Weekly Newsletter

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For the Week of February 27, 2017

Thought for the week: "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

~ Dr. Seuss

This Week in Review:

- It was a short, busy week, with the teachers and students taking advantage of the unexpectedly warm and beautiful weather. Mr. Norrid's music students took time outside to play their recorders and appreciate the sounds of nature. Mrs. Robinson's 2nd and 3rd graders enjoyed the sunshine and open space to use language arts and math center materials and practice multiplication skills. And Ms. Wallace's 7th graders took a mindfulness walk in their religion class to emphasize the creation stories and the Catholic Social Teaching principle of Care for Creation—if we appreciate nature, we will care for it.
- Mrs. Ousley and Mrs. Parola attended a very informative STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art Mathematics) session last Wednesday as they participate in the archdiocesan STEM Collaborative Group. Mrs. Ousley presented a slideshow of the 8th grade roller coaster projects, eliciting many commendations about the students' work and the cross-curricular components of the project. During that session, they also learned many cool ideas about project-based learning, collaboration, and rethinking the use of our own facility space.
- Mrs. Kline, Mrs. Whyte, Mrs. Hendrick, and Mrs. Willenbrink attended a training on the Brigance Assessment. This session added to their knowledge base to assess and provide information on the developmental skills of our preschoolers and prospective kindergarten students.
- Our 2nd Grade First Communicants and their parents participated in a workshop on the meaning and symbols of
 First Eucharist Thursday evening with Mrs Robinson and Mrs. Barry. Students signed the enrollment book, read
 scripture and completed an activity, and made "stained glass" pictures, candles, and placemats in their
 preparation for this important sacrament.
- Our 4-7th graders enjoyed rousing games of Knock-Out Basketball on Friday. House members competed against each other to determine two winners from each House who then competed against each other in a finals round:
 Alexander W., Anthony M., Dia C., Matthew B., Cedric S., Cole J., Noah L., Ryan M., Abby R., and Patrick L. represented the houses. Congrats to Grand Champ Anthony M.!
- Congratulations to the following Rafflemania winners: Artie Paris, Marilyn Meredith, Mike Quinn, Josh Wettig,
 Cheryl Hoerter, Nannette Mershon, Roger Metry, Lois Woock, Cheryl Elliot, and Rich Hillerich.
- S.T.A.R. STUDENTS: We are proud of all our S.T.A.R. ticket students! The following students were weekly winners: Makenzie E., Legacy S., Caiden S., Michael M., Lilly J., Lilly P., Jaela C., Andrew R., Miranda S.

The Week Ahead: Read Across America/Dr. Seuss Celebration Week!
Monday, 2/27 1 FISH 2 FISH RED FISH BLUE FISH (Wear a BLUE or RED SHIRT)

SAC Meeting, 6:30

Tuesday, 2/28 I CAN READ WITH MY EYES SHUT (Wear a SHIRT WITH AN APPROPRIATE MESSAGE w/uniform bottoms)

- No School Mass
- Yearbook Club, 3:15-4:15
- Daisy Scouts, 5:30-6:30

Wednesday, 3/1 Ash Wednesday

- Mass and Ashes Distribution, 8:30
- Book Bee, 3:15-4:15



- Marketing Committee, 7:30 am
- 8th Grade to Dare to Care and Lunch, 8:30-1:00
- STEM Makers Club, 3:00-4:00
- Grades 5-8 Science Fair, 6:00

Friday, 3/3 COZY UP TO A GOOD BOOK (Wear PJ's or comfy clothes and bring a favorite book!)

Terra Nova Kick-off









Did you know??... Educating the whole child involves teaching social skills and building relationships with others. Our counselor Ms. Moore leads "Girl Talk" for grades 2 and 4 and "Reach for the Stars" for grades 7/8. She and Ms. Emily Johnson from Sacred Heart Academy have developed a collaborative program where girls from SHA interact with the younger girls to bridge the transitions between primary, intermediate, middle school, and high school grades. Our girls see and interact with healthy role models while developing problem-solving skills that build strong relationships.

SUPPORTING LIFELONG SCHOLARS

- The new Catholic Identity Defining Characteristics and Program Effectiveness surveys are open Monday, February 27--Friday, March 10th. Click on the link http://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/14747/p2900. We are striving for 100% participation by our school families. Thank you in advance for completing these surveys!
- Join us and other St. Leonard families for a special St. Leonard Fund Day at BoomBozz Craft Pizza and Taphouse
 in St. Matthews on Tuesday, February 28th. Download and bring the flyer attached to the newsletter email, and
 15% of your dinner proceeds will be donated to the school! See you there!
- Lent begins on Wednesday, and with that so do our Lenten Fish Fry Fridays! Each week families from two classes are responsible for assisting in set up, serving, clearing tables, and clean up:
 - March 3 8th grade and 1st grade
 - March 10 7th grade and 2nd grade
 - O March 17 6th grade and 3rd grade
 - March 24 5th grade and 4th grade
 - March 31 K and preK

Sign in at the concession stand on your work week for your child to receive a spirit wear pass.

- Cakes and desserts are also needed for the Fish Fry Cake Booth. Please bake or donate a baked good--cakes, cookies, cupcakes, brownies and all things sweet are welcomed. If you are too busy to bake a goodie, we will purchase a bakery cake for you. Simply send a donation of \$8.00 to the parish or school office, and we will take care of it. Thanks for your help in supporting our Athletic programs!
- All school families and parishioners are invited to attend the **Grades 5-8 Science Fair this Thursday, March 2**nd **at 6:00 pm in the cafeteria.** Come check out the students' cool research-based projects!
- Terra Nova testing will be held the weeks of March 6-17 for Grades 3, 5, and 7. Please ensure that children have a good breakfast, plenty of sleep through the week, a snack for testing breaks, and are reminded to give their best effort. Please do not schedule appointments for your child during the school day during this time. Thanks!
- The deadline to apply for financial aid is fast approaching!!! Application for Tuition Assistance for K-8th Grade is online at https://online.factsmgt.com/aid. Applications must be submitted online completely by MARCH 15th. The 2016 Tax return must be uploaded and included for documentation. The Jochum Scholarship has an additional paper application which can be downloaded here, completed and returned to the school or parish office by March 15th. Call the school/parish offices with questions.

SAFETY PATROL DUTIES

Week of February 27th

Carpool Assist:

Caroline N.

Emma Lei S.

Flag and Cones

Cole J.

Luke P.

PM

Flag and Cones:

Celecia S.

Zachary S.

February/ March Calendar of Events Feb 27 SAC Meeting Feb 28 NO School Mass

Mar 1 Ash Wednesday, 8:30 am School Mass

Mar 2 8th Grade to Dare to Care

Mar 2 Science Fair

Mar 3 Pajama Day!

Mar 6-17 Terra Nova Testing, Grades 3,5,7

Mar 7 NO School Mass

Mar 10 LCM Mobile Museum, Grades PreK-5th

Mar 14 CEF Salute Dinner

Mar 16 4th Grade to Mt. Holly

Mar 16 1:00 Dismissal

Mar 21 Conservation Education Officer, 4-6 Grade science

Mar 29 Grades 1-2 to Oxmoor Farm; Gr. 3 to James & Giant Peach

Mar 30 8th Grade to Dare to Care

Mar 31 Noon Dismissal

Apr 1-9 Spring Break

St. Leonard Catholic School, in partnership with families, educates children in a challenging, dynamic, and Christ-centered environment through personal, intentional, and innovative instruction.