

The Library Lowdown

Book Fair Success

Thanks to all our families and parishioners who purchased books at the fall book fair. It was an incredible success, and it is all because we have such a reading culture here at St. Ann School. The children love to see the book fair come—and it's not always because of the educational "junk" table at the back of the fair!

We grossed \$4827.42, and we netted \$1315.56 in cash profit for the library, with an additional \$190 in donations. I've placed an order with

Follett Library Resources for new books that shipped last week and should arrive any day.

I am most grateful to Debbie Weber, who continues to help with the fair in spite of having her children already graduated, and to Lisa Bennett for their help in setting up the fair. Many thanks to all the library volunteers who took the time to help cashier or pack up the fair. Thanks to all our teachers for their support in showing the fair DVD and bringing

their classes to visit the fair. Our book fairs are so successful because of the help of many people, and we appreciate all that is done to get these new books in the hands of our students. Our spring fair is scheduled for April 2-6; mark your calendars!



AR Enterprise Update

After much discussion and deliberation, we have decided to proceed with the purchase of the upgraded AR program entitled AR Enterprise. The advantage will be that all AR quizzes that

are available, will be available to our students. The database will be upgraded each week with new quizzes added.

I am in conversation with the Renaissance rep

in working out the details of the contract, and will get the word out immediately as soon as it is ready to launch and use. Please look for new guidelines for AR in future Tidbits.

SACS-SAIS Accreditation News

The time is drawing near for our re-accreditation with SACS. As you've seen in Tidbits, we are also requesting accreditation from the Southern Association of Independent Schools. If we are successful, it will be a feather for our cap that will confirm that we are true to our mission and successful in the way we educate our students.

Your opinions, via surveys and representation at Advisory Committee meetings have helped shape our self-study. Our faculty has been hard at work preparing the self-study, along with supporting documentation. The Strategic Plan Committee continues to meet quarterly to ensure that our plan is always on target. We are still waiting to see if we will be one of the Diocesan schools visited; we will be ready!