

## May 2011 Newsletter St. Joseph of the Palisades Elementary

### St. Joseph of the Palisades Elementary Receives Excellent Report from Middle States Team

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To our students, parents, faculty, families, and friends—we are very pleased to announce that our visit with the Middle States Team on the week of April 4th, 2011, went very well, as expected.

St. Joseph of the Palisades received an informal accreditation at the end of the Middle States Team visit. The school is waiting to receive a formal report in the near future. A special thank you goes out to all students, parents, and faculty who have worked very hard these past few years to continue to build St. Joseph's into what it is today. The next step is to grow as a school and as a community to raise the standards to become an Academy.

For a full story on the Middle States Team visit,



please visit the Hudson Reporter online at:

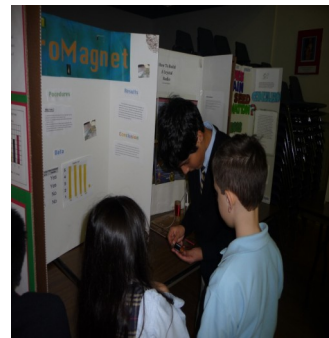
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### Science Fair Display Event

Students from Grades Pre-K through 8 did an excellent job at the science fair event held on the week of April 11th.

Class and individual projects were displayed throughout the Community

Center, as students, teachers, and parents observed projects and display boards. Students impressively explained their hypotheses, outcomes, and solutions for each project. Well done!



## Students Awarded & Recognized in the Month of April

Congratulations to Brian Salazar (Grade 8) and Jon Carlo Dominguez (Grade 8) from St. Joseph of the Palisades Elementary School! Both students placed in the finalist round for the Catholic Challenge. The Catholic Challenge, sponsored by the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office and School Office with assistance of Serra International, is a competition held yearly to test students on their knowledge of the Catholic faith and its teachings. The final round competition took place on April 16, 2011 at the Diocesan Center in Newark. Brian Salazar won an impressive 4th place standing in the final round and was awarded a Kodak digital camera.

Congratulations to Alicia Baez for being recognized for her participation in the Peace Poster Contest, sponsored by the West New York Lions Club! Alicia, a seventh grader from St. Joseph of the Palisades Elementary School, attended the West New York Lions Club general meeting on April 27th at Meson Madrid Restaurant along with her parents, her teacher, Mrs. Moschella, and sixth grade teacher, Mrs. Morrell. The Peace Poster Contest is an annual contest, allowing participants to use different forms of art to create a poster expressing a specific theme. This year's theme was "Vision of Peace."



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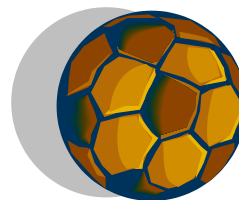
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## Upcoming Events

### Soccer Skills Program

The After School Soccer Skills Program will be starting on the week of Monday, May 9th.

A schedule will be handed out to participating students on the week of May 2nd.



### St. Joseph of the Palisades Summer Camp Program

St. Joseph of the Palisades Student Council Coordinators are proud to present its 2nd Annual Summer Program. This year we will be including all new crafts, sports activities, and educational programs for our "new and improved" Summer Camp. More details to follow in the next few weeks!