



# Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter September 19, 2013

## Messages from Principal:

A reminder to all families that tomorrow all Prairie Catholic students will be celebrating Patron's Day at Wyalusing State Park. We will be taking the trip no matter what the weather brings our way. Please have your students ready to be outside all day in cool and possibly rainy weather. Please drop off students at their normal time. They will be bused out to the park at **8:30am**. Fr. Weighner will celebrate a **Mass at 9:00am** and the students will have different breakout sessions throughout the day. The cooks have prepared a lunch that will be served at noon. All students will come back to **Prairie du Chien at 1:30pm**. The pre-kindergarten students will be taken to St. Gabriel's daycare. All other students will travel to the high school's little theater for a chemistry demonstration. At **3:00pm** St. Gabriel's students will be bused back to the elementary and the middle school students will walk back to St. John's. **All students will be ready for pick up from their normal school at normal time.** Our Prairie Catholic community is welcome to attend any part of the day.

It is with regret that I pass along this note. Mr. Dave Zimmer, our Washington DC tour guide for many years, has been diagnosed with cancer and is no longer able to chaperone trips to the capitol. Mr. Zimmer is receiving treatment so he has more time on his hands than he is accustomed. I have his address if anyone would like to write him. I know many of our former students and parents have a great deal of respect and love for Dave. He has expressed his fondness for Prairie Catholic so please keep Dave in your prayers.

- Student Council officers and representatives have been elected. Joining our officers of:  
**President:** Sam Peterson                      **Vice-President:** Ben Teynor  
**Secretary:** Joshua Linder                      **Treasurer:** Preston Hendrix  
The class representative are: 8<sup>th</sup>- Evan Boisvert, Liz Mezera, 7<sup>th</sup>- Peggy Koresh, Gracie Colson, Weston Hill and Morgan Kiesau, 6<sup>th</sup>- Breanna Teynor and Sophie Miller.
- All boys and girls ages 8 - 14 as of Sept. 1, 2013 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2013 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge. The local competition will be held Saturday, Sept. 21, 2013. Registration starts at 10:45 am with the competition starting at 11:00 am. The challenge will be held at the soccer fields at Bluffview School. For more information contact Bill Schultz at 608-874-4165.
- There is a birthday party for Fr. Jack scheduled in the cafeteria at St. Gabriel's School on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00am to 3:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- There is **NO SCHOOL** on Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> as the teachers will be in La Crosse for training.
- There is a Home and School meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in St. Gabriel's School cafeteria. This first meeting is where the committee sets the year's plan. Everyone is welcome to attend and share their ideas.
- Prairie Catholic has had a profitable Magazine Sale. The final turn is day was yesterday. Prairie Catholic would like to thank Liz Steiner-Hall for her work organizing the turn in days and all of the students who sold magazines to help our school. Your help is greatly appreciated.

- The 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be offering a Chicken Q on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> as a Washington DC fundraiser. Remember, the class delivers! It is a great alternative to a cold meat sandwich.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> grade will also meet as a class for a Washington DC fundraising meeting on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in St. Gabriel's cafeteria. They will be discussing the Valentine's Day dance and Mardi Gras.

**Job well done:** Last year's Prairie Catholic fourth grade students (this year's fifth grade) scored a Grade Equivalency of 6.2 on the Language portion of The Iowa Tests. This was good for a **99<sup>th</sup>** percentile rank of National School Norms. Great Job!

*Prayer: Jesus our Savior, through another's tears, you help us understand the depth of your forgiveness. Help us to receive your gift of reconciliation. We ask this in your name. Amen.*

### **Mark Your Calendars**

- September 20<sup>th</sup> – Patrons Day at Wyalusing Park
- September 20<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Athletic Eligibility Check
- September 22<sup>nd</sup> – Birthday Party pot luck for Fr. Jack, St. Gabriel's basement after 10:00am Mass
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fall Teacher Regionals in La Crosse – NO SCHOOL
- September 24<sup>th</sup> – Mid-Term 1
- September 25<sup>th</sup> – Home and School Meeting, St. Gabriel's basement, 6:30pm
- October 3<sup>rd</sup> – Health Screening at St. Gabriel's
- October 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Chicken Q, Lunch time
- October 7<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> – Fire Prevention Week.
- October 9<sup>th</sup> – Smokehouse at St. Gabriel's for 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 10:00am
- October 10<sup>th</sup> – Fire Prevention Assembly, St. Gabriel's, 2:30pm



Thank you Knights of Columbus for the check from the Tootsie Roll Sales!