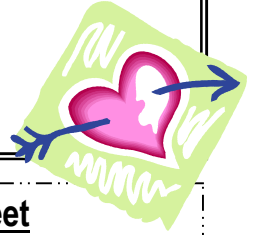




School Connections

From the Principal's Desk

February 2010



Catholic Schools Week
January 31 – February 5
 See Schedule of events on your menu

Other dates to Remember...

- February
- 5 – Magazine Sale Kick-off
 - 8 – Colts Monday – No School
 - 12 – Mid-term Reports
Science Fair Registrations Due
 - 15 – President's Day – No School
 - 17 – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins
 - 23 – Science Fair set-up and Judging
 - 27 – Deanery Academic Meet

Deanery Academic Meet

Each year the 5th and 6th grade students compete in a Deanery Academic Meet. The team is divided into smaller groups of five who compete in the various academic areas. The meet will be held at Oldenburg Academy at 9:00 on February 27th.

This year's team members are:

Grace Burkhart	Spencer Burkert
Jake Buening	David Lawrence
Francis Teague	Travis Nobbe
Matthew Navarra	Rylie Smith
Nicole Ploeger	Samantha Nobbe
Reid Domingo	Julia Colson
Austin Kane	

Coaches are:

Mrs. Laura Domingo	Mrs. Eva Volz
Miss Marge Bruns	Mrs. Trish Witkemper

So many fun things are planned to help celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Please see the back of the menu so you don't miss out on anything! 😊

PLEASE!!

FAITH 2000

Each year students in third and sixth grade are given a survey on the Catholic faith. This survey helps us to evaluate our program and see where we need to make adjustments. This year the test will take place in February. The teachers will give you more specifics when this is scheduled.

DWP Awards

To give acknowledgement to those students who practice the skills associated with Discipline With Purpose, each month we have a drawing and students are given little treats.

The students' names are added to the drawing by adults in the building who notice them following the DWP skills.

If your child's name is drawn, they will also be given a certificate which explains what they were doing to gain this privilege.

We hope to see the names in our drawing increase as the year continues.

Take note...

Many of you probably know that some schools send out recorded phone messages in order to reach their parents for various reasons such as school closings or other events.

We have investigated the option of adding our student's phone numbers to the calling list with Greensburg Schools. Since there is a fee involved with this and we would only be reaping the benefits of half the school year, this may be a consideration for next year. However, this year we are working on registering with WISH TV and Channel 13 on their alert system. There is no fee involved with this and both allow parents to sign up to receive text messages or emails should a closing occur. We are hoping to have this in place in the very near future, but until then please stay tuned to WTRE and note that when Greensburg Community Schools are delayed or closed, that would also include St. Mary's.

We would be happy to hear your feelings on these options for next year.

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A Few More Tidbits....

- There will be no lunch slips sent home next week (February 5th)
- Ten students from St. Mary's were invited to attend mass with the Archbishop on Tuesday February 2nd. Mrs. Myers and I will accompany the students to the mass as we celebrate Catholic Schools Week together.
- Science Fair Registration Forms are due by February 12th. The set-up and judging for Science Fair will be on Tuesday February 23rd. Please stop by on Wednesday to view the projects and to see all the wonderful ideas.
- We have enjoyed our "Family Fun Night" celebrations that have been held in the past. We won't be holding one during Catholic Schools Week, so look for details later in the year so we can continue this tradition. ☺

COLTS MONDAY!!!!

Archbishop Daniel has declared Monday, February 8, 2010, the day after the Colts play in the Super Bowl, as an official day off for all Archdiocesan schools and the Catholic Center. The Archbishop wishes to acknowledge the Colts and the strong examples of positive role models and community involvement demonstrated by the team. It is a local decision as to how this day will be made up. We are leaning towards using Good Friday as this make-up day, but will keep you informed as to how we will handle this as time gets closer.

