



Catholic Schools Week--

The first few days of our festivities went very well. The Discovery Fair was well attended. Student work displayed a good variety of the activities students encounter. Crazy dress & hat day found many students participating in the festivities. Some very strange outfits!

Grandparents' Day was very well attended. Third grade did an excellent job preparing our Liturgy. Special thank you to the parents who made our reception in the hall warm, friendly, and efficient. Thank you to Laura Tiller for coordinating the reception.

Thursday was Sports' Day. Students wore their favorite sports shirts and/or cap. The Students vs Faculty volleyball game was well-played by all. Maybe next year the students will beat the Faculty.

Last Friday, February 3, in conjunction with Catholic Schools' Week, we held our annual Multi-Cultural Day. Students brought a sampling of their favorite ethnic food. These culinary delights were shared with the entire class. Additionally, some students wore clothes that were representative of their cultural heritage. It was a delightful celebration. It was a visible example of the rich cultural mix that comes together as one community. Each is unique and important. Together we make a strong and vibrant faith community. Thank you to all the families who made this celebration possible and successful.

HELLO AGAIN! from Alene Lynch

This is a reminder for those who are interested in being a part of the musical production this semester. The production is *Schoolhouse Rock Live, Jr.* educational Saturday morning cartoon. On Monday, February 13th, I would love to meet with all of you at 6:00 PM in the 6th grade classroom to discuss the show in more detail and talk about the audition process. Auditions will be held on Friday, February 17th, at 3:15 PM, location to be determined. I look forward to seeing you on Monday. Please refer to the flyer enclosed in today's envelope.

Get Your Wiggle On!!!

It's right "around" the corner...this Saturday! In just a few short days, St. Patrick's will gather together for our 18th Annual Auction and Dinner Dance. "The Roaring 20's and all that Jazz!" Grab your friends, come stag, bring a date..20's dress is not required-dress is casual. Keep checking our website for more information for fun and photos of our class projects. Treat yourself to a great evening out full of great food and fun!! Our Roaring 20's evening includes an Italian Feast, "The Back Room" Bar, Casino Tables and Silent & Live Auction. Flyers went home last Friday in the family envelope. Enjoy reading the top ten reasons to attend. Please RSVP if you plan to purchase tickets at the door. Doors open at 6:00 PM. If you arrive after 8:00 PM, you can purchase a ticket at the door for \$20.00.

Fourth Annual Oration

At our Grandparents's Celebration last Wednesday, finalists presented their Oratory Selection to the audience that gathered at our Grandparents Day Celebration Thank you to all the teachers, and a special thanks to Mrs. Wakabayashi for organizing the event. Congratulations to our winners:

First Place

Kinder:	Adriana Sanchez
Grade 1:	Keane Termulo
Grade 2:	Arianna Demara
Grade 3:	Madelyn Leach
Grade 4:	Kayla Ceja
Grade 5:	Isabelle Termulo
Grade 6:	Ricardo Rebeil
Grade 7:	Quentin Cruz-Boyer II
Grade 8:	Claudia Tellez

Have a Child Ready to Start Kindergarten?

If you have a child entering kindergarten in the fall, you need to be sure to send that information to the school office. If you know someone who has a child of kindergarten age, do not hesitate to refer them to St. Patrick's School. There is a special kindergarten information night February 16, 6:30 p.m. in the kindergarten room. Remember, if you refer a family and they enroll, you can receive a \$175 tuition credit. Call the office for details.

Prayers Requested

Please keep in your prayers the Mitchell family. Sonia Mitchell, who died on January 28, was a long time parishoner and preschool teacher at Our Savior Lutheran Preschool.

Registration Reminder

Registration for the 2012-13 school year is in full swing. We have started to receive registrations from new families, so to guarantee your child's place in next year's class, we need to receive your re-registration form and the \$175 per family non-refundable fee. Most of our families have returned the form that went home a few weeks ago but for the 15 families who did not, another went home last week. Please find it and fill it out today!

Coed Soccer and Girls' Basketball Sign-Up

Coed Soccer begins the week of March 19 and Girls' Basketball begins Saturday, March 24. Enclosed you will find simple sign-up forms. Once these slips are turned in, we will know if we have enough to field a team. A official permission slip will given once we have enough to create teams.

Parent Involvement Program (PIP)

Every family needs to complete 40 volunteer hours by June 2012 to fulfill your PIP obligation for next year (80 hours to remain in or be moved to a lower Tuition Category for next school year). Your 1st semester PIP report was sent home a few weeks ago. If you did not do at least 20 hours, your tuition account has been billed. If you feel you did not receive credit for all the hours you have done so far, it is probably because you forgot to write them down and turn them in to Mrs. Laughter's attention. But it's never too late...do it today and we'll adjust your billing!

Ice Cream Sale

Tomorrow there will be an ice cream sale. All proceeds will go to help defray costs associated with 8th grade end of the year activities.

Box Tops Results

Below is the final tally for January

Grade	as of 1/30	Total
Kindergarten	0	192
Grade 1	0	647
Grade 2	100	386
Grade 3	0	564
Grade 4	66	387
Grade 5	0	481
Grade 6	20	387
Grade 7	0	511
Grade 8	0	548

Congratulations to the following students whose name was picked in the drawing to win a Homework Pass to be used in February at their teachers discretion.

Laura Brown	Grade 2
Natalie Monlongat	Grade 4
Micholas Martinez	Grade 6

Financial Aid Application for 2012-13

Financial Aid applications for 2012-13 are now available in the school office. If you feel you will have need of the limited funds that will be available for next year you need to:

- Pay your tuition on time each month to be eligible to apply for FA.
- Return your registration form and pay the \$175 per family fee to be eligible to apply for FA.
- Request (not automatically sent out) and then submit a signed application by the April 16 deadline.
- If you have a child in Catholic High School, submit proof that you also applied for FA for them.

Per Fr. Pedro's request, St. Jude's Parish families, who were recipients of assistance this year, must fill out our FA application for the 2012-2013 school year, in order to be considered for assistance.