



# Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter November 26, 2014

## Messages from Principal:

Parents please remember that this is that time of year where the temperatures start to dip low, especially in the morning when students are waiting outside before school. Our students will wait outside before school or will go outside for recess if the temperature is ten degrees or above for elementary students or zero degrees and above for middle school students. These are the same designations we have used in the past. Please remind students to dress for the cold. We will not allow students inside the buildings due to under dress and will expect all students follow the guidelines.

- Note to parents: The State of Wisconsin will allow a tax deduction for private schools tuition expenses. Please remember when filing.
- On Tuesday Prairie Catholic was happy to welcome Sargent Teynor into the school to present internet and social media safety precautions to the students. His expertise and experience in this area was well received by the students and parents in attendance.
- Sargent Teynor will also offer a presentation to parents on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm regarding parental supervision of their children's internet and social media usage. This presentation is geared toward parents that want more information regarding privacy constraints for children and adolescents.
- The school would like to thank every accommodation parents made to ensure their child was ready for our yearly Iowa testing. We will receive the results early in the new year.
- The school is searching for students who may need winter clothing (coats, hats, gloves, snow-pants, etc.) as a local company can help. If you have a child in mind please let the school know.
- Mrs. Welter will start the Art Blasters art club on January 13, 2013. The group will meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in the month from 3:15-4:30pm. Sign up begins on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Any art or craft donations to this program are welcome.
- Parents, the snow on the ground earlier this week reminded us that in the case of inclement weather Prairie Catholic will follow the public school late start/early out postings. The school would like to remind parents to listen to the radio each morning if you have questions about weather related delays or cancelations. Please remember that if Prairie du Chien Public School has delayed or canceled, the same applies to Prairie Catholic.
- The Prairie Catholic Christmas Program will be on **Wednesday, December, 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** in St. Gabriel's Church. We will reserve Wednesday, December 17<sup>th</sup> as a make-up date in case of cancellation.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade is selling soup as a Washington DC fundraiser this month of November. You can order by contacting your favorite 7<sup>th</sup> grade student or by contacting the office. All orders are due on Monday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Bingo is looking for a caller for every other third week of the month. This is a fun way to get volunteer credit.

- Prairie Catholic will be helping the Jaycees in collecting items for Operation Santa. The items will be collected by Friday, December 5th. They are looking for toys (new or gently used), coats/hats/mittens, new or gently used clothing and non-perishable food items.
- Please contact the school if you would like to help sell Scrip after weekend Masses.
- The Salvation Army of Crawford County has volunteer opportunities available. They are asking for two hours (or more) of time ringing the bell for Salvation Army. Bell Ringing begins on Friday, November 21st and goes through Christmas Eve at Piggly Wiggly and Walmart in Prairie du Chien. Individuals, groups and families are encouraged! To sign-up please call 326-8321 in the mornings or email at pdcmc@gmail.com This is a great opportunity to earn volunteer hours and help your local community!
- The Knights of Columbus Council 1840 invites all boys and girls in grades 1 – 4 to participate in our annual Christmas Poster Contest. The contest window is from November 21<sup>st</sup> – December 17<sup>th</sup>. The theme this year is “The True Meaning of Christmas”.

*Prayer: God, King of the universe, throughout all of time, you are the one who has been Lord over all. All of creation was made to serve you. May we continue to pray to you to learn more about your will. May we look to the life of your Son Jesus as a guide for living. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## Mark Your Calendars

November 26<sup>th</sup> – 1:00pm Dismissal  
 November 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> – No School  
 December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sargent Teynor presentation to parents on Social Media and Internet, 6:00pm  
 December 5<sup>th</sup> – Athletic Eligibility  
 December 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Program Practice, 9:30-11:00am  
 December 10<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Program, St. Gabriel’s Church, 6:30pm  
 December 11<sup>th</sup> – First Grade Cookie Decorating  
 December 12<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Polar Express Day  
 December 17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Program Make-up Date  
 December 18<sup>th</sup> – Farm to School  
 December 19<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Cookie Decorating  
 December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Second Grade to Villa Luis  
 December 23<sup>rd</sup> – Second Grade Caroling  
 December 23<sup>rd</sup> – 1:00pm Dismissal  
 December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 4<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Break

## Basketball

December 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6/7 Girls vs. Richland Center, 5:00/6:00pm  
 December 6<sup>th</sup> – 8 Boys @ River Ridge Tournament  
 December 11<sup>th</sup> – 7/8 Girls @ Clayton Ridge, Garnavillo, IA, 4:30/5:30pm  
 December 13<sup>th</sup> – 8 Boys @ Wauzeka Tournament  
 December 13<sup>th</sup> – 7 Girls @ SWBL – Platteville  
 December 13<sup>th</sup> – 6 Girls @ GNBL  
 December 18<sup>th</sup> – 7/8 Girls @ River Ridge, 4:30/5:30pm  
 December 19<sup>th</sup> – 8 Boys @ MFL, 4:00  
 December 20<sup>th</sup> – 8 Girls @ SWBL – Lodi  
 December 20<sup>th</sup> – 8 Boys @ SWBL – Prairie du Chien  
 December 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6 Girls @ River Ridge (Bloomington), 6:00pm

