



Thursday Letter – February 11, 2010

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The weeks are flying by. We had fun celebrating Catholic Schools Week and are now preparing for Lent. Lent is a great time to regroup. The first reading on Ash Wednesday, found in the book of Joel, reminds us to come back to the Lord with our whole heart. What a great theme to guide us as we begin our Lenten journey. Please come and join us for mass on Ash Wednesday.

2010-2011 Registration

Registration packets were sent home in last Thursday's backpack mail. Please return your registration forms by March 15th. It is extremely important that we have exact numbers as we plan for next year.

Pre-School

We have had many inquiries regarding a full day preschool program. If you would be interested in this program, please complete the blue survey form and return it as soon as possible. The tuition will be similar to the current K-8 tuition for the full day program. We can also offer a 5 day half day program from 8:15-11:15 M-F. The cost would be approximately half of the cost of current K-8 tuition. However, we need to have data to show us the need before we proceed on any plans; therefore it is important that you return the surveys as soon as possible if you will be affected by the change.

Catholic Education Foundation

The Catholic Education Foundation provides needs based scholarships for students in the Diocese of Joliet. If you are interested in applying for this grant for the 2010-2011 school year, please call either school office for the application form. The application forms are due March 1st. Late applications will not be accepted.

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Thank you, thank you, thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped out in one way or another as we celebrated our first Catholic Schools Week together. From selling raffle tickets after mass to serving cookies to our grandparents, you are appreciated!!!

Congratulations to 1st grade and 5th grade for winning Penny Wars! While 1st and 5th won ice-cream, the real winners were everyone who helped raise money for Haitian relief efforts. Together we raised over \$1,000! Way to go Hornets!!!

Addison Spaghetti Dinner

It's not too late to purchase your tickets for the Addison Spaghetti Dinner tomorrow night! The Village of Addison is hosting this event to raise funds for the relief efforts in Haiti. You will find a flyer in today's envelope with more details.

Dress Code Reminders

While the dress code is rather relaxed for this year, it is necessary to call attention to some important details.

*Boy's haircuts...*lots are needed! If your son's hair has grown to his collar line in the back, is down to his eyebrows in front, or is covering his ears, he will need a haircut. Please take care of this as soon as possible. Thank you.

Girls make up... Please do not let your daughter come to school with eye make up on. We have been sending many girls to wash their faces as they arrive to school. Please remind your daughters as they leave the house that they cannot wear make up to school. This includes nail polish.

Presidents' Day Reminder/Revised School Calendar

We will not be in attendance this coming Monday, February 15 due to the Presidents' Day holiday. Also, please note the revised school calendar in today's packet. It includes some changes to the last week of school.

PartiGras Celebration

Well, it's here! The auction committee has been planning diligently for three months and is ready for the big event! Thank you to our school parents who donated items to be auctioned, volunteered to help the committee in one capacity or another, or purchased tickets to attend the event. I'd also like to extend a huge thank you to Kristin Gross for coordinating the classroom crafts! We are so excited to see everyone's hard work pay off this Saturday night! I look forward to seeing our school families, and both of our parish families, come together for a night of fun!

Texas HoldEm'...Save the Date!

School Board is hosting a Texas HoldEm' tournament in the gym on Saturday, March 13th. Even if you don't play, you'll still have a lot of fun! Be sure to mark your calendars now! You will find a flyer with more information in today's envelope.

May God bless us with patience as we weather the snow and look forward to sunny days ahead!

Please visit our website at www.hfcatholic.org for updated information, news, upcoming events, school calendar, and fun pictures of our school and kids!

God Bless,

Mrs. Corie Alimento