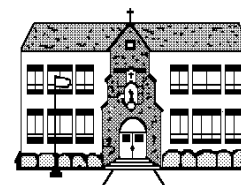


# Blessed Sacrament

A Community of Faith, Knowledge, and Service



## NEWSLETTER

## MARCH 2017

### THANK YOU

The faculty and staff would like to sincerely thank the officers of the P.T.A. and all of the parents who helped with all the fun activities during Catholic Schools' Week. Every activity planned was a huge success and enjoyed by all due to all of your efforts. Students raised **\$800** through the Job Swap Raffle and Used Books Sale. A check in the amount of **\$1000** was presented to the Patrick Wiese Foundation in honor of Jack Sheridan.

*The following students were selected in the Job Swap Raffle:*

Principal	Natalie Testa
Secretary	Hannah Kinne
Custodians	Rebecca Cowles, Maggie Peregoy, Sawyer Barr
Gr. 6 Teachers	Derek Barr, Luke McCarthy
Gr. 5 Teachers	Luciano Grenga, Margaret Kuehner
Gr. 4 Teachers	Michael D'Agata, Carmella Fairbanks
Gr. 3 Teachers	Andrew Wait, Sam Fairbanks
Gr. 2 Teachers	Liana Thomas, Jewell Fernandez
Gr. 1 Teachers	Joseph Calangelo, Olivia Bitz
Gr. K Teachers	Isabella Scollo, Peyton Bean
Kindergarten Aide	Lorelei Cranner
Pre-K Teacher	Rebecca Bielass
Pre-K Aide	Sofia Finn Zach Carlini
Tiny Eagles	Haven Schultz
Tiny Eagles Aide	Jolie Darby
Nurse	AJ D'Agata
Library	Izabella Wagner
Art	Avery Smith
Music	Gabrielle Wild De-Sellems

Students did an excellent job assuming these roles and should be commended for a job well done.

### SCHOOL BANKING



From all reports, banking at school has been a real hit with our students. During the month of January, Alec Kinne won the opportunity to search for gold at the end of the rainbow. Alec collected \$255 to put into his account. Don't forget to make a deposit to be entered to win a chance for the Spring Assembly! It is not too late to open up an account, just call the CORE Credit Union at 656-8220 to request a new account kit.

### "REACH FOR YOUR GOAL....READ"

During Catholic Schools' Week, we had a special reading assembly to see how well we were doing as a school to reach Mrs. Polcaro's Reading Challenge. Each class has read the following number of books:

<b>Tiny Eagles</b>	<b>1120</b>	<b>3-A</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>Pre-K</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>3-B</b>	<b>1120</b>
<b>K-A</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>4-A</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>K-B</b>	<b>1920</b>	<b>4-B</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>1-A</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>5-A</b>	<b>150</b>
<b>1-B</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>5-B</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>2-A</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>6-A</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>2-B</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>6-B</b>	<b>130</b>

Students have read an awesome grand total of **9057** books! We are on our way to reading **20,000** books!!! Mrs. Polcaro promised that if students reach the goal she will be the goalie in the human foosball inflatable!

March is also the last month that we are able to participate in Pizza Hut's Book It Program. Parents and students have tried real hard to read everyday for at least 15 minutes. **Thank you everyone for your participation and to Mrs. Johanna Kensy for completing all of the pizza coupons and certificates each month.**

### APRIL ANTICS

We will again be sponsoring the April Antics Daycare Program during spring break from April 17th through April 21<sup>st</sup>. This program will operate from 7:30a.m. until 5:30p.m. Monday through Friday here at Blessed Sacrament School. The purpose of the program is to provide children with an opportunity to enrich their lives through learning, sharing, caring, and, of course, enjoying this vacation time.

**Registration for the "April Antics" will be limited.**

The cost will be:

<b>Full Week Rates</b>		<b>Daily Rates</b>	
1 <sup>ST</sup> CHILD	\$110	1 <sup>ST</sup> CHILD	\$30
2 <sup>ND</sup> CHILD	\$90	2 <sup>ND</sup> CHILD	\$25
3 <sup>RD</sup> CHILD	\$75	3 <sup>RD</sup> CHILD	\$20

**Mrs. DW will take registrations only through the main office at 463-1261. Please do not assume you are on the list, call Mrs. DW right away!**

## **BITS AND PIECES**

- February was the final month to collect **General Mills Cereal Box Tops** for this year. We will receive \$.10 for every box top. **Please continue to save the box tops for next year's campaign.** We would like to especially thank Mrs. Johanna Kensity for counting and organizing all of our box tops.
- Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring a delicious spaghetti dinner during Catholic Schools Week and to the many families who attended this event. We received a check in the amount of \$1167 for our school library from the Knights. We greatly appreciate their support.
- **150 new books** have been processed into the Library since September. Many of these new books were requests or suggestions by our students.
- Great American Cookie Dough and Magazine fundraiser orders are **due on or before 2/28/17.**
- Students in grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> who participated in our basketball program will be honored at **Awards Night on, March 7, 2017 at 6:00p.m.**
- The **Parent Teacher Association** will hold its regularly scheduled bimonthly meeting, on **Thursday, March 9, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.** in the lower parish center. **Two \$500 scholarship winners will be chosen at this meeting. Everyone who returned their re-application form with the \$50 application fee by Tuesday, February 28, 2017 was eligible for these drawings.** Childcare and refreshments will be available.
- The **Dance Recital** will take place on **Thursday March 16, 2017 at 6:30p.m.** Dancers will need to be in the **All Purpose room at 6:00p.m.**
- The PTA is sponsoring an **Ice Skating Party** at Sunnycrest Ice Skating Rink on **Saturday, March 18, 2017 at 6:00p.m.** More information will be forthcoming regarding this fun-filled event.
- The annual Bishop Grimes Academic Games will take place on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Art, Religion, and Essay projects are due on 2/28/17. These projects will be judged prior to the actual event and displayed at the games.
- A special word of thanks to all of the families who donated prizes for **Family Night Bingo.** This event **has been rescheduled to take place on Saturday, April 1, 2017, at 7:00pm in the Eagles Café.**

## **FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE**

In order to assist families with the SMART Tuition Aid Analysis applications, Mrs. Medina will be available to help with the applications. Individual appointments can be made by calling the finance office at 463-1261. All participants will need to bring Tax Forms, W2's, Pay Stubs, and a \$22 application fee. Your documentation will be scanned and submitted with your online application. **The deadline for applications is 3/15/17. No financial aid will be awarded to applications that are filed late. We have been given a few paper applications for families who are not able to file online. If you need a paper application, please call the school office at 463-1261.**

## **LENT**

The Lenten Season will begin on March 1, 2017 with our Ash Wednesday Liturgy planned by Mrs. Millay's third grade class at 9:00am. Again this year, we will be participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Campaign. Every family has received a rice bowl to fill with your donation for this worthwhile campaign. All rice bowls need to be returned by 4/10/17. During the season of Lent, we have the chance to re-center our lives, to check and see if we are living according to God's will or simply following our own wants and desires. These holy days are our new year - here is the time for resolutions ones that will be kept, not only during Lent but throughout our entire lives.

## **POSTER CONTEST WINNERS 2017**

### **HAPPY AND HEALTHY POSTER**

KA	Olivia DiPaulo & Nola Harmon
KB	Noah Coppola, Brielle Ladouceur & Camryn Mullett-Walker
1A	Peyton Bean, Jackson Finn & Elizabeth Kuehner
1B	Selena Hamlin & Sofia LaRouche
2A	Domenika Alvarado-Vinces, Seneca Horan & Maya White
2B	Lola Angotti & Alexander Locke
3A	Sawyer Barr & Margaret Kuehner
3B	Jolie Darby & Adrianna Scollo

### **DRUGS MIX YOU UP POSTER**

4A	Lila Acosta & Avial Johnson
4B	Daniel Shaw & Frank Von Hassel
5A	Rebecca Bielass, Sofia Finn & Luke Petragrani
5B	Giana Calangelo & Jack Gregory
6A	Dacia Natal & Vienna Rinaldi
6B	Grace Chiarenza, Giselle Colón, Jaidyn Crite & Mia Schimpff

*Congratulations to all of our participants and a special word of thanks to Miss Janet Driscoll for coordinating this worthwhile event.*