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NEWSLETTER



Today is Administrative Professionals' Day. I would like to recognize Mrs. Kuhn and Mrs. Stuart for all of the great work that they provide for our students, staff, and parents. Mrs. Kuhn has been at our school since 2006. Mrs. Stuart has been back at our school since 2011, and worked for the school for a total of 13 years before her return back. These amazing ladies wear many many hats throughout the day. Both provide a welcoming smile when you come through the front doors. Their job responsibilities are many, but no matter how busy they are they always make time to put the students first. Thank you both for your Faith, your commitment, and your love for our school!

Senate Bill 85 - A New Opportunity for Ohio Families

There is a new proposal, that will be voted on at the end of this month or early June, that would allow families to choose the school they wanted to send their child(ren) to. In addition to your choice of school, would be an opportunity for a generous scholarship. This would be HUGE for many of our families and our school.

Who would this bill apply to? - Families with a household income at or below 400% of federal poverty guidelines would be eligible to apply for their kids.

For example, 400 percent of the current poverty level for a family of four is \$98,400. Scholarships would be worth up to \$5000 for grades K-8.

Please see the attached S.B. 85 flyer for more details.

- Don't forget that this Friday is our Spring Program in the gym at 1:00. The program will have several songs, a skit, and a band performance. It should last no longer than 30-45 minutes. After the program, you can come back to school and take your student home.
- Please complete the **parent survey** that was emailed to your personal emails last week. Thank you to everyone who has already completed this. The results from this survey will help us improve our school, and it will be used to help recognize one of our teachers as a recipient of the Sister Adela Diller Teacher of the Year Award. **The link to do this will close this Friday, April 28th.**
- **Please sign and return the Diocesan Field Trip Permission forms.**
- The First Communion retreat will take place on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 9am – 12pm in the Educational Center in Paulding. **First Communion will be celebrated at all the weekend Masses on the weekend of May 6 and 7, 2017.** Each First Communion family will be able to choose which Mass their child will attend that weekend for First Communion. Each family will have one reserved pew at their chosen Mass.
- Next week, May 1st - 5th, is **Teacher Appreciation Week**. Please take a moment to show your appreciation during this week.
- If your child sold any plant vouchers for the Greenhouse Effect in our **spring flower fundraiser**, the vouchers will come home in the May 3rd mailing. The actual flowers that your child/children sold will be arriving Wednesday, May 10th and will be ready for pick up at the end of the school day. Thanks!
- If your 6th grade student signed up to go to the **6th grade track meet tomorrow**, they will leave our school at 2:30. Please remember to pick them up at Wayne Trace High School at 5:00.

Classroom Curriculum News

Miss Kaufman - Kindergarten

Thank you to all the students in grades Kindergarten through second grade for all their generous donations to the Heartbeat center of Lima. Ms. Schuster and I traveled to the center this past Monday to drop off all your wonderful items (top picture). The ladies working were over joyed by all the items brought in and couldn't thank us enough for all our students hard work! Wonderful job! :)

Miss Shuster - Grades 1 & 2

This week, Grades 1 and 2 had fun learning how to read a map of Ohio. We divided into groups of three, and each group received a dry-erase Ohio map. We traced the northern and southern borders of Ohio, located Lake Erie, the Ohio River, and our state capital, and used the map legend to find state parks and airports. We also found Payne, Antwerp, and Paulding! This was a great activity to build our map-reading skills and our teamwork! (second picture down)

Mrs. Gideon - Grades 3 & 4

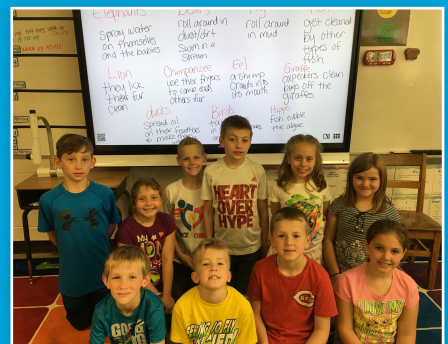
Thank you to everyone for coming out to our World's Fair last night. The students did an amazing job, and it was a great night for them to show off their hard work. (third from top)

Mr. Grant - Grades 5 & 6

In science this past week, the class has just started our final unit, which is on matter. We have been learning that matter is anything that has mass and volume. Students have also been learning about scientific tools used in measuring matter such as a graduated cylinder and a spring scale. We have also been learning about how to find the density of an object by dividing its mass by its volume. In this picture, Kirstynn Roddy is recording the results on a graduated cylinder as we measure the volume of various classroom items. (second picture from bottom)

Mrs. Gerardot - 2, 4, & 6 Reading

In second grade we have been talking about Comparing and Contrasting. The story we read was *Splish, Splash! Animal Baths*. Before reading we talked about animals taking baths and how all animals bathe differently. In the story it gave examples of 11 animals and the ways they clean their body. The students read the story in groups then we came back and listed all the animals the story talked about and the different ways they bathed. You can see in the picture that all animals are different, but have the same characteristics as in eating, sleeping, cleanliness. (bottom picture)



Upcoming Dates:

- In the Wednesday Envelope is the **2017-2018 school calendar.**

- Please complete the **tuition contracts** in this Wednesday Envelope. These need to be signed and returned as soon as possible.

Thur 4/27	Mass @ 9:15
Fri 4/28	- 2 hour delay - Teacher in-service - Spring Program in gym @ 1:00 (preschool through 6th grade performing)
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Thur 5/4	5th and 6th grade field trip
Fri 5/5	- Mass @ 9:15 - Food Pantry - 3rd and 4th grade field trip
Sat 5/6	1st Communion weekend - The retreat is from 9:00 am - 12:00 in Paulding. Students can choose which Mass to attend to celebrate their First Communion.
May 8-12	Catholic Schools Week
Tues 5/9	Staff meeting after school
Fri 5/12	- Mass @ 9:15 - 6th grade goes to Wayne Trace Jr./Sr. High School for orientation today - leave at 11:00 am and go home from Wayne Trace High School
Sat 5/13	School Tin Caps game @ 7:05 pm at Parkview Field
Tues 5/16	Last day of preschool Preschool & Kindergarten Field Trip
Thur 5/18	1st and 2nd grade field trip
Fri 5/19	- Kindergarten Mass at 9:15 - cookout
Sat 5/20	6th grade graduation Mass @ 4:00 Payne church
Mon 5/22	Field Day in Ft. Wayne/picnic in park
Wed 5/24	Final Wednesday Envelope
Thur 5/25	- Awards Ceremony @ 12:30 in gym - Last Day of Classes - 1 hour early dismissal