

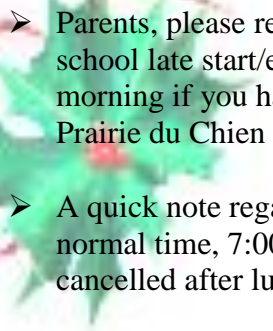


Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter December 10, 2015

Messages from Principal:

The school Christmas Concert was a great night for the students. Everyone in attendance was impressed by how beautiful the voices sounded. The administration would like to thank Mrs. Stiemke and the entire staff for all of their hard work. We would also like to thank Mr. Stiemke for his expertise on the sound board and Terri Connell for her two extra hands helping as needed.

- Progress reports for middle school students are included in this mailing. Please remember this is your student's grade as of the end of mid-term. Please check skyward for current grades.
- Prairie Catholic will hold its annual Geography Bee on Friday, December 11th in the school cafeteria at 2:30pm. Ten students from 6th, 7th and 8th grades will be competing.
- The winter Math Counts Competition will be held on Wednesday, December 16th at Huckleberry's Restaurant at 12:30pm. Prairie Catholic will compete against PdC Bluff View and Wauzeka-Steuben Schools. Good Luck Saints!
- We have had some volunteers step forward to help at the Prairie Catholic Basketball Tournaments. We are still looking for help especially for the boys tournaments on the 23rd. These are perfect days to get the majority of your **volunteer credit** hours completed as you would not have to take off from work or sit on a committee. Please contact the school if you are interested in helping as we will need many volunteers.
- Student council will be running two fundraisers the next two weeks. On the 11th they will be sponsoring a bake sale with all items \$.25 or \$.50. On December 18th they will sponsor an Ugly Sweater Day. A \$1.00 donation allows you to wear your best Ugly Sweater. All money raised will go to our support of Sarah.
- Please get out and sell your Sweepstake Calendars. This is a profitable endeavor for the school and parish so please help as you can.
- Through a private donation, the school has the opportunity to help needy students in our school with a brand new winter coat. If your student has grown out of their old jacket please contact the school with the desired size and we will help them get a new one.
- 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 now until December 18th. The theme this year is "The True Meaning of Christmas".
- Christmas Children's Mass will be held at St. John's on December 24th at 5:30pm. Any students in third through eighth grades that would like to join the Children's Choir should be in the loft at 5:10pm. This Mass is very well attended so make sure you get there early.

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- 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.
 - The school would also accept graphing calculators as a donation to the school. Many families purchase them for a student in high school but don't use them again after graduation. If you have one in your home collecting dust please consider donating it to the school.
 - The 8th Grade is selling candy bars as a Washington DC fundraiser so see your favorite 8th grader for your next purchase.
 - The Crawford County Dairy Royalty including Prairie Catholic 4th grader Little Miss Squirt Lindsey Nolan have agreed to be pie'd at the Crawford County Gala in 2016 if \$500 in donations is received by New Year's Eve. To donate mail a check to the Crawford County Fair, 225 N. Bearumont Rd. Ste. 240 Prairie du Chien, WI 53821.

Prayer: Glorious God, help us to spread knowledge of you over the whole earth. Help us to carry kindness in our hearts, to refrain from hurting others, and to ask for forgiveness when we do. Help us to be peace makers. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Mark Your Calendars

- December 11th – Kindergarten Polar Express
- December 11th – Student Council Bake Sale
- December 11th – Prairie Catholic Geography Bee, Cafeteria, 2:30pm
- December 16th – Math Counts Competition, Huckleberry's, 12:30pm
- December 17th – Farm to School, pm
- December 17th – Kindergarten Cookie Decorating
- December 18th – Student Council Ugly Sweater Day
- December 18th – 3rd and 5th Grade singing at Prairie Masson, 1:45pm
- December 22nd – 3rd and 5th Grade singing at Walter Schmitt, 2:00pm
- December 24th – Children's Mass, St. John's Church, 5:30pm
- December 25th – Community Christmas Dinner, School Cafeteria, 12:00pm

Upcoming Basketball Games

- December 10th – 7/8 @Clayton Ridge, Garnavillo, 4/5:00pm
 - December 15th - @ River Ridge Bloomington Middle School, 4:30/5:30pm
 - December 21st – 8 vs. Cassville @ Prairie Catholic, 4:30
 - January 7th – 7/8 vs. River Ridge @ Prairie Catholic, 4:30/5:30pm
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