



Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter December 13, 2012

Messages from Principal:

The administration would like to inform all of our families that a foundation has selected Prairie Catholic School as the recipient of an intriguing grant. It is for \$30,000 and will be used as a matching grant to upgrade our school technology. We are researching various projects that we would like to undertake with the funds. More smart boards could be added or iPads and laptops could be initiated at the middle school. There are many possibilities!

As this is the end of the fiscal year, we want to get word out. If you have been considering a charitable gift to Prairie Catholic School, this is a terrific opportunity to double the effect of your gift.

- The administration would like to thank Ms. Weber for all of her work organizing and performing during last night's Christmas concert. The students sounded great! We would also like to thank the helpers: Trish Hager, Molly Kirchbaum, Bill Rice and Mary Stoeffler.
- Just a reminder, B & C Photography has DVD's of last night's performance for \$15. Order forms included/attached.
- Prairie Catholic would like to congratulate our championship Math Counts Team of Evan Teynor, Jacob Mara, Chas Sagedahl and Mariah Slaght. Prairie Catholic did very well having the top **three** teams in the competition. We also want to congratulate the top individual competition performers of Evan Boisvert and Jacob Mara. A full list of competitors will be in next week's newsletter.
- **ON SALE NOW** Holy Family Parish/Prairie Catholic Schools Sweepstakes Calendars. Please do your best to support our school through this sale. More calendars are available at either school office and make great Christmas gifts.
- The St. John's Geography Bee will be on Friday, December 14th at 2:30pm in St. John's cafeteria. Good luck to the competitors.
- If any families are still looking for Christmas Cards, the 6th grade is selling cards as a part of their elective class. They also have Birthday cards available. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Atkins at St. John's School.
- By the way, there are still raffle tickets available for the red Ford Focus. Someone will drive away in the car on January 30th. We are only selling 2500 tickets so get yours before they're all gone. Remember there are other prizes that night: one \$5,000 first prize and four second place prizes of \$500.
- The Holy Family Youth Group will be caroling on Sunday, December 16th. If you know the name and address of someone who would appreciate the singers, please contact the schools or Mary Stoeffler. This is a great way for someone that typically has very few visitors to get into the Christmas spirit.
- The administration would like to remind parents that the church bulletin is available on the Prairie Catholic website. Please check it out if you missed Mass and are wondering if next week is your turn to sell Scrip, serve Mass or work Bingo.

- Prairie Catholic will gladly accept used ink cartridges; milk caps from Swiss Valley, and Milk Moola; Box Tops for Education; Campbell's soup labels and now Sunny D labels (16oz or larger).

Prayer: Holy God, in the midst of the noisy excitement and distractions of Christmas preparation, give us quiet moments to pray and ponder your wonderful promise to be with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mark Your Calendars

December 14th – Kindergarten Polar Express, St. Gabriel's, afternoon
 December 14th – Geography Bee, St. John's, 2:30
 December 16th – Youth Group Caroling
 December 17th – 2nd Grade caroling at nursing home, 10:00am
 December 18th – Wellness Committee Meeting, St. Gabe's School Basement, 4:00pm
 December 18th – Public School Band Concert, 6th grade 6:30pm, 7/8th grade 7:30pm
 December 19th – Basketball Pictures St. John's Cafeteria, forms in this week's envelope
 December 21st – 2nd Grade Caroling at Walter Schmidt, 2:15pm
 December 21st – Christmas parties in classrooms
 December 24th – Children's Mass, St. Gabriel's, 5:30pm
 January 2nd – Classes Resume at both schools
 January 3rd – Education Commission, St. John's basement, 7:00pm
 January 6th – Youth Group Speaker at St. Gabriel's
 January 9th – Home and School Meeting, St. Gabriel's, 5:30pm

Basketball Calendar

December 13th – 5/6 Girls @ Prairie Catholic vs. River Ridge 5:00/6:00pm
 December 14th – Basketball Eligibility
 December 14th – 5/6 Boys @ Prairie Catholic vs. River Ridge 5:00/6:00pm
 December 14th – 8 Boys @ MFL 4:00pm, (6 quarters)
 December 15th – 5 Boys @ MFL Tournament, 9:00, 10:40, 1:10
 December 15th – 6 Boys @ MFL Tournament, 9:00, 9:50, 11:30
 December 15th – 8 Boys @ MFL Tournament, 10:40, 2:00, 2:50
 December 16th – 5 Girls @ MFL Tournament, 10:50, 11:40, 2:10
 December 16th – 6 Girls @ MFL Tournament, 10:50, 11:40, 2:10
 December 17th – 8 Boys @ Bluff View 7:00pm
 December 19th – Basketball Pictures, St. John's Cafeteria, 3:30pm
 January 3rd – 5/6 Girls @ Prairie Catholic vs. Wauzeka, 5:30/6:30pm
 January 4th – Basketball Eligibility
 January 5th – 5 Girls @ Benton (SWBL)
 January 5th – 6 Girls @ Boscobel (SWBL)
 January 5th – 5 Boys @ Belleville (SWBL)
 January 5th – 8 Boys @ Prairie du Chien (SWBL)
 January 12th – Girls Prairie Catholic Tournaments
 January 19th – Boys Prairie Catholic Tournaments

Fundraising

Holy Family Car Raffle
 Technology Matching Grant
 Sweepstakes Calendars

