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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Greetings Parents,

Congratulations to our soccer Pandas who beat Sacred Heart of Louisville last Saturday 2 to 0 to become the 2011 State Champions! We also celebrate our golf, volleyball and cross country teams for winning their regional championships this fall. Monday afternoon we celebrated the success of our fall sports teams with a pep rally. It was a very spirited event and a great show of support for our student athletes. Several news stations were here to report on our state championship and celebration.

Our cross country team competes in their state tournament this Saturday at the Kentucky Horse Park. Best of luck to our cross country Pandas!

Congratulations to Chandler Clark this week's LaRosa MVP of the week! Chandler plays soccer and basketball for NDA. Please see <http://www.larosasmvp.com/> to read more about why Chandler was selected for this honor. Chandler is the second NDA student athlete this year to receive this honor.

Please continue to support our entry into the Clorox/Skype competition "Power A Bright Future". We really need your vote to catch up to the leaders in our category! You can find more information and vote once per day until December 9 at <http://www.powerabrightfuture.com/gallery/detail/?nid=915>. The winner will receive up to \$50,000 in grant funds for technology. You can also vote easily by texting 44144 and sending the message Clorox5774. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.

Parent Teacher conferences will be held on November 22 from 2:30pm-8:30pm. Please see below for more information about signing up for a conference.

May you know God's goodness each day,
Dr. Laura Koehl

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

The Parent Teacher Conferences are set for November 22 from 2:30pm- 8:30pm. The purpose of these

conferences is to give parents a chance to meet with their daughter's teacher and discuss any concerns about her academic progress. These conferences are designed for parents only. Teachers are only available for scheduled appointments on November 22. Please do not drop in hoping for an unscheduled conference. Scheduled appointments will be ten minutes long.

This year we are using the online scheduling program called "pickAtime" to schedule the Parent Teacher Conferences. [Directions and information for scheduling a conference can be found on our web page here](#). If you have any questions about this process, contact the school office at 859-261-4300. The scheduling process will be open until Friday, November 18 at noon.

If a teacher would like to initiate a conference he or she will contact you about doing so. While November 22 is set for this purpose, it is possible for you to speak with your daughters' teachers throughout the year if you have any concerns. Please remember parents can view your daughter's grades online in [PowerSchool](#) to see how she is progressing in each class. Thanks for all you do to support academic excellence at NDA.

RELIGION DEPARTMENT

With the implementation of the changes to the Roman Missal right around the corner, the Religion Department will be providing each student with a copy of "What's New About the Mass for Teens." These booklets will be used in each Religion class to catechize our students. This is also a great opportunity for parents and siblings of our students to discuss these changes as a family! [Go here for more information](#).

MATH DEPARTMENT

Congratulations to Emily Bautista for her very high score on the first Math Fax test. Nice job, Emily!

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

November 7 Scholarship Bulletin: For information on new scholarship opportunities, a scholarship search database and a website with information on scholarships and Financial Aid, [go here](#).

The 2011-2012 Affording Higher Education book from KHEAA is available online. A link to this online resource (full of college scholarships) can be found on the Scholarship Opportunities page of the NDA website. [Visit this page here](#).

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Fall Sports Awards Program is Tuesday November 15 with dinner at 6:00pm and awards at 7:00pm. Dinner reservation forms are due by Friday.

LIFE CLUB

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Life Club will be selling Christmas cards this year, beginning on Monday, November 14. Each pack has ten cards displaying a variety of beautiful, religious artwork and will be for sale in room 302 before or after school. The cost is \$5.00 for each pack. Let us adore Him!

LIFE MARCH

The Washington, D.C. Life March is on Monday, January 23, 2012. We have two buses scheduled to leave from Notre Dame Academy's parking lot on Sunday, January 22, 2012 at 8.00pm. We will return to the same site on Tuesday, January 24 at approximately 5:00am. Forms will be given out on Monday, November 14, 2011 after school in the auditorium. All four sides of the form must be filled out completely before the student is officially signed-up. Don't forget to sign the chaperone form, whether or not you can perform this duty. The cost is \$90 and must accompany the completed form. Checks can be made out to N.D.A. and please do not staple them to the form. Thank you for your encouragement and support for life and its most vulnerable - the pre-born!

HONORS

CONGRATULATIONS HONOR STUDENTS

Honors are calculated on the quarter weighted scholastic mark. A student achieves First Honors if she has an average weighted scholastic mark of 95 or higher and no weighted mark below 93 with no failures or incompletes. A student achieves Second Honors if she has an average weighted scholastic mark of 87 or higher and no weighted mark below an 85 with no failures or incompletes. [Go here for a listing of the Quarter 1 Honor Students.](#)

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parent Volunteers are needed for the Panda Sleepover on November 18 between 7:00pm and 11:30pm. This is a fun event that brings our 8th graders to campus to meet one another and enjoy some fun activities together. Please call the school office at 859-261-4300 if you are able to help out, even if it is for part of the evening.

FRUIT SALE

This week your daughter will receive a verification sheet for her fruit order. Please check it careful and return to Mrs. Schmidt by this Friday, November 11. If there are problems, have your daughter bring her tally sheet to resolve the problem. Thank you in advance for your cooperation during the selling of the fruit and the fruit delivery and distribution.

We DO replace any bad fruit. Your daughter should bring the bad fruit in a bag to Mrs. Schmidt and bring a clean bag to take the good fruit home. All replacements need to be done by December 9 by 8:00am. We do sell extra fruit starting on December 5 if you have anyone wanting more.

Contact Mrs. Schmidt at 859-292-1831 from 7:00am-12:00pm, Monday through Friday with any questions.

CALENDARS...UPCOMING EVENTS

[Check our calendars on our webpage for the latest on all the upcoming events. The calendars are separated into many different areas.](#)

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