

NEWSLETTER

Weekly Office Update



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FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL...

News from Kim Doyle

Little Spirits Preschool Registration and Open House -Tuesday, March 2- 5:30-7:00

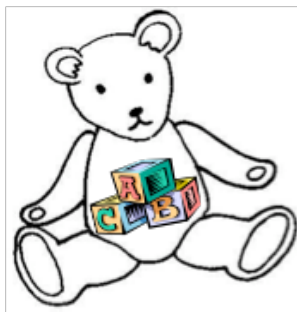
Come and enjoy an ice cream treat, look around the room. meet our teachers. This evening is especially for those who have not yet had a child enrolled in our preschool.

Announcing: Little Spirits

"Cub" House Extended Daycare

A survey and sign up form will be available at the registration night for those those needing daycare options in addition to the preschool program.

Cub House may be available to students registered in preschool with a limited enrollment of 10 students per day. If we have enough interest, we will open in fall.



Dear Parents;

I was reminded by one of our school parents this week of the importance that prayer has in the process of registration. As we work to get everyone to recommit to enroll or to check us out for the first time, we must also ask ourselves what it is about our school that helps us make this decision. Obviously we all want our children to have a faith education that is not separated from the academic pieces of schooling. I need to recommit myself each year as a principal saying to myself- "Is what I am doing worth all of my time and energy?, Does this school do what it is meant to do as a Catholic School and can I be an effective leader to make that mission happen". You must also commit yourselves as a family knowing that you will need to make sacrifices to give your children what you believe to be a healthy place where your child will prosper in all areas of their lives, most importantly their faith life. These commitments do not come to us without a lot of prayer. Fortunately we have many opportunities for prayer at St. Wenceslaus and in our homes. If you commit fully then you can also be instrumental in helping others around you see the value in our school. Our school depends on prayer. Without prayer we do not stand a chance. The more prayer, the better for our school and for each of us individually. So pray and pray each day for our school. Pray for a continued connection in our mission and to each other as we grow in faith together as a wonderful school community.

Saint Wenceslaus School Mission Statement

The St. Wenceslaus School community is dedicated to providing a nurturing environment so that each individual's potential can be realized. We are life-long learners called to make a difference in our changing world, as we are shaped by our Catholic faith and challenged to embrace the Gospel.

Calendar of upcoming activities

Tuesday, March 2 - **Preschool Registration**
5:30-7:00 PM

Wednesday, March 3 - School Penance Service -
grades 2-8.

Saturday, March 6 - Destination Imagination
Competition

Tuesday, Wednesday, March 9 and 10 - Science Fair

Tuesday, March 9 - CYC Camp Information

Friday, March 12 - No School/Teacher Workshop

Friday, March 12 - School Fish Fry

Monday, March 22 - School Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 24 - Home/School Meeting 6:30

Friday, March 26 - Stations of the Cross 1:30

Friday, March 26 - last day before Spring Break.

Tuesday, April 6 - Band to play at NCEA
convention

Wednesday, April 7 - Grades 7/8 to Washington DC.

Monday, April 12 - School Resumes

Saturday, April 17 - Live and Silent Auction- Starry
Night in Praha

Thursday, April 22 - Early Release Day 11:00

Wednesday May 12 - Spring Concert

Behind on your tuition payments?

Our school has to pay bills just like you do in your family. In order to do so we need you to stay current with your tuition. Many families are behind on tuition payments. This is worrisome for us and makes life at school difficult.

Please pay your tuition and other school bills. Your registration for next year cannot be finalized without your attention to this.

If you are behind on payments please call Kim to set up a plan or send a note to Kim with your intentions for payments to the school.

Buy SCRIP cards to earn a percent for school tuition. This pays off if you use the program regularly. Call the school office if you want to try this program or have forgotten how to order the cards.

Financial Aid Applications are now being accepted for fall 2010.

Go to **TADS.com** or **Tuitionaid.com** to apply. If you need a paper application, please get one from Sherry Hartman or Kim Doyle.

Application deadline is April 1. - after this date you may still receive some assistance but it may not be as much as you need as the main bulk of financial aid will be given out in spring.

Registration for Fall 2010 School Year **All registrations due on March 12.**

Fish Fry - Friday, March 12

Fish fry tickets went home last week. We will be asking each family to sell 10 tickets to this event for \$8.00 each. (\$10.00 at the door)



This is a small fundraiser for the school but it is a **Giant Community Builder**. Coming to the fish fry is fun because there are folks from all generations there, the food is great, and there is lots of conversation.

Spring Concert Date

Mark your calendars - This is a new date from the original school calendar. We will hold our spring **Band Concert and School Musical in the evening on Wednesday, May 12.**

Please let you coaches and sports programs know ahead of time that your child is busy this night with our concert.

A Starry Night in Praha

It is time to make your reservation for the school annual auction. This year we will experience a Starry Night in Praha (or "Prague" for those who do not know the Czech language).

We are looking for donations of items, services, use of your condo or other vacation spot. Planned group activities are fun. Please use your social contacts to help us find great prizes.

Plan on attending this year with family of friends. Help us promote this evening. It is a fun way to spend a night out.

Class Basket Items - Wanted!

Locks for Luke

When school nurse, Lisa, chose to give you a lift
And get her head shaved for your birthday gift,
A crazy and cute idea it seemed,
But what it turned into . . . who could have dreamed?
A birthday bash at St. Wenceslaus School,
Just the cake and ice cream would have been cool,
Mrs. Kaczor, as promised, had her head defuzzed,
Nearly 100 others also got buzzed!
Seven hair stylists, each had a chair,
While head after head after head became bare.
Sixty-plus school mates, mostly the males,
But seven young girls lost their pony tails,
MyKayla and Ellie and Min from Korea,
Your classmates, Aidan and Eva and Nia,
Your cousin, Megan, gave up her locks,
Each one still looks as cute as a fox.
Your male, third grade classmates dropped hair to the
floor,
Joseph and Nathan and Ben . . . there's still more,
Colton and Ryan and Trevor too,
And Evan and Simon all did that for you.
So did your brothers, Susung,* Drew and Kyle,
From New York, Uncle Jimmy made us all smile.
Your Dad and your cousins all came to bat,
Dan, Connor and Ryan, Nathan and Matt.
Even dads came forward, can you believe,
Two Mikes and Danny and Jason and Steve,
Pat and Eric lost hair . . . some more than others,
And brave Martha Briggs represented the mothers.
So many others had their heads shaved slick,
Connor and Adam and Michael and Nick,
Isaac, Andrew, Charlie and Josh,
Henry, another Michael, by gosh,
Brian, Peter, Aiden and John,
Cameron, Hunter, Frank and Don.

There was Charlie, Ian, Eddie and Jake,
Two more Andrews, for goodness sake,
Sam and Carter, Ben and Brent,
Travis and Nathan . . . their hair went,
Luke and Andy, another Ben,
Alex and Kyle . . . hair shaved thin.
Noah, Josh and Will and Jack
All waiting 'til their hair grows back,
Curtis, Michael, Colin, Brice,
Mr. Thietje! That was nice!
Sorry for a few we missed
That somehow didn't make the list.
Other things also happened that night,
Andy's 'HOPE' candles giving us light,
Sydney made necklaces . . . the Scrabble 'L'
Sold seventy-five; that was swell!
The Student Council had a jeans day,
For you, Luke, the kids were happy to pay,
Aidan, your classmate who challenged the girls,
And made big bucks for losing her curls.
Though this cancer bug seems very hateful,
It's helping us learn how to be grateful,
There've been offers for rides; meals are a treasure,
Gifts and money and prayers beyond measure,
We've been wrapped in the love of those who surround
us,
We best know God's love through the people around us.
Stay tough, dear Luke, for a little bit longer,
May this journey help you be wiser and stronger,
Indeed, you will have a story to hand on,
And that cancer bug will have no leg to stand on!
All our love,
Grandpa & Grandma 'S'

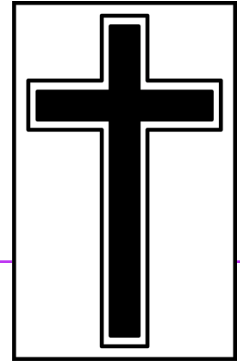
**Written by Ann Schoenbauer (Luke's
Grandmother)**

Copied from the CaringBridge Website

Lenten Activities

The focus of the third week of Lent is "**Empty Plate**". The empty plate is a symbol of fasting. We deny ourselves food in order to focus on the only food that can really satisfy us - Jesus, the Bread of Life.

Watch as our symbols of the weeks of Lent take shape in the atrium of the PAC. They are forming a large Cross of Christ.

**Living Stations**

All are welcome to join for the living stations. This will take place in the church on Sunday evening at 7:00. The stations will be put on by the Youth Alive Group from our parish. This is a good time for your family to spend a short time in lenten prayer.



SCRIP Orders will not be taken during the two week the school is closed this spring. The last day to order will be Thursday, March 18 to receive SCRIP the following week. Orders will then not resume until we get back from break on April 12.

CYC Camp - Catholic Youth Camp

On March 9th the director from the Catholic Youth Camp - the one summer camp for students sponsored by the Archdiocese - will come to speak to the students and hand out brochures. This is one opportunity that your children can have if you are interested. Many students have loved this experience over the years.

Consider Hosting a Korean Child next

fall. We need 8-10 host families for August in order for us to continue to have our Korean exchange.

Host families receive a stipend of \$3000 per year from the KoAm program to host and a tuition reduction of \$500. Although this is not nearly enough - having these Korean students in our school helps the entire school by adding extra revenue.

Your help is greatly appreciated. If you know a neighbor or friend who would like to be a host please pass this information on to them. Being a school parents is the beat but other people can also host the Korean kids.

Classroom Auction Baskets

time to help with the classroom baskets. these are the items we are looking for. Please send anything you collect to school. Cash donations are also welcome if you do not have time to shop.

P-Mrs. Chromy	Beanie Baby Bliss
P-Mrs. Chromy	Disney
K-Mrs. Stavos	Star Wars
K-Mrs. Wetschka	Frogs
3-Mrs. Malecha	Nerf
2-Mrs. Rosen	Hamster
3-Mrs. Harty	Scooby-Doo
1-Mrs. Jeffrey	Kids crafts
4-Mrs. Kreger	Lets Play..
4-Ms. McNamara	Life is good
5-Mrs. Busch	Cooking
5-Mrs. Zwirner	MN Sports Fan
6 Ms. Christy	Scrapbooking
6-Mrs. Smisek	Fireworks
7-Mr. Madison	Games (to do when bored)
8-Mr. Tschimperle	Movies
8-Mrs. O'Neill	Trojan

Congratulations to the following students: **Julia Bartusek, Katie McGannon, and A.J. Hunt.**

They will be part of a six state HONOR CHOIR in which **only 100 students** have been chosen. They will perform at Orchestra Hall on Saturday.

For sale in the office:

Red bandana "Locks for Luke" - \$5.00
 "L" necklaces - \$5.00 or more donation.
 all money to the Luke Schoenbauer Cancer Funds.