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○ July/August | ○ 2011

St. Angela Merici *focus*

BUILDING THE FUTURE ONE CHILD AT A TIME...

Each day St. Angela's creates the perfect environment where our children are challenged to grow spiritually, physically and academically.

Message from the Principal

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I pray that you are enjoying a restful summer. I want to thank you for your support of our school. Thank you also for entrusting your much loved children to us. They are really what make our school so special.

Our last academic year 2010-2011 was a terrific year. We were able to accomplish so much. On June 18th 49 eighth graders graduated and 35 of our 49 graduates will attend a Catholic High School in September. All of our eighth graders graduated and qualified for a Catholic High School. This was a very special class. This class won over \$277,000 in academic scholarships to Archdiocese

High Schools. One of our graduates will attend Regis High School and two of our graduates were among the elite 19% who were accepted at specialized High Schools in New York City. These are very impressive statistics.

Once again this spring we competed and qualified for the Semi Finals in the Fourteenth Annual Thurgood Marshall Junior Mock Trial Competition. You can be so proud of our students who worked so hard to learn the case and practice the defense and prosecution roles. They spoke, presented and dressed as lawyers and witnesses. These students have been exposed positively to a side of the law that many rarely see and some are considering careers in law enforcement.



Smartboards in our classrooms

This year thanks to our Bronx District Superintendent of Schools St. Angela's now has a *Smartboard* in all classes in grades 1 to 8. *Smartboards* give a hands-on approach to classroom concepts. The students are more engaged in learning with this fast paced technological tool. Our teachers are trained on how to use *Smartboard* so that our students have more ways to learn, to express themselves and to demonstrate their understanding.

Every year we challenge ourselves to continue growing spiritually and academically. We are confident that with your support in the year 2011-2012 we will reach new highs.



Congratulations to Nadia Sanchez who won the Bronx Right to Life Essay Contest. She received a \$100 cash prize.



- Academy of Mt. St. Ursula
- All Hallows H.S.
- Aquinas H.S.
- Banana Kelly H.S.
- Bronx Academy of Letters
- Bronx Leadership Academy
- Cardinal Hayes H.S.
- Cardinal Spellman H.S.
- Culver Academy
- Foreign Language Academy of Global Studies
- KIPP New York City College Preparatory
- Knowledge and Power Prep.
- Int. Academy
- Lehman H.S.
- Liberty H.S.
- Mother Cabrini H.S.
- Mott Hall Bronx H.S.
- Preston H.S.
- Regis H.S.
- Renaissance H.S. for Musical Theater & Technology
- Saunders H.S. (Yonkers, N.Y.)
- St. Barnabas H.S.
- St. Catherine Academy
- St. Raymond Academy for Girls
- St. Raymond H.S. for Boys
- St. Vincent Ferrer H.S.
- The Facing History School

Planning Ahead

As you remember two years ago we began consolidating classes. This consolidation process is a way for us to better allocate our resources. This year we have concluded the consolidation process for St. Angela's. Thus, next year there will be one class for each grade. We are happy that our school continues to be strong with more than 300 students enrolled and a waiting list for some grades for the academic year 2011-2012. Our teachers have 20 years on average of teaching. We have a veteran faculty. Our teachers work hard to give our students the best education possible which is evident with the high school

results for this year's graduating class. We are confident that our consolidation will allow us to thrive and to continue serving you and your children.

Important Dates

The School Office Is Open.

The school office is open. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you have any questions come and visit us.

Wednesday, September 7, 2011
School begins – Children must be in full uniform. There will be a 12:00 noon dismissal

Thursday, September 8, 2011
12:00 noon dismissal

Friday, September 9, 2011
First full day of school. Special subjects begin.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

You can help. Support St. Angela Merici School every time you shop for groceries. Just clip the Box Tops' coupons from hundreds of your favorite products and send them in an envelope to St. Angela's School. Please address your envelope to Ms. Brady – Gonzalez. A big "Thank You" Ms. Brady-Gonzalez for coordinating this program. Each box top coupon is worth 10 cents for our school and this will add up.



Algebra Regents Exam – our students succeed!

15 of the 20 students (75%) who took the High School Algebra Regents Exam in June 2011 passed the exam. One of our students had an impressive score of 90. These students will receive High School credit and will not have to take the Algebra Regents exam next year but move ahead. Congratulations to them and especially to Ms. Massop who worked so hard to prepare them.

Meet the Teacher Night

Tuesday, September 13, 2011
Grades Pre K to 3

Wednesday, September 14, 2011
Grades 4 to 8

Remember meetings begin in the gym at 7:00 PM.



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