



November 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 7 p.m. Parents' Association Mtg.	5	6 End of First Quarter	7 SAT off Campus Freshman Retreat
8	9	10 Portuguese Cultural Event	11 Veteran's Day NO SCHOOL	12 7 p.m. - Fall Play	13 7 p.m. - Fall Play	14 7 p.m. - Fall Play
15 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Open House for the Class of 2014	16	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Personal Bests - called end of 2nd through beginning of 3rd Grade 9 Grade 10 Grade 11 Grade 12 </div>			20 5 p.m. Powder Puff Game	21 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. Homecoming Dance
22	23	24 5 p.m. Supper for football team & prayer service	25 Early Dismissal Time - TBA Liturgy & Rally 7 p.m. Coffee House	26 7 a.m. Mass for Team 10 a.m. CC vs. THS 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Taunton Family Dinner Happy Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL	27 NO SCHOOL	28 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Food Pantry
29	30 1st Day of Winter Sports	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Spirit Week begins from the 19th - 25th </div>				



WARRIOR MONTHLY

Coyle & Cassidy High School
2 Hamilton Street
Taunton, MA. 02780

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Dear Family and Friends of the Coyle and Cassidy Community,

“There are many different gifts but it is always the same Spirit; there are many different ways of serving but it is always the same Lord. There are many different forms of activity but in everybody it is the same God who works in them all.” (1 Corinthians 12, 2-6)

I love this passage from Corinthians because it connects well with the reality of our Coyle and Cassidy community. We are most assuredly a Catholic school, but our giftedness takes on “different forms” in the way we worship and respect God.

One of our goals at Coyle and Cassidy is to create a learning environment which enables all our students to think, reflect, and act freely. In this learning environment, students have the opportunity to share ideas and develop communication skills in order to productively work together. It is our hope that this journey at Coyle and Cassidy will give them a better knowledge, understanding, and love of the human condition.

As parents and educators, we are called to be servants to those entrusted to our care. We share in this ministry to teach each and every one of our students to seek the truth and to give them the education to find their way in this world. It is in this interchange of knowledge and social activity that we truly understand who we are in relation to the world and to God. It is in this sharing of our gifts that we become one body unified in our efforts to become enlightened to the truth. This is an awesome responsibility if we were to take it on alone; there is much comfort in realizing that we can rely on each other. This sentiment is eloquently stated in a prayer attributed to Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador:

“...This is what we are about. We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities. We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.”

Sincerely,
E. Christopher Myron

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Magazine Drive: As you know, the Magazine Drive is our biggest student fundraiser of the year. With close to 50% of the cost of subscriptions coming back to the school, it provides an incredible opportunity to generate much needed revenue to fill the tuition gap in our operating budget. This year, we have requested that each student sell \$200 worth of subscriptions. So far, we have only brought in \$10,000 in sales, a far cry from our goal. We hope that we have your support and that our collections on Tuesday, November 3, 2009 will meet our goals. Thank you for all that you do for Coyle and Cassidy High School.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Open House: We would like to thank parents for their support of our open house program which will be held at our school on Sunday, November 15, 2009. We urge you to publicize this event among your friends (the admissions department chronicles in greater detail the events of that day below).

Veteran's Day: There will be no school on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2009. We urge you to take advantage of our Portuguese Cultural evening (dinner and entertainment) on November 10, 2009 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Please call 508-823-6164 (ext. 644) for tickets and information.

Thanksgiving Day Break: There will be an early dismissal on Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2009 (Dismissal time TBA). School will resume on Monday Nov. 30, 2009. We wish you and your families A Happy, Restful, and Prayerful Thanksgiving!

FROM THE VICE-PRINCIPAL OF ACADEMICS

Report Cards: The first quarter ends on Friday, November 6, 2009. Report cards will be issued to students during the week of November 16, 2009. If you have any questions regarding your child's current academic progress, please feel free to contact the teachers directly. We also would like to remind you that there are some online sites in the Parent's Toolkit (on Coyle and Cassidy's Website) that might be helpful to you in assisting your sons and daughters with subjects in which they are experiencing difficulty.

FROM THE VICE-PRINCIPAL OF STUDENTS OFFICE

Dress Code: As of November 1st, the winter uniform will be in effect. Boys are required to wear the C-C monogrammed uniform sweater/vest/ cardigan/blazer/ fleece and an oxford shirt with a tie (knotted at the neck). Girls are required to wear the C-C monogrammed uniform sweater/vest/cardigan/blazer/fleece, an oxford blouse and opaque solid-colored tights (navy, black, white, off-white, gray, burgundy or brown only). The oxford shirts or blouses must be purchased from the Donnelly Uniform Company or must be an exact look alike (same style and fashion cut). If your son/daughter is in need of a sweater or other item, used uniforms may be purchased from the Leadership Assembly. Students who are not in full uniform will be required to modify their dress and will be issued a detention. Please refer to pages 6-9 of the Handbook for complete uniform regulations.

CONTINUED FROM THE VICE-PRINCIPAL OF STUDENTS OFFICE:

Traffic Directives: Parents, please be aware of the one way traffic routes for the school parking lot between 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and between 1:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. each school day. All traffic should enter the lot by the library parking lot and all traffic should exit the lot by the driveway leading to Cronin's. For the safety of all, please adhere to this traffic pattern during the higher volume time for traffic.

FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Winter sports officially begin on Monday, November 30, 2009. Sign-ups will take place in school prior to that date. Student athletes should listen for announcements as they pertain to tryouts. Updated physical examinations are required before anyone can try out. Winter schedule will be posted on the school's website. Please refer to the student handbook regarding vacations, practices and games on page 29 of the student handbook entitled: "Basic Athletic Department Policies."

FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

Seniors and their parents should kindly be attentive to the following deadlines for the submission of college applications. For information regarding testing, college visits, college info, financial aid, scholarships and more, please visit the Guidance web pages on the C-C website.

College Deadline

December 1

All January

All February

All March

CC Deadline

November 3rd

November 20th

January 7th

February 1st

Thursday, December 2nd at 7 p.m. there will be a MEFA financial aid night for senior parents in the theater.

FROM THE ADMISSIONS DEPARTMENT

Open House: Open House for interested eighth grade students and their families is Sunday, November 15th from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Placement Exam will be held on Saturday, December 5th from 8:00-11:15 a.m. All eighth grade applicants must take the exam. Please bring #2 pencils, a calculator, and a \$20 registration fee. Please utilize the new pre-registration form on the Coyle and Cassidy website. ***Deadline for applications is Friday, December 18th.***

FROM THE CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Pro-Life Pilgrimage to Washington: Once again we are organizing a group to the Pro-Life March in Washington, DC in January. The dates are Thursday, January 21 – Saturday, January 23rd. This year their midterms will occur after the trip so there will be no conflicts for the students. Students can pick up the permission forms from their religion teachers and return them to Fr. Cook (or give it to their religion teacher to pass on to Fr. Cook). All forms and payments need to be turned in by November 6th. Again the students will be staying in a hotel in McLean, Virginia (approximately 30 minutes outside of Washington). If they have a particular roommate they wish to stay with while we are there, please have them indicate it on their basic information sheet. The pilgrimage is always a joyful, prayerful, and powerful experience and I strongly encourage all to attend. The limited amount of hotel rooms makes us limit the amount who can attend so please have your son or daughter submit their permission forms as soon as possible. If you have any questions please feel free to email me at frkcook@coylecassidy.com

COYLE AND CASSIDY DRAMA PRESENTS

What high school student hasn't had the nightmare of showing up for an exam, only to find out you don't remember a thing? Wouldn't we have all appreciated a guide to high school, with students teaching us all the tricks of the trade in seven easy lessons? And who wouldn't want a classic piece of required reading presented in a simple, easy to understand, fifteen minute format? Well if you answered yes to any of these questions, Coyle & Cassidy Drama's *The Return of Short Attention Span Theatre* is for you!

The three short comedies will be presented at 7pm on November 12, 13 & 14. The plays all deal with the high school experience in a variety of ways- from slap-stick to satire to self-help guide, they are sure to have something for everyone.

Tickets will be available at the door and in the week before the show, may be purchased online through the school's website. Tickets are \$8 general admission, \$5 students and senior citizens and \$5 for current Coyle & Cassidy students.

FROM THE LEADERSHIP ASSEMBLY

The Homecoming Dance is scheduled for Saturday evening, November 21st from 7:00 to 10:00pm. Tickets are \$15 per person and will be sold after school in Room 205 or 118. Sales will start on Monday, November 2nd and continue until Friday, November 13th. The dance is open to C-C students only. No tickets will be sold at the door or after Friday, November 13th.

Spirit Week: Spirit Week begins on Thursday, November 19th. In keeping with tradition, each day will be assigned a theme which allows students to dress out of uniform if they follow the designated requirements. In addition, each day will have a specific service project associated with it in which all students will be encouraged to participate. In early November, students will receive a flyer outlining the service projects and dress requirements. This information will be available to parents on the C-C website. We ask parents to assist us in monitoring the dress code for these days.

Powderpuff: 4th Annual Powderpuff football game will be held on Friday, November 20th at 5:00 p.m. at Hopewell Park. Admission to the game is \$3.00 a person and all proceeds will be donated to the Christmas Gift Shop. Come and join the fun.

Coffee House: On November 25th from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. C-C will host a coffeehouse. The cost of admissions is \$3.00 and is open to CC students, parents, and alums. Tickets must be purchased in advance. They will be sold from Monday, November 16th to Monday, November 23rd. If you would like to perform, you must sign-up by Friday, November 13th.

FROM THE NURSES' OFFICE

Cold Season is approaching. Please keep children home if they are sick. Have them carry tissues and cough drops on them. Take cold medicine at home before school. Discourage students from sharing water bottles as illnesses like strep and mono, among others, are spread through saliva.

Remind students to cough into a tissue or their elbow, wash hands or use hand sanitizer frequently throughout the day. Make sure your student stays home if he/she has a fever of 100⁰ or more. They need to be fever free for 24 hours, with no fever Reducing medicine to return to school. Help us here at Coyle and Cassidy High School to keep our school environment a healthy one!

Tissue Donations are needed in the health Room and in the classrooms.

Reminder to Winter Athletes to check with the nurse to see if their physicals are up to date.

FROM THE MATH DEPARTMENT

The Fundamentals Test will be returned this month. In order to pass, students must achieve a 70 or better on each section. Congratulations to all who passed. In order to prepare for the next test, students are required to correct all the problems that they did wrong. Please see your math teacher for help. The test will be given on Wednesday, December 16th and Thursday, December 17th.

FROM THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

The Tests of English Fundamentals will be administered to sophomores on Nov. 13th in the computer lab. Sophomores can view their highest scores to date on the “English Fundamentals- Sophomores” Moodle page by clicking on Grades, and then on Uncategorized. Students are encouraged to review for the tests by using the online resources at the C-C website or consulting an English teacher or tutor. All sophomores must pass this test by the end of this school year.

FROM THE FRANK L. TOSTI LIBRARY



Check out Frank L. Tosti Library’s *Amazon “Wish List”*. Just go to the Coyle & Cassidy Web Page and click on the Site Map. Then scroll down to and click on to the Frank L. Tosti Library. The *Amazon “Wish List”* link is located at the bottom of the box on the right. Your contributions, which will be greatly appreciated, will be used to enhance the library’s collection.



The Frank L. Tosti Library is fundraising through donations of used books (hardcover and paperbacks), CDs, DVDs, videos, and audio books. Just drop off your contributions at our local ***GOT BOOKS?*** Container located at the rear of the library parking lot. In addition to keeping these donated goods out of the landfills, they will be repurposed by being donated to schools, libraries, and other groups in need, sent overseas to the troops, given to teachers for their classrooms, or sold in book sales or online.

