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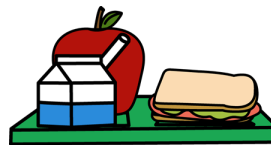
Dear Parents,

This is National Vocation Awareness Week. A vocation is a calling. It is an invitation from God. Each one of us is called to love and serve God, and His Church. **On Wednesday, November 9th, there will be a Holy Hour for Vocations at the Paulding church from 7-8 PM.** I strongly encourage you to take your child to this amazing opportunity to pray before the Lord!

The apple pie work is already underway! Thank you to all who signed up to work. We will most definitely sell over 1,000 pies this year, and we will most definitely depend on all of our volunteers to make all of those pies. Thank you to all who have signed up to help make this go so smoothly. I need to give an extra thank you to **Patty Lee** and **Kimra Williamson**. These two ladies have done a ton of work to make this a reality. Thank you both so very very much! **Don't forget that the pies must be picked up at the Payne Hall on Saturday, November 12th, from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Veterans Day Mass will be this Friday, November 11th, at 11:00 in the Payne Church. After Mass, veteran guests are invited to the hall for a short program followed by lunch. We are glad to honor all of our heroes who have done so much to protect us. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have made the lunch possible, and thank you to our teachers for working with the students on their program preparation.

Mr. Linder
Principal



If you are planning on attending our school book fair guest lunch on Wednesday, November 16th, please fill out the form that went home in a Monday email. There is another form in this Wednesday's newsletter, and attached to this week's newsletter email. **We need to have these forms back to school by Friday, November 11th,** so we can give a count to Payne cafeteria. The lunch menu for that day is mini corn dogs, french fries, baked beans, and fruit. Hope to see you there!



We no longer have the use of the Scholastic cash register. The company restructured the book fair over the summer, and our school didn't generate enough money to qualify to use it. We can still accept credit card orders, but they will be done over a secure online portal through the computer. **If at all possible, cash and checks would be a preferred payment method.** Sorry for this inconvenience. Let us know if you have any questions.



I'm looking for 5-6 people to help out the day of the book fair guest lunch. We want to add additional checkout lines to speed things up. Volunteers would be running credit card orders through an online internet portal, and others would be using adding machines. Email Mr. Linder if you can help. Thanks!

Classroom Curriculum News

Mrs. Lopshire - Preschool:

The Preschool is jumping right into the Thanksgiving Season. Using our tearing, gluing, recognizing colors and listening skills we made pictures of candy corn. Keeping with that theme we used real candy corn to count, sequence and pick out different colors of turkeys on bingo sheets. Oh what fun, we're learning and it's so yummy too!!

Miss Kaufman - Kindergarten:

This week in Phonics kindergarten learned about a concept referred to as twin consonants. Students realized if they read a word that has two of the same consonant letters beside each other, such as "hill," they do not need to sound out both of the letter l's in that word. Maxton pointed out that if you sound out both the twin consonant sounds, then word you are trying to read sounds kind of funny. Students were able to practice reading other words that include twin consonants such as "inn" and "ill," but a couple students even realized that they have twin consonants within their own name!



Miss Kuhlman - 1 & 2:

The first and second graders must successfully take 5 AR quizzes within a month's time to earn a coupon to receive a personal size pizza from Pizza Hut. Most of

the children passed many more quizzes than five. Arianna Viola, second grade, passed 37 quizzes for October and Brisa Chavez passed 42 quizzes for October.



Mrs. Gideon - 3 & 4:

The SMART boards have done a lot to keep the students interested and engaged in learning new concepts. Here Konnor Wannemacher prepares to choose which ending he needs to make the noun plural on a game Mrs. Gideon made for the SMART board. The children played it several times and wanted to play it even more!



5th & 6th Grade:

The students have been studying America's founding documents and world systems of government. Students have been studying the main ideas behind the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, how the electoral process works, and the different types of governments in the world.

This past week, the class held a mock election to elect two class representatives. In this photo, Maggie Cox makes her case to the class why she would be a good choice for representative.

Mrs. Gerardot - 2, 4, & 6 Reading:

Last week in 2nd grade, we started talking about what things would make a good president. I read the story "*My Teacher for President*." Then the kids came up with things about one of their teachers that they have now or had that would make him or her a good president. It was fun seeing the kids really get into this, and you may view their work in the hallway during parent teacher conferences.



Keep collecting your aluminum cans! Remember that all the proceeds from cans collected during the month of November will go towards the cost of new girls basketball uniforms. Cans can be placed in a garbage bag and dropped off to school, or Michele Daeger's house. Please contact the school or Michele (419-203-4334) for more information.



I want to thank Lyn Collis, who has graciously volunteered to head up the basketball concession stand during the boys' games. Parents will be needed to sign up to work home games. We are still

looking for someone to volunteer to run the girls' basketball concession stand. Contact Mr. Linder if you are interested.



The Christmas for Kids donation barrel will be in the hallway of the school beginning on Monday, November 14th, and ending on Thursday, November 17th. All donations of new toys, non-perishable food items, and monetary donations will benefit kids in Paulding County.



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 16th, from

3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Conferences are also offered on Thursday, November 17th, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The book fair will be open during these hours too, if you would like to purchase things then.



Looking ahead -

students will be visiting area nursing homes on December 15th, to do Christmas Caroling.

We are looking for volunteers to drive for this day. We would leave the school at 1:00 pm and get back in time for students to ride the buses home. If you are willing to drive, please make sure you have completed all the necessary Virtus requirements.



Edgerton Wesleyan church is putting together food baskets for their "Big Give" where they give food baskets to families in need. If you would like to help, they are accepting canned fruit to place in the baskets. Items should be brought to school by December 10th.

Upcoming Dates:

- Nov 9 Holy Hour for Vocations @
Paulding church 7-8 PM
- Fri 11/11 Veteran's Day Mass @
11:00 directly followed by a
short program and lunch for
veterans and students
- Sat 11/12 Apple Pie assembly day
and pickup
- Nov 15-18 Fall Scholastic Book Fair
- Wed 11/16 Book Fair Guest Lunch
- Nov 16-17 Parent Teacher Conferences
- Thu 11/17 - Christmas for Kids 7-9 am
at school
- Mass @ 9:15
- Father teaching classes
- Thanksgiving meal for
students
- Fri 11/18 2-hr Delay - Teacher In-
Service
- Nov 23-25 No School - Thanksgiving
Break
- Wed 11/30 Midterm reports go home



Prayer for Vocations

Loving God, during this Year of Mercy
You call us through our baptism in the Spirit
to continue the mission of your beloved Son, Jesus.

Open us to listen attentively for your invitation.
Empower us to respond to your call.

Inspire women and men
to follow the path of service.
Together may we build up the Church to be a
vibrant sign of your presence in our world.

We offer this prayer
in the name of your Son, Jesus,
through the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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