

September 6, 2011

Dear Parent,

It was great seeing you at Back to School Night. There were a few things that I would like to go over:

- After this week, my weekly newsletter will be emailed to you and also be available on the school website at [stpiusschool.org](http://stpiusschool.org) under classrooms. If you need a hard copy, please let me know.
- Handwriting grades- Handwriting grades are given as +,  $\sqrt{+}$ ,  $\sqrt{\cdot}$ ,  $\sqrt{-}$ , and -. Random work will receive a handwriting grade. The grade will be in the right corner in addition to the numeric grade.
- Tardies- if your child is tardy 5 times in one quarter, he/she may receive a detention.
- The class will be starting cursive handwriting at the end of September.
- Please sign all tests except the spelling test.
- This week the class will work on recycling sentences. This is taking the question and recycling it into an answer. If your child does not recycle sentences, points will be taken off.
- Please note that math word problems are worth two points, one for the answer and the other for labeling the answer.
- Addition timed tests will start soon. Please make sure flashcards are being studied nightly.
- Please check the organizer for a September calendar this week. This is where you will see upcoming test and events. I am hoping to have it filled in by Thursday.
- Miss Costa assigns the reading homework, so any questions regarding read a-louds, tests, etc. can be directed to her.
- Some other websites discussed at Back to School night were [pearsonsuccess.net](http://pearsonsuccess.net) (science, math, and reading) and [faithfirst.com](http://faithfirst.com) (religion), [spellingcity.com](http://spellingcity.com), and [mathletics.com](http://mathletics.com). Please be on the lookout for your child's mathletics password this week.

## Important Dates

Thursday, September 8- Religion Test- Chapter 2

## Inside the Monday Folder

Listed Below is the work that should be in the Monday Folder From **Mrs. Langridge, Miss Costa, and any specialized teacher**. Any work that is not in the folder is missing and will lose 10% each day (up to five days) it is not turned in.

- Spelling- pretest corrections, p. 1-2, 3-4, test
- Math- p. 1-2, expanded form wksh.
- Reading- p. 3-4, character description, vocab, test
- Social Studies- p. 8T3
- Handwriting- p. 15-16, 17-18



Thank you for all your cooperation,

Mrs. Langridge