

THANK YOU TEACHERS!



This week is Teacher Appreciation Week and we are very thankful for Mrs. Lopshire, Miss Kaufman, Miss Schuster, Mrs. Gideon, Mr. Grant, and Mrs. Gerardot. May God bless them as they continue to be examples of Faith for our students, and aid our parents in the formation of their children.

CONGRATULATIONS FIRST COMMUNICANTS!



We want to pray for our First Communicants as they make final preparations to receive their First Holy Communion this weekend. They are (from top left to bottom right): Evan Benschneider, Lucy Conley, Elizabeth Graham, AJ Mead, Isabelle O'Shaughnessey, Brody Rosswurm, Eli Treece, and Arianna Viola. God bless you on this important day!

- Yearbook order forms are due by this **Friday, May 5th.**
- **Please look in the Wednesday Envelope for the list of Catholic School's Week activities for next week, May 8th - 12th.**
- The First Communion retreat will take place on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 9am – 12pm in the Educational Center in Paulding.
- All **library books** are due back by **Wednesday, May 10th.** Any books that are not returned, will need to be replaced. So if your child/children has lost a book, you will receive a bill for the replacement fee.
- If your child sold any plant vouchers for the Greenhouse Effect in our spring flower fundraiser, the vouchers are enclosed in today's mailing. The actual flowers that your child/children sold will be arriving **Wednesday, May 10th** and will be ready for pick up at the end of the school day.
- **There are still MANY tuition contracts that need to be returned** - Please complete the enclosed/attached tuition contracts (if you haven't already). These should be signed and returned to the office as soon as possible.
- with upcoming field trips for our younger students, please read over the attached Child Passenger Law concerning the use of a booster seat. If they are under 8 years old, they will need to bring a booster seat to school for their field trip. This law mainly affects preschool, kindergarten, and first grade.

Upcoming Dates:

Thur 5/4	5th and 6th grade field trip
Fri 5/5	- Mass @ 9:15 - Food Pantry - 3rd and 4th grade field trip
Sat 5/6	<u>1st Communion weekend</u>
May 8-12	Catholic Schools Week
Tues 5/9	Staff meeting after school
Fri 5/12	- Mass @ 9:15 - 6th grade goes to Wayne Trace Jr./Sr. High School for orientation today
Sat 5/13	School Tin Caps game @ 7:05 pm at Parkview Field
Tues 5/16	- Last day of preschool - Preschool & Kindergarten Field Trip
Thur 5/18	1st and 2nd grade field trip
Fri 5/19	- Kindergarten Mass at 9:15 - cookout
Sat 5/20	6th grade graduation Mass @ 4:00 Payne church
Mon 5/22	Field Day in Ft. Wayne/picnic in park
Wed 5/24	Final Wednesday Envelope
Thur 5/25	- Awards Ceremony @ 12:30 in gym - Last Day of Classes - 1 hour early dismissal

Mrs. Lopshire - Preschool

The pre-school had a very busy week practicing and putting the final touches on our performance for the Spring program. We hope everyone enjoyed it, and thank you Mr. Linder and teachers for including us. Along with our everyday activities, the students are learning more letters and their sounds and working with numbers. They also learned how to fold tissue paper that became a beautiful flower (top picture). On Tuesday, the class participated in a whole school fire drill. It's always a big deal for the pre-school when they can interact with the big kids!

Miss Kaufman - Kindergarten

This past week in Kindergarten students began to learn about the sneaky e in phonics class. We began with words such as "cape" "take" and "late." Students learned that every time there was a word that had "a-e" the sneaky "e" at the end would make the letter "a" the long sound. Students realized that when there is a sneaky e in a word you will not sound the "e" out. The kindergartners have caught on really quick and are beginning to read other sneaky e words that use other vowel sounds!! Fantastic job super readers!!

Miss Shuster - Grades 1 & 2

Last week and this week, Grade 1 continued to celebrate the Season of Easter by making Resurrection Eggs during religion class. Each plastic egg contains a different object to remind us of the story of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. For example, the first egg holds a cracker in remembrance of the bread at the Last Supper on Holy Thursday that became the great gift of Christ's Body and Blood in the Eucharist. The last egg is kept intentionally empty - can you guess why? Ask one of the first-graders to tell you! (top picture)

Mrs. Gideon - Grades 3 & 4

Grades 3 & 4 worked hard last week preparing for the Spring skit. Here Griffin Williamson and Tyler Head practice their lines. (top picture)

Mr. Grant - Grades 5 & 6

In reading, the fifth graders have been learning about cause and effect in literature. They have been examining cause and effect in two different stories. They read a story and Lewis and Clark and their exploration of the Louisiana Purchase. They also worked in small groups reading about the Gold Rush out west and the causes that led to population growth of different western states. Students have also been learning about comparative adjectives and prefixes and suffixes in language arts.

Mrs. Gerardot - 2, 4, & 6 Reading

During Second Grade reading the students have started writing a book. They are working in groups of 3 to do this. It is a very exciting time watching and listening to them use their imaginations to write this book. We started by writing a rough draft and then they transfer over to a different type of paper to rewrite it and draw pictures for the story. Once every group is done, they will read it to the first graders. (bottom picture)

