



Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter May 8, 2014

Message from the Principal:

Prairie Catholic would like to ask for help with the big **move into one building**. The school is asking for all the volunteers that are willing to help on **Saturday, July 19th**. We are hoping that a one day, many volunteer move will get the vast majority of boxes, desks and materials transitioned to St. Gabriel's school. We are also looking for people who have trucks and trailers that can help as the larger the load the fewer number of trips. This date will only work if we can get many volunteers to help so please contact either school office to let us know that you can help and if you have a larger vehicle for transportation. Family volunteer credit will be given for the day so please clear your calendars and help us in the transition.

- There is **NO SCHOOL** on Monday, May 12th.
- Any families that would like to use Prairie Catholic's Daycare on Monday, May 12th can do so with no fee but **each student will need to bring a sack lunch**. In preparation for the day, the administration would like any interested families to contact the school offices or Mrs. Schwager by **Friday, May 9th** for staffing purposes. For regular bus students, the bus will still stop here at the usual time.
- Great news has come from our Wisconsin legislature, starting in 2014 private school tuition costs are tax deductible. This is great news for our families so please spread the word to current Prairie Catholic families and to any potential families you may encounter.
- We hope to see everyone at the **4th annual Saints Scramble Golf Outing** at the Prairie du Chien Country Club on Saturday, May 10th. The outing will be utilizing a three person scramble (scramble means take the best shot from the group) format with a shotgun start at 10:00am. Registration will begin at 9:00am. The cost is \$70 for golf and cart, with raffle and mulligans available. All proceeds will go to technology upgrades for the school.
- **The 3rd annual Back Home Boys Concert** will be located behind St. Gabriel's School under a large and heated tent on May 10th. The Back Home Boys will be performing from 7:00pm to about 11:00pm. Admission will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for school children. We will cap entry fees at \$20 per family. Food and drinks will be sold on site so bring your appetite. These two events are great fun for families of all ages. Please make time to attend!
- Holy Family and Prairie Catholic Bingo are looking for a new refrigerator. If you have an extra fridge in good condition that you no longer need and would like to donate, please contact either school office.
- The last day of Daycare is **Thursday, May 22nd**. All daycare accounts must be paid in full on or before this day.
- All students and families are encouraged to check the lost and found located at each school. You never know when you'll find a shirt with your family name on it!
- Any parents that are looking for a student desk are encouraged to contact the schools. In the transition, there will be student desks available to our families.
- Both libraries will close at the end of the day on May 9th for the school year. All books need to be returned by this date.

- In preparation for next fall, the libraries are have combined our two collections. Due to space needs, we need to withdraw doubles and triples of some titles; please know some of these books are still in great condition. These are now available for students to take and are located in St. Gabriel's School.
- Athletic eligibility for track will be ran again on Friday, May 9th.
- The Pre-Kindergarten Parents Program will be held on Wednesday, May 14th at 2:00pm in St. Gabriel's School. This event is always a fantastic showcase of our young students and the community is welcome to attend.
- 8th Grade Graduation is scheduled for Thursday, May 22nd at 6:00pm at St. John's Church.
- Bingo is looking for a caller for week 2 of the month. Please contact the school offices if interested.
- The last day of school is Friday, May 23rd. All students will report to St. John's School and attend Mass before heading to Lochner Park for a morning of games. The students will eat at 11:30am and be ready for dismissal at 12:00pm. Please remember that the school needs your family's plan for dismissal. The proper forms are in this week's brown envelope.
- Marquette University will be offering two courses in our area this summer. The first is for students entering 6th-8th grades and the second if for students entering 9th and 10th. The courses are centered on reading speed and comprehension to maximize achievement. Information is available in the school office.
- Southwest Technical College has two summer academic camps available to students. Any 7th or 8th graders interested in summer Camp ExTREMEd (Experiences in Trades, Robotics, Engineering, Manufacturing, and Energy) or 6th, 7th, and 8th graders interested in Camp Tech Trek can pick up materials from St. John's school office.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, your food is all that we truly need. May we partake of your Eucharist and know that we are one with you and our Father who sent you to us to teach us how to really live. We ask this in your name. Amen.

Mark Your Calendars

- May 9th – 4th Grade to Mining Museum, 10:30am
- May 9th – 3rd to Lock and Dam 8 and Genoa Fish Hatchery
- May 9th – Track Eligibility
- May 10th – Prairie Catholic Saints Scramble and Back Home Boys Concert
- May 12th – **NO SCHOOL** – moving preparations
- May 13th – 5th Grade Band Meeting, 12:15-1:15pm
- May 14th – Pre-Kindergarten Parents Program, St. Gabriel's, 2:00pm
- May 15th – Speaker in Mr. Huser's Room, AM
- May 15th – Farm to School
- May 15th – 5th Grade Band Meeting, 12:15-12:45pm
- May 16th – Hard Work Counts, St. John's students, 12:30pm
- May 16th – 5th Grade to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine
- May 16th – 4th Grade to Villa Luis, 12:30-3:00pm
- May 19th – Kindergarten and 1st Grade to Osborne Nature Center
- May 20th – 2nd Grade to Dubuque River Museum and Aquarium
- May 21st – 8th Grade Last Day of School
- May 21st – 6th Grade to Dubuque River Museum
- May 21st – 7th Grade to Mississippi River Cruises
- May 22nd – 8th Grade Graduation
- May 22nd – Pre-Kindergarten Final Day
- May 23rd – Last Day of School, 12:00pm dismissal from Lochner Park

