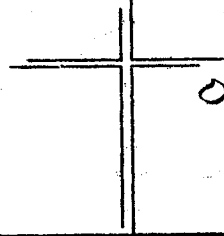


ST. GREGORY THE GREAT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Today St. Gregory's begins its celebration of Catholic Schools Week. This year's theme is "Faith in Every Student." We have planned a full schedule of events for this week, with an emphasis on gratitude toward those who help our school provide the academic excellence and spiritual values that make it special.

I know that the choice of Catholic education represents a significant sacrifice for a family. Thank you for making the sacrifice to send your children to a Catholic school. Thank you for your dedication to St. Gregory's.

I would like to invite you to take part in a town hall meeting this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. This will be an opportunity for all members of the parish to learn more about our school. I hope you can join us that evening.

Peter Wilson

JANUARY 31, 2005

Catholic Schools Week

Monday, January 31

“Faith in Every Student” in Our Community

Thank you to Mayor Georgine Welo, to the South Euclid Fire Department, to the South Euclid Police and to the South Euclid Lyndhurst Board of Education for their service to our community, Parish and School.

Tuesday, February 1

“Faith in Every Student” Through Our Parents

Pastry with Parents A-K

Wednesday, February 2

“Faith in Every Student” Through Our Students

Pastry with Parents L-Z

Thursday, February 3

“Faith in Every Student” Through Our Nation

Thank you to all who serve our country especially those who work for the freedom of religion, and the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Patriotic Prayer Service-Morning Broadcast

Student Dress Down Day

Catholic Family Feud

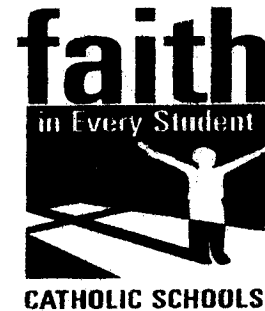
Town Hall Meeting 7:00 PM Church Hall

Friday, February 4

“Faith in Every Student” Through Our Teachers

Teachers/Staff Luncheon 11:30AM

Registration Day for new families 8:30-11:00 AM



Please join us for St. Gregory's Annual Catholic School's Week "Pastry with Parents"

The PTC will be hosting its annual "Pastry with Parents" during Catholic Schools Week; it will be held in the school cafeteria. Students are to bring parents or a special someone; grandparent, aunt, uncle, etc.

Time: 7:45-8:30 a.m.

Date: Tuesday, February 1 for last names A-K

Wednesday, February 2 for last names L-Z



SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

During these days attendance will be taken at 8:45 am for the students participating. Students not participating must be in class at the regular time.

Students must be accompanied by an adult to attend.

For more information call Mrs. Maria Clifford 216-691-8968

REGISTRATION BEGINS TODAY

Registration packets for the 2005-2006 school year will be given to the youngest and only child TODAY for K-8. Parents are asked to return the packet by *Friday, February 4th*. Registration fees are due by Tuesday, March 1, 2005.

Open registration for new students is Friday, February 4, 2005 for parents new to our school in the Early Childhood Center from 8:30 am-11:00 am.

"Change" Makes a Difference!

Student Council is sponsoring a relief collection for tsunami victims.

On Monday we will collect-pennies
Tuesday- nickels
Wednesday-dimes
Thursday-quarters
Friday-dollars



Please check the laundry, under the couch, in a parking lot for change that WILL make a difference.

ATTENTION ROOM PARENTS:

Friday, February 4th is the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. Please be in the classrooms by 11:15am. Plan to be with the class until 1:00pm

If you have any questions please call Maria Clifford (K-3rd grade) 692-8968 or Terry Mohorcic (4th-8th grade) 382-5721. Thank you!

The Candy Sale is Over !!!

Our Grand Prize Drawing will be Thursday, February 3rd on the morning announcements.

Thanks to all of our families who continue to do an outstanding job of fundraising for our school.

All proceeds from the candy sale will go towards the library.

Attention Early Childhood Parents

Date Changes

The required parent meeting for the *Early Prevention of School Failure* screening for incoming kindergarten students originally scheduled for March 10, 2005 has been rescheduled for **Thursday, April 28th**.

The *Early Prevention of School Failure* screening originally scheduled for April 4th and 5th has been changed to **May 9th and 10th**. Children in the Early Childhood programs **will not** have classes on **May 9th and 10th** but **WILL** resume their normal class times after the Easter Break. If you have any questions please call the school.

FOOD, FAMILY and FRIENDS!!!

The Double Dipping party at the Hometown favorite of Max and Erma's of Solon will be held on Thursday, February 24th.

Whether it's lunch, dinner or carryout, *Max and Erma's will honor your certificates through the school and give St. Gregory the Great 20% of your food bill back to our school!* What a generous fundraiser! Please do not miss this opportunity. Buy your certificates by February 13 to take advantage of the Double Dip!

Flyers will be available to be presented at the restaurant from Jennifer Ewing to receive the 20% for the school. Any questions call 382-6227.



Save the date for the St. Gregory the Great Skating Party sponsored by the PTC!

Sunday, February 6, 2005, 5:00 -6:30 p.m. at the Cleveland Heights Recreational Center.

Please return forms to the school office. Extra forms are available in the main office or contact Sandy Bauman 216-381-3221 if you have any questions.

A special St. Gregory Jaguar "Roar" for the following boys!

Congratulations to St. Greg's Cub Scout Pack 462 for their donation to UNICEF to aid the Tsunami victims. The boys collected \$828.28 during a recent afternoon at Beachwood Mall.

First Graders: Colin Kruchan, Jack Rochester

Second Graders: Aaron Davis, Corey Perron, Connor Schumacher

Third Graders: Mitch Clifford, Jacob Kowalczyk, Jonathan Loya, Nicholas Marsic, Christopher Martin, and Matthew Szwejkowski

A special thank you to Mrs. Maria Clifford who organized the Cub Scouts efforts.

Box Top Winter Collection Ends This Week!

This is the last week to bring in your Box Top labels for the winter contest! The classroom with the most labels turned in by February 4th will be celebrating with a movie and popcorn. What a great way to earn money for the school and earn a special movie break to beat the winter blues. Remember to collect from family, neighbor and friends.

Certificate Program News...The Certificate Program continues to be a vital tool in reducing your child's tuition. During the period of January 2004-January 2005, nearly \$500, 000 in certificates were purchased through our program resulting in nearly \$20,000 towards tuition reduction for those families who participated in the program. Wow!

Families have one full year (May1, 200X-April, 200X) to earn monies towards their child's tuition. What may appear to be a small weekly gain can certainly add up over the course of one year. For example, if a family buys groceries (\$200.00 at Giant Eagle) and gas (\$50.00 at Speedway) each week, which are items every household needs, their savings would be \$7.50/week or \$30.00/month or \$360.00/year!!! Add restaurant and/or movie certificates which yield higher percentages and your savings will increase even more. These are things you do anyway!!!

Finally, those families who participate in the Certificate Program may also become eligible to receive additional monies through our Scholarship Fund! We ask you to please read through our listings each week (forms are available online and at the rectory, credit union, and school office) and share them with your family, friends, and co-workers to help yourself keep Catholic education affordable for your family.