



Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter April 18, 2013

Messages from Principal:

As you know today we are running an **early release at 1:00pm**. Also, we will **NOT HAVE SCHOOL on Friday, April 19th**. The teachers and administration will be traveling to Marshfield for a diocesan conference. The trip is causing the early out so we can arrive at a decent time of night. The teachers will be returning after a long day of in-servicing on Friday night.

- Prairie Catholic students enjoyed their afternoon at Hoffman Hall last Friday for Prairie du Chien's first Environmental Day. Students learned about environmental issues and solutions available to our community.
- On Monday, April 15th, the 7th and 8th graders travelled to Madison. They visited the Confederate Cemetery and took guided tours of the State Capitol and Veteran's Museum. Thanks goes out to chaperones Cathy Irvin, Tammy Nolan, Jenni Severson, Mary Stoeffler and Brandon Swiggum for all their help. A big thank you also to the Home and School Association and Men's Club for their generous donations to help cover the cost of this trip.
- On Monday, April 22, the Student Council will be sponsoring a bake sale to raise money for the Smile Train. Please help us recover a child's smile with cleft surgery. Students at St. Gabe's will be able to make a purchase in the morning, and the students at St. John's will be able to buy something during resource time. All items will be \$.50.
- If you in any way able to help the Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Fundraiser, it is a worthwhile cause. A great deal of the Knights fundraising dollars comes back to Prairie Catholic. If you are interested, please contact Stu Bosworth.
- I would like to invite all our families to participate in the **4th Annual Saints Scramble** golf outing on **Saturday, May 11th** at the Prairie du Chien Country Club. As in the past, it is a three person scramble with a 10:00am shotgun start. The outing offers Hole-in-One prizes, door prizes and flag events. The cost is \$65 a person for golf, cart and pastries prior to tee with proceeds going to the Prairie Catholic technology account.
- All Prairie Catholic families and community as a whole are invited to the **2nd Annual Back Home Boys Concert** on Saturday, May 11th at St. Gabriel's School parking lot from 8:00pm-12:00am. This year the concert will be outside under the big tent with refreshments on sale. The cost is \$7 for an adult and \$3 for kids. (\$20 family limit!) Everyone who attended last year had a great time and the entertainment is well worth the price of admission.
- The Prairie du Chien Jaycess will be hosting a Pitch, Hit and Run contest for competitors age 7 through 14. The event will happen on Saturday, May 4th, at 1:00pm at the St. Feriole Island Ballpark. They will be taking registrations at 12:30pm. If you are interest in this event please see the attached/included flier.
- The Prairie Catholic Home and School Association is providing the food stand for this year's Relay for Life event. This is a fun and rewarding fund raiser for our school and the American Cancer Society. If you would like to donate or volunteer please contact Char Steger or refer to the flier attached/included.

- Prairie Catholic will still accept students into the Pre-Kindergarten program throughout the summer. If you have a four year old or know of a family that does, please consider a Catholic education.
- Parents of Prairie Catholic students: an exciting new proposal has been introduced that would offer parents a tax credit for eligible education expenses in private schools. After being phased in, the proposal would provide parents with a child in a private school a credit of up to \$1,500 per student in grades K-8, and \$2,500 per student in grades 9-12. The tuition tax credit would be available to eligible parents statewide. Tell your legislators that supporting the tuition tax credit helps Wisconsin families, keeps private schools strong, and saves money for taxpayers. Let your legislatures know your positive feelings regarding this proposal.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, you sent your Son Jesus into the world so that through him we might come to you. Help us to hunger for good things; for truth, justice, and peace. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mark Your Calendars

- April 18th – Early Dismissal, 1:00pm
- April 18th – Tootsie Roll Drive at St. John’s for Knights of Columbus, afternoon
- April 19th – NO SCHOOL, Teacher in-service, Marshfield
- April 22nd – Student Council Bake Sale, AM at St. Gabriel’s and PM at St. John’s
- April 24th – Pre-K to AmericInn, AM and PM
- April 26th – Mid-Term 4
- April 27th – First Communion Retreat, St. Gabriel’s, 10:00am
- April 28-May 4th – 8th Grade to Washington DC
- May 1st – First Communion Practice, St. Gabriel’s, 6:00pm
- May 5th – First Communion, St. Gabriel’s, 12:00pm

Fundraisers

- May 11th – Saints Scramble, Prairie du Chien Country Club, 12:00pm Shotgun
- May 11th – Back Home Boys Concert, St. Gabriel’s School, 8:00pm-12:00am

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- April 19 - NO SCHOOL
- April 27 - First Communion Retreat
- April 28 - May 4 - Washington DC Trip
- May 5 - First Communion
- May 11 - Golf Outing and Concert
- May 27 - NO SCHOOL
- May 28 - Last Day of School for 8th Grade
- May 29 - Last Day of School, 12:00pm Dismissal
- May 29 - 8th Grade Graduation
- May 30 & 31 - Make up days if needed

