



# Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter January 28, 2016

## Messages from Principal:

Catholic Schools Week is next week and as always we have prepared many activities for the students. The week starts on Sunday with a Kick-off Mass at St. John's at 10:00am. The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade will host Dad's Belgian Waffles at St. Gabriel's School. The Knights of Columbus will host a Free Throw Contest at the High School at 12:00pm.

**Monday's** theme is School Spirit. All the students are encouraged to wear Saints apparel. We will also welcome Opera for the Young at 1:45pm.

**Tuesday's** theme is Dress Up Day. Students are encouraged to dress in their finest attire. We will start the day with an All School Mass where we will announce our Honor Roll students. We will also have the school Spelling Bee at 2:15 in the Cafeteria. In addition we will host the Knights of Columbus Knowledge Contest at 4:00pm. Any fifth through eighth grade student can participate in either the spelling or math exams.

**Wednesday's** theme is Break the Dress Code as students can wear sweats, blue jeans and flip flops. We will also host Family Night on Wednesday. The Book Fair will run from 4:00-8:00pm in the library. The new school addition will be open for tours from 4:00-6:00pm. The Men's Club will offer a Burgers and Fries, free will donation for the meal from 4:30-6:00pm in the cafeteria. The teachers will offer student activities from 5:00-6:00pm in the annex. Dennis Tlachac and his Nature's Niche exotic animals will entertain the crowd from 6:00-7:00pm.

**Thursday** is the school's 100 Day Celebration. Each student is asked to bring one canned good to donate to the local CAP office.

**Friday** is the annual ski trip for the fifth through eighth grades to Mt. La Crosse from 8:00am-4:00pm. The elementary students will have a movie in the afternoon. The Home and School Association will also host a sledding party at LaRiviere Park. (Watch Skylert for more info next week.) **If your student is not riding home on the school bus, the school needs written permission by Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>.**

- The Prairie Catholic School Library is hosting the Scholastic Book Fair during Catholic Schools Week. The book fair will be set up from January 29<sup>th</sup> through noon, February 4<sup>th</sup>. The book fair is open during regular school hours as well as Wednesday evening, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, for Family Night (4:00 - 7:00 PM). Please stop by the library to view a great selection of books to purchase for your student or check for the teachers wish list. Every teacher has a list of books they would enjoy in their classrooms.
- The school is looking for volunteers that would like to help serve the Burgers and Fries meal on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Men's Club always does a great job preparing the food but we could use a handful of individuals to serve. If you are interested please contact the school office. Please see flyer regarding bars for dessert.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> grade class will be hosting Dad's Belgian Waffles on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 8:00am-12:00pm to kick off Catholic Schools Week. The menu includes all you can eat waffles with nine different syrups, sausage, milk and coffee for \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door, and children under 5 are free. They will be selling tickets after all the masses until the day of the event.
- The school will host Parent/Teacher Conferences on **Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** from 4-8:00pm. The school can request a meeting, parents can request a meeting or you can choose not to meet.

- Grandparents Day and Mardi Gras are early on the calendar this year! We will celebrate on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Grandparents or VIP's are welcome to eat lunch with students starting at 11:00am. Fr. Weighner will celebrate Mass at 12:15pm in St. Gabriel's Church. The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade will host Mardi Gras carnival games from 1:00-2:45pm. Make plans to attend either or both event! Please see enclosed flyers.
- The Student Council will be taking orders for Valentine candy grams starting January 26<sup>th</sup> through February 8<sup>th</sup>. Delivery will be Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. They would also like to report that the bake sale on Friday made \$567.80 for the Bartel's family. They will continue to take donation until February 12<sup>th</sup>, if any family still wanted to donate. THANK YOU!
- The students will attend Ash Wednesday Mass on February 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Gabriel's Church.
- The school's Box Top deadline is February 28<sup>th</sup>. Those \$.10 labels have added up to over \$21,000 in 20 years. You can drop them off at the school, the back of both churches or at Coordinator Rhonda Stubbe's home at 328 N. Beaumont. Let's earn another \$1,000 in more free money!
- Parents, please remember 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.
- A quick note regarding Prairie Catholic Daycare. During the event of a late start, the daycare is open at normal time, 7:00am. If school is then canceled before lunch, we would like to close. If school is cancelled after lunch, the daycare is open until normal closing time. Thank you.

*Prayer: Lord Jesus, you came among us to show us how to live. Help us to be a healing presence to the world. We ask this in your name. Amen.*

### **Job well done!**

This year's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Iowa Assessments have been reviewed and the results are positive. The National Percentile Rank of their Average Student Standard Score in the area of Written Expression was 83<sup>rd</sup> percentile! Great Work! The Iowa Assessments report for your child will be coming home in next week's envelope.

### **Mark Your Calendars**

- January 29<sup>th</sup> – Middle School Band Trip
- January 31<sup>st</sup> – Catholic Schools Week Kickoff
- January 31<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade DC Fundraiser, Waffle Breakfast, 8:00am
- January 31<sup>st</sup> – Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest, High School, Registration 12:00pm, Shooting 1:00pm
- February 1<sup>st</sup> – Opera for the Young, 2:00pm
- February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Honor Roll Mass – St. Gabriel's 8:15 am
- February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Knights of Columbus Knowledge Contest, 4:00pm
- February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Family Night
- February 4<sup>th</sup> – 100<sup>th</sup> day Celebration
- February 5<sup>th</sup> – Ski Trip
- February 5<sup>th</sup> – Sledding Party
- February 9<sup>th</sup> – Mardi Gras and Grandparents Day
- February 9<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4-8:00pm
- February 10<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday
- February 16<sup>th</sup> – Hard Work Counts
- February 17<sup>th</sup> – Math Counts
- February 17<sup>th</sup> – Mid-Term 3

