

# St. Raphael Home & School

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## November is Upon Us!

Happy November and hello Q2 of school! One quarter is already behind us. October seemed to be one rainy blur, but at least we can be proud of setting a record for the rainiest year in history!

It was another action packed month for Home & School. Under the leadership of Kandy Gerace and Maureen Gotsky the Book Fair was a great success! Volunteers worked throughout the week to help our children pick out wonderful books. Thank you to the Book Fair team of volunteers for all your time an effort!! I'd also like

to thank the Magazine Drive team again, since their duties continued into October with the video truck and prizes. Thank you Stephanie Lavelle and Adrienne Viola.

This month Mary Beth Lee and her team are working to put together the H&S Shopping Gala. Mark your calendars for November 29 to shop for the holidays. The Cooking Club is getting off the ground with Mario Giganti and Kathy Hegeman heading up teams of little chefs. Thank you to them and the parents who support this club. Without parent in-

volvement, this club is not possible. Please refer to the Important Dates section and continue to check the website. Thank you.

Lastly, if you are looking to volunteer at school, but are unsure where to go or who to call, please call me or any of the Executive Board members and we'll help find you a place to start! We welcome new volunteers and encourage all parents to help in any way they can! Happy Turkey Day!

Teresa Hardy  
President H&S

## Hospitality – Need Volunteers

November 9, 10, 16, and 17 are Parent-Teacher conferences. The Hospitality Committee provides the teachers a light snack before their conferences. If you would like to donate any of the following please contact Sharon O'Malley

(440-930-5963) and she will let you know when and where to drop them off.

- Bottled water 100 bottles
- Diet Coke 8 Liter bottles
- Coke and Sprite 4 liter bottles each

- white plastic silverware 100 forks , spoons, knives
- plastic cups 100

Thank you for your support!

Sharon O'Malley  
Tracy Aquilla  
Kim Langhenry



## Market Day—Approximately \$600 Profit

Thank you to all of the families who ordered Market Day in October. The deadline for our November sale is Friday, November 4. Orders can be picked up in the lunch room on Wednesday, November 9 at 5:45pm (**NOTE: NEW PICK UP TIME 5:45-6:30**). St. Raphael school earns 15-20% on every item purchased. So please support this great monthly fundraiser. Ordering is simple and convenient 24/7 at [marketday.com](http://marketday.com) or the new mobile site [mmarketday.com](http://mmarketday.com). St Raphael's school code is #5871.

**Volunteers Needed.** We are looking for volunteers to help with sorting and filling orders on the Wednesday afternoon of the sale. The truck arrives at 4:45 p.m. and we are done no later than 6:00 p.m. This month we are asking for **eighth grade** parents to help with the sale. We will be giving out **service hours to the first five confirmation candidates** who email us and offer to help each month at the sale. Younger children can help too! We have found the kids enjoy being part of the process. The more hands the better, so please consider joining us. Contact Gretchen Mattimore if you are able to help. Thank you.

**November Specials.** This month's featured items are the yummy desserts. Now who doesn't need a few desserts on hand with the holidays quickly approaching? During these bonus days the more desserts we purchase the bigger our profit. If we purchase up to 99 desserts we will earn 15% back on those items, 100-499 - we earn 30% and 500 and over - a 45% profit. What an easy fundraiser! Get your holiday pies and cakes now and help us earn those extra dollars for our school. You can also donate apple and pumpkin pies to those in need in our community. See school website or Friday folder for the orange order form and details. Our school kids will have a no homework day if we reach our goal of selling 500 pies.

First time placing a Market Day order? Be sure to use the coupon code newfive to receive \$5 off your order of \$25 or more. Remember you can also receive a free 4 pack of chicken steaks with any \$90 online purchase using the coupon code NOVBONUS.

And lastly, November is another qualifying month to earn the frequent buyer free insulated tote. Make two purchases of \$40 between October and December, then place your third order of \$40 in January to receive your free bag. Check your email inbox for other great offers from Market Day.

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## Mardi Gras Save the Date

### – February 10-11, 2012

It may sound a long way off, but before you know it the most anticipated activity for St. Raphael's students will be here. Because Lent is earlier, Mardi Gras at St. Raphael is a bit earlier this year than in years past. That being said, we are under the gun to get the committee's formed. If you have talents to offer the following committees, please contact Amy Schafer or Jenn Crane

We have need in the following areas:

**Raffle:** Seeking organized, self-motivating friendly parent(s) to head this committee. Does your heart swell when you learn of people's generosity? You will learn how kind and generous our community businesses are to our school firsthand. This committee is respon-

sible for obtaining the raffle items, categorizing, and distributing prizes. There are 3 categories of raffle items: (1) school age, (2) adult or higher priced items, and (3) the Golden Ticket. Letters are sent to area businesses requesting donations of items or cash. Parish and school families are also asked to donate items. All suggestions for raffle items/contacts are directed through this committee.

**Friday Junior High Night Coordinator:** Seeking responsible fun adult that Jr. High kids don't mind being seen with. This person will coordinate with all the other committees regarding food, games/prizes and be in charge of DJ and event entertainment. This person is the head-charge of Jr. High night.

**Candy Coordinator:** Seeking parent who enjoys seeing the kids have a blast (and doesn't mind a

sugar-high). Responsible for coordinating Friday night candy grams including staffing, plus handles all candy sales for Saturday.

**Concessions Coordinator:** Seeking enthusiastic parent(s) to run the kitchen both Friday and Saturday. This committee is responsible for ordering all the food to stock the kitchen. All food sales are through tickets. Last year's coordinator, Nancy O'Toole, is willing to advise closely. She also has a very detailed report for someone to follow.

Please consider volunteering for one of these essential roles at one of our school's biggest fund raiser of the year. Thank you!

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 or Jenn Crane  
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Mardi Gras  
 Volunteers  
 Needed to  
 Coordinate  
 the Raffle,  
 Friday Junior  
 High Night,  
 Candy and  
 Concessions.

## Campbell's Labels for Education

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## Sunshine Lunch

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For over 38 years, Campbell's *Labels for Education* program has supported schools across the country by providing more than \$114 million in FREE merchandise in exchange for proof of purchase from Campbell products. This year, the program is getting even better with a new look and focus on supporting the Arts, Athletics and Academic enrichment programs that can spark children's successes. *Labels for Education* is also adding new partnerships, programs, resources and incentives to help generate more support for our school.

You can help St. Raphael earn free merchandise such as computers, audio/visual equipment, physical education equipment, reference books, musical instruments or even a mini-van, simply by collecting Campbell UPCs and sending them to St. Raphael.

"This year our goal is to collect 10,000 points, and we're asking the community to help," said Lori Davies the Coordinator for St. Raphael's *Labels for Education* program. "If we work together, we can build better schools for our children."

It's easy to pitch in. Simply save product UPCs from any of the following eligible Campbell products and send them to St. Raphael School.

## Sunshine Lunch—Thank YOU!

Thank you to those who took the time to make delicious treats for our October Sunshine Lunch. The teachers loved the wide selection of chili and desserts. Thank you to Angela Kuk, Karen Turner, Christie Wagner and Katie Zorc.

Thank you for your contributions! They are greatly appreciated.

The Sunshine Lunch Committee  
Jenn Crane, Denise Kraska, Amy Schafer



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There are over 100 retailers that give Box Tops to schools when you shop online through the website. There is no charge, and people can still get all the discounts offered by the stores, and can still to apply coupon codes.

To get started with earning money for our school you need to sign-up on the Boxt Top's website: [www.Boxtops4education.com](http://www.Boxtops4education.com). The next steps are easy!

1. Enter school zip code 44140
2. Find St Raphael
3. Enter Name, Birth Month, Year
4. Enter E-mail and create a password
5. Start shopping! click on Shop & Earn ebox tops!

## New Translations to the Roman Missal

Fr. Steve Breck will be practicing with all students on the upcoming changes to the Mass as necessitated by the new translations to the Roman Missal. All parents are welcome to attend ANY session offered. Sessions will be held in the church and will be 45 minutes unless noted.

November 3, 1PM 4<sup>th</sup> grade

November 7, 2:45 7<sup>th</sup> grade [30 minute session]

November 10, 1PM 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

November 10, 2PM 5<sup>th</sup> grade

November 11, 2:30PM 6<sup>th</sup> grade

November 11, 1PM 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

November 11, 2:45 8<sup>th</sup> grade [30 minute session]

November 21, 2:30PM 1<sup>st</sup> grade [30 minute session]

# NOVEMBER



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**St. Raphael  
H&S  
Shopping Gala**

Join us for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gala and enjoy a night of shopping for the holiday season!

**Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Raphael Parish Activity Center**

**6-9PM**

**\$2 Admission**

Shop quality hand-made and specialty items from our creative and unique vendors! Bring your gold jewelry and receive cash on-site! Stop by the Bake sale begin your holiday baking!

Also Enjoy....

*Gift Quality- Bake Sale*

*Gala Café*

*Raffle Prizes*



## H&S Executive Board

Want to volunteer, but don't know who to contact?  
Contact anyone on the Home & School Executive Board:

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## October Fun!













