



PRAIRIE CATHOLIC WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

April 11, 2019

From the Principal

Dear Families,

During our Lenten journey, we are reminded that it is not about grand gestures, but rather small acts of kindness, small steps made in faith, and small displays of love and solidarity. Our students are reminded that each kind act does not necessarily make an immediate, large impact. But as we keep walking in Jesus' footsteps, our actions can add up. The world will witness God's love when we share it with others.

Our Student Council reached their goal of \$1000 to send to Sara in Casa Hogar. Congratulation to our Student Council and school for displaying love towards another student in need and such a beautiful act of kindness.

April 8-12, 2019 is Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week in Wisconsin. This is a perfect time for us at school and home to review severe weather safety procedures and participate in the annual tornado drill.

- Wisconsin averages 23 tornadoes annually.
- The National Weather Service (NWS) confirmed 33 tornadoes in the state in 2018. This included 19 tornadoes on August 28, the second largest August tornado outbreak in Wisconsin's weather history. One of those tornadoes near Brownsville in Dodge County was rated EF2 with winds near 125 mph - the strongest of the year.

Thursday, April 11, 2019, two statewide tornado drills are planned - one in the afternoon and one in the evening. An evening drill is scheduled on the same day with a mock tornado warning to take place at 6:45 p.m. This drill provides your students and their families a great opportunity to practice severe weather safety plans at home. The drill ends at 7 p.m.

Today at school we practiced a mock tornado drill in the morning with 3K, 4K and daycare and then in the afternoon with grades K-8th.

*"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." (Psalm 51:10)
Let God enable our inner gentleness and kindness in all we are and do!*

With peace~
Mary Henry, Principal



First Communion Retreat – The 2nd grade students will be participating in the **First Communion Retreat on Saturday, April 13th** in the school cafeteria. The students will be participating in different stations preparing them for the sacrament.

Washington DC Meetings – There will be a **"Pack it up Meeting"** for all 7th & 8th graders and parents **April 15th**. This is a **mandatory meeting for anyone going on the trip.** (Students & Parents) We will meet at 5:30pm in the school cafeteria.

Early Bird Registration- Thank you to all the families who have turned in their early registration forms. Don't forget that Wednesday April 17th is the cutoff date for the early registration discounts and eligibility for the 2 half tuition drawings! Early Bird cut-off date for 3k and 4k registration is tomorrow April 12th.



Kids Heart Challenge - Prairie Catholic School participated in Kids Heart Challenge and raised \$1,560 as a school. Our top fundraiser was Everitt S. in 4K. Jump Kids Heart Challenge is a national education and fundraising event sponsored by the American Heart Association. It is meant to engage elementary and middle school students with jumping rope while empowering them to improve their own health and help other kids with heart-health issues. Become a Heart Hero!

Opera for the Young Performance – the students enjoyed Super Storm, a performance by the Madison Opera for the Young on March 28th. 16 students participated with the cast. We have enjoyed performances by them for many years usually during Catholic Schools week.



Mark your Calendars – the Knights of Columbus will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 14th after the St John's Sunday Mass for Infants – 12 years old. See the flyer going home today in the brown envelope for details.

First Communion - First Communion will be held Sunday, April 28th at 10:00am Mass at St. Gabriel's Church. Please pray for our students receiving this sacrament. All students in grades 3rd – 8th are encouraged to join the adult choir who will be singing. Please go directly to the choir loft by 9:45am Sunday morning.



Coming Home Today

Below is the information coming home this week. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

- Newsletter
- Weekly Church Bulletin
- Server Schedule – Holy Week
- Crossing Rivers Safe Sitter Flyer - 5th-8th grade

Upcoming Events

April 12th – Break the Code Day – Twin Day - \$1.00 to Student Council

April 12th – Early Bird registration cutoff date 3k & 4k.

April 13th – First Communion Retreat

April 15th – Pack it up meeting – Washington DC trip – Mandatory Meeting

April 16th – 8th grade – Chrism Mass @ La Crosse

April 17th – Mid Term 4

April 17th – Live Stations of the Cross

April 17th – Academic Eligibility

April 17th – Early Bird registration cutoff date Kindergarten – 8th grade.

April 18th-19th – No School

April 22nd – **School Day** – Makeup Snow day

April 25th - Progress Reports go home

April 26th – Prairie Catholic School Free Throw Contest

April 26th – Break the Code Day – Beach Day - \$1.00 to Student Council

April 28th – First Communion

May 1st – Confirmation – St. John's – 6:00pm

May 4th – Saints Scramble Golf Outing

May 13th – 19th – 7th & 8th Grade Washington DC trip

May 21nd – 8th Grade Graduation

May 24th – Last Day of School

