursday, October 20 - 1st Quarter Awards Mass
Saturday, October 22 - Boo Bash/BBQ
Wednesday, October 26 - Noon Dismissal for Parent Teacher Conferences

ICS Prayer Box

Please keep our ICS families in your prayers by praying the Rosary, Daily!

For Bishop Terry Steib as he begins his retirement, Bishop Martin Holley, Fr. Ernie, as they guide us in our faith.

For those serving our country in the Armed Forces, Fire and Police Departments.

For those students struggling to learn may they be inspired to keep working hard.

Please pray for Heather Rout, mother of Grace and Wil Rout, as she recovers from surgery.

For Ami Stockbridge's mother as she recovers from hip surgery.

For any special intentions we hold in the silence of our heart.



Home and School

Home and School General Meeting is scheduled for this Wednesday, **September 14th** at **6:30** pm in the ICS Library. Please join us for our special guest speaker, Teri Hirt. Other items to be discussed include the principal's update, Boo Bash, and the 2016/2017 budget. Let's make this the largest turnout ever!!

COLLEGE TUITION IS COMING... ARE YOU READY?

We all value education and plan for our children to attend college. Many of us are busy raising our families and earning a living and don't take the time to understand what we can and should be doing now to prepare



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COMING...
ARE YOU READY?**

PRESENTED BY TERI HIRT

Wednesday, September 14th
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Location of Event:
Incarnation Catholic School
360 Bray Station Road
Collierville, TN 38017

 Shoemaker
Financial

901-239-0331

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for future college expenses. Come listen to this informative presentation so that you can be aware of what you can be doing now so that the money is there when you need it to be.

FALL FLOWER SALE - We will once again be partnering with MorGreen Nursery and Landscape for our Fall Flower Sale. This is part of our "Do What You Do" fundraising efforts, which simply means, ICS raises money by our parents participating...just by doing what you do...So if you plant fall flowers, please consider ordering during this sale and ICS will profit! MorGreen Nursery and Landscape has been a big supporter of ICS in the past and continues to do so by donating the profit of the flower sale back to ICS. Order forms will be going home soon!

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And don't forget.....



Boo Bash is October 22nd 2016!!! Save the date and come enjoy family fun! Games and prizes, music featuring Kevin and Bethany Paige, Trunk or Treating and much more! For questions contact: Jennifer Easton jmeaston73@yahoo.com

The September Teachers' Luncheon will be on Thursday , September 22nd in the Incarnation Fellowship Hall. Items should be dropped off in the Elementary School Teachers' Lounge by 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 22nd. Please use the following link to sign up:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090F45ACAB2BA4FA7-september

ICS CALENDAR ON YOUR SMART PHONE Would you like the convenience of having the lunch menu on your smart phone calendar? Well, you can! You can also have the entire ICS calendar on your smart phone! Here are the instructions for adding these features to your phone. This gives you a read only view.

1 – Copy this URL:

2 - Go to Settings and then to "Mail, Contacts, Calendars" <https://www.google.com/calendar/ical/icscougarsfans%40gmail.com/private-9e5d74d7db648e131af22920407ecd8f/basic.ics>

3 - Go to "Add Account...", then choose "Other"

4 - Tap "Add Subscribed Calendar" and then paste the URL above into the space and hit Next. 5 - At the next screen, the default information should be fine. No change need. Select Next or Save.

6 - Go into your Calendar app. You will then need to tap "Calendars" in the top left corner. Scroll until you see "Subscribed" and make sure that one is checked. It will say [icscougar- fans@gmail.com](mailto:icscougar-fans@gmail.com).

Have a great week!!

Sherrie Goodwin and Allison Waggoner

ICS H&S Co-Presidents



Looking for Christian fellowship with other women of the Incarnation Parish & School *and* a chance to learn about your Faith?

Here's your opportunity!!

Join us once a month in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30–12:00

We start September 21st!



Each month we will be watching episodes from Father Gaitley's *Divine Mercy in the 2nd Greatest Story Ever Told* and discussing the book.



Please contact Mia Leoni for more information at MiaLeoni@juno.com or 901-361-1767 (Text or call)

Child Care Available



2016 FATHER/SON PROGRAM

For 12 - 15 year old boys

Must be accompanied by a parent or other supportive adult.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2016

4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Saint Francis Hospital Auditorium

5959 Park Avenue

The Father/Son Program explores God's special gifts of human sexuality and fertility as well as the goodness and wonder of His plan for growing up and becoming a man of integrity. Topics include: the physical changes in a young man's body as it prepares for fatherhood; emotional changes; acceptance of responsibility; the functions of the male and female reproductive systems; the sacredness of human life; appreciation and reverence for the gift of sexuality; the virtue of chastity; and a question and answer segment. Healthy dating relationships with a strong emphasis on friendship, respect and chastity are also discussed.

The purpose of the program is to provide an atmosphere of love and learning to discuss the important topic of growing up and to establish a foundation for continued communication between parent and child. The program is presented primarily by male NFP Center volunteers who have set high moral standards for themselves. They will emphasize respect, strong character, integrity, understanding and appreciation for God's gifts.

Pizza and refreshments will be served. Seating is limited and reservations are required.

Discount fee is \$25.00 per family (non-refundable) if **RECEIVED** by October 19.

AFTER October 19, the fee is \$30.00 per family (non-refundable.)

REGISTER ONLINE at www.cdom.org or complete the Registration Form below and mail it with a check for \$25.00 to the NFP Center before October 21.

Diocese of Memphis Natural Family Planning Center

5825 Shelby Oaks Dr. • Memphis, TN 38134 • (901) 373-1285 • www.cdom.org • marypat.vanepps@cc.cdom.org



2016 Father/Son Program Registration Form

We want to attend the Father/Son Program on Sunday, October 23, 2016

Father's Name _____ Home Phone _____

(Please PRINT and use names as you want them to appear on the name tags.)

Son's Name _____ Age _____ DOB _____ School _____

2nd Son's Name _____ Age _____ DOB _____ School _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Work or Cell Phone _____ E-Mail address _____

Please make \$25.00 check payable to NFP CENTER and mail with the reservation form to:

Diocese of Memphis NFP Center • 5825 Shelby Oaks Dr. • Memphis, TN 38134

Seating is limited. Reservations must be RECEIVED by Wednesday, October 19, 2016 for the \$25.00 discount fee.

Confirmation of your reservation will be sent by E-mail or post card. Please call (901) 373-1285 if you do not receive a confirmation.