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Website of the Month:
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 7
8:30am - Scrip gift card
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Tuesday, November 8
>Election Day
>3:15-4:15pm - Chess Club,
Room 305

Monday, November 14
>8:30am - Scrip gift card



November 7, 2011

Kid-2-Kid Winter Clothing Drive

Now that the weather is colder you are probably going through last year's coats and gloves. Please consider donating your gently used items or new items to our Winter Clothing Drive. This is a great opportunity to talk to your little ones about helping other children in our community! Through November 23 (the day before Thanksgiving) **we are accepting new or gently used gloves/mittens, scarves, hats, coats, snow pants and boots.** All items will be counted so we can let the whole school community know how many items we are able to donate to Associated Charities. Donation boxes are located at each entrance to the school. Thank you for helping, and feel free to spread the word to your friends and neighbors!



Conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences are coming up at the end of next week (November 17 & 18). You should have received a confirmation of your

Order
>APS Marching Band Visit

Tuesday, November 15

>**Picture Retakes**

>3:15-4:15pm - Chess Club,
Room 305

Thursday, November 17

>**School T-Shirt Day!**

>5:30-8:00pm - Parent-
Teacher Conferences

Friday, November 18

NO Classes: Parent-Teacher
Conferences all day

Monday, November 21

Scrip Order: ScripNow and
Reloads ONLY (due to
holiday)

Tuesday, November 22

>10:00am - Thanksgiving
Prayer Service, Elementary,
St. Dominic Chapel
>3:15-4:15pm - Chess Club,
Room 305

Wednesday, November 23

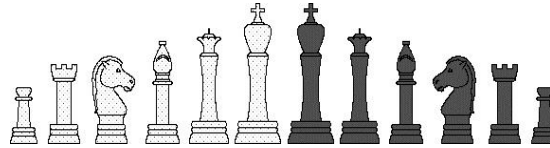
AM Classes only; Dismissal
at 11:15am; No Childcare

November 24-25

Thanksgiving Break

conference day and time. A reminder that there is **NO SCHOOL on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18 due to conferences**. Childcare is available for those who have pre-registered. If you have any follow-up questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or the program director (Pam Esterline or Sister Pat Fischer).

Chess Club



Our Elementary students now have the opportunity to join our after-school Chess Club. The Club will meet Tuesdays after school for 6 weeks beginning November 8 and our instructor is Mr. John Smalec. Cost is \$40. Chess teaches discipline, analytical thinking, time management, focus and patience. Interested in learning chess or helping your child learn chess? Here are some links to get you started (also posted on our [Student Work](#) web page):

- [ChessKIDS Academy](#)
- [Kid Chess program with quizzes, on-line games, videos, and tips](#)
- [Learn to play chess at the Chess Corner](#)
- [Training Tips for Parents](#)

HELP NEEDED!

We are in desperate need of volunteer hall monitors during the mornings to supervise pre-primary students going to and from the restrooms (so our teachers can remain focused in the classrooms). If you can help out one or more days of the week between 8:30-11:00 A.M., please contact Pam Esterline (pesterline@sjaschool.org or 263-4898 ext 12). Thank you!

Scrip Update

Congratulations--our SJA families have **saved \$1,623.95 on tuition** over the last three months! Scrip credits acquired in August, September and October will be posted on your November tuition bill.





**MONTESSORI MATERIALS
FOR HOME USE
(GREAT GIFTS!)**

Visit ForSmallHands.com and see the wonderful Montessori products they sell for home use. If you decide to order from them, SJA will get a merchandise credit (if your order is \$25 or more). Here is the info you'll need:

SJA's customer number:
119257

Our address and phone are:
**1267 E. Siena Heights Dr.
Adrian, MI 49221
517-263-4898**



Get your family and friends to order their holiday gift cards through you and save even more on tuition!

New Retailers: Buffalo Wild Wings (8%). ALSO new ScripNow! retailers include T.G.I.Friday's (9%) and CVS Pharmacy (6%).

Many bonuses currently in effect! Visit ShopWithScrip.com for details.

LISD Family Information Series

The LISD Professional Development Center is hosting several great family courses and seminars this school year. The presentations are intended to meet the needs of parents and families who have students attending special education classroom programs with the Lenawee Intermediate School District. The LISD is underwriting any associated costs so family members can attend any or all sessions FREE of charge (registration is required for most classes, however). Selections include:

- Early Childhood Parenting Made Fun (Love and Logic)
- Sign Language Course
- Effective Practices for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Accessing Health Care Coverage & Services for My Child
- CPR, First Aid & Difibrillator Training

Detailed information has been posted on the SJA website at:
http://sjaschool.org/downloads/forms/Family_Information_Series_2011_2012.pdf



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