



Prairie Catholic Weekly Newsletter May 23, 2013

Messages from Principal:

As we are moving toward the end of the school year, it is that time where we say good bye to some staff that will not be returning next year. Miss Weber will be taking a new position at the high school. Also, Mrs. Pattison will not be returning to work on the family farm. Both Miss Weber and Mrs. Pattison have given a lot of time, energy and enthusiasm to Prairie Catholic and the students, staff and administration will miss their work. We wish both the best of luck in the future and pray that we can find individuals that are half as dedicated to Prairie Catholic as their predecessors.

- Just like last year the student's last day (Wednesday, May 29th) will be different. All the students will report to St. John's school and we will have our final All-school Mass at 8:20am. Mr. Bartels and Mr. Amundson will meet with any students interested in signing up for Fall sports at 9:30am in St. John's school. Afterward the students will walk to Lochner Park for games and fun. We will serve lunch at 11:15am. The students will be released from the park to their parents at 12:00pm (NOON). Thank you for accommodating this different schedule. That day the students will be allowed to **wear shorts to the All School Mass** due to activities later that morning at the park.
- Prairie du Chien Public would like to host Fall Sports Sign-Up yet this spring. Mr. Bartels and Mr. Amundson would like to talk to the interested students in 4th through 7th grades. We have made a time on Wednesday, May 29th after the All School Mass. The interested students will stop into the school after Mass on their way to Lochner Park. The information from that meeting is attached/included with this newsletter.
- 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony will be on Wednesday, May 29th at 7:00pm in St. John's Church. We have 22 graduating students this year. The 7th grade will be hosting a reception afterward for graduates and families. The public is welcome to the festivities.
- Parent volunteer forms can be turned in at any time to either school office. If you have your family hours completed, we can credit your tuition account.
- Holy Family Parish will host a five day summer camp run by the Dominican Sisters for children who are going into 1st grade through 8th grade. It will run from June 17th to the 21st. The program costs only \$15 per child, 25 for 2 or \$30 per family. Interested families should fill out the included paperwork.
- The Prairie du Chien Football Coaches are offering a Football Camp July 22nd through 25th at the high school for students enrolled in 5th through 8th Grades. Interested families should fill out the included paperwork.
- The diocesan religious assessment results have been returned. Prairie Catholic did very well again. If you have a student in 4th, 5th or 8th grade, their individual results are included in this mailing.
- The current Prairie Catholic 4th grade students are participating in a county wide penny war with other 4th grade classes representing other schools. The contest will lead to a culmination at the county fair. The school's individual jars will be on display at different activities this summer. Look out for opportunities to add pennies that help or silver coins that hurt.



- On August 5, 2013, the Rotary Club of Prairie du Chien will be sponsoring a summer Mississippi River Adventure Day for students ages 5 to 15. Students, and their parents, will pollywog (swim) for mussels, seine for fish, search for aquatic bugs and critters, learn to cast, explore furs, catch fish and turtles, and enjoy a fish fry on the scenic Mississippi River. The registration form is attached to this newsletter or can be obtained at the Czajkowski Higgins & Rider, S. C. office located at 105 E. Blackhawk Avenue, Prairie du Chien, on the Prairie du Chien Rotary Club Facebook page, or at pdcrotary.org. Registration opens May 20, 2013 and space is limited, so act soon!
- The Wellness Committee is still selling the Super Snacks For Super Kids cookbooks! These books contain over 60 healthy snack recipes to fuel kids throughout the day. The books are hard-covered, have colored photos, and make great gifts. The books can be purchased at either school office or at the Czajkowski, Higgins & Rider office on Blackhawk Avenue. The books cost \$20 and 1/2 of that money remains at PCS to support our school's wellness efforts.
- Reminder that all outstanding tuition, lunch balances and fines must be paid. Final report cards will be held, 8th records will not be transferred to the High School and skyward access will be denied until all fines and/or tuition is paid in full. Negative lunch balances, library fines, and book damage fines are to be paid in full by May 24th. If account is paid look for your student's report card on May 29th.
- Parents stop by the Lost and Found at either school to find all the gear that may be missing from your closets! Some of the shirts have names on them so their easy to differentiate.
- 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.

Prayer: Holy God, protect us from people who encourage us to sin. Give us friends who will help us grow in faith and love. We ask this in the name Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Mark Your Calendars

May 23rd – 5th Grade Band Try Outs, Bluff View, 12:00-7:00pm

May 27th – NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day

May 28th – Last Day for 8th Grade

May 29th – Last Day of School

May 29th – 8th Grade Graduation

