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The Pacelli Post

Cardinal Pacelli School
Educating the Heart and Mind

Principal's Note

Pinocchio is Coming!

Our school play, presented by our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students, will take place April 8 and 9. Tryouts for the production will be February 10 right after school. Karie Gibson will be the director. She has a degree in Theater Arts and was the Artist in Residence at Cardinal Pacelli with the Mad Cap Puppets group. We look forward to an exciting and entertaining performance.



Financial Aid Applications for the 2011-2012 School Year

Any family requesting financial aid must fill out [this application](#) by the March 1st deadline in order to be considered for the 2011-2012 school year. Aid is provided through Private School Aid Service (PSAS).

Out of Uniform Day on Monday, February 14

In celebration of Valentine's Day, students may come to school in red and white with jeans or khakis.

Excessive Tardies

We continue to have an excessive number of tardies each morning. This affects our teachers' morning duties and is disruptive to the daily schedule. The school day officially begins at 7:50 am. At this time all students should be in the gym, not being dropped off or walking. Allowances are made for traffic back-ups and inclement weather; however, it is essential that students arrive on time. Students may arrive as early as 7:30 am.

Update from the Nurse

Stomach flu? Cough? Strep throat? We are seeing kids with all of these and more, such as headaches and fevers. Although our absentee rate has been 10%, which is very good for this time of year, it is definitely cold and flu season. Our younger students seem to be hit hard by the strep germ, but otherwise, the general illnesses are shared by all.

- Wash hands
- Cover coughs
- Eat plenty of colorful fruits & veggies
- Keep well-hydrated
- Get enough rest

Please observe the 24 Hour Rule: Students should not return to school after illness until 24 hours after:

- the last episode of vomiting or diarrhea
- fever stays under 100 degrees
- antibiotic taken for contagious illness

Important Dates

Wednesday, February 9 - PTO Board Meeting, 7 pm
Thursday, February 10 - SVDP, 7 pm, Worship Commission, 7 pm
Friday, February 11 - Father Daughter Dance, 7 pm
Monday, February 14 - Valentine's Day, Spiritwear Sale, 6-7 pm, CCD 7 pm
Tuesday, February 15 - RCIA, 7:30 pm
Thursday, February 17 - Cyberbullying Presentation for Parents, 7 pm, Cafeteria

Useful Links

[Cardinal Pacelli Website](#)
[Christ the King Website](#)
[PTO Website](#)
[Athletics Website](#)
[Junefest Website](#)
[February Lunch Menu](#)

Spotlight

- open sores or draining eyes have stopped

For information about how strep can be a fooler, click [here](#).
Good Luck, Mrs. Jung

Beginning Band Performance

The Cardinal Pacelli Beginning Band will give a brief performance during their regularly scheduled meeting time on Friday, February 11. Students should arrive at the standard meeting time of 7:15 a.m., and the performance will begin at 7:30. This is an informal concert and is intended to give the students a chance to showcase what they have learned so far. Refreshments will be served after the performance. All are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact Michael Winland at mwinland@gmail.com

Yearbook Wants Your Photos

Yearbook staff is in dire need of pictures from events around the school. We need class parties, sports events, mother/son, random candid, etc. Please send all pictures either on a disk or emailed to Mrs. Kirk at kirk_m@cardinalpacelli.org. Thank you!

Junior High Outreach

Our Jr. High Outreach Program hosted personnel from the Pregnancy Center East. They are here this week and will conduct an interactive program for grades 7 and 8. We have had this program at Cardinal Pacelli for a number of years and find it a valuable experience for our students.

Cyberbullying Presentation for Parents

On Thursday, February 17, parents of students in grades 5-8 are invited to a Cyberbullying Presentation at 7 pm in the school cafeteria. This presentation is the follow-up to the presentation students attended last fall in which a Hamilton County Prosecutor described her experiences prosecuting juveniles who have used social media to bully. If your child uses a cell phone or has access to the Internet, then this is one presentation you will not want to miss.

Process for Appointing a New Pastor

Now that plans are underway to celebrate Father Obermeyer's Golden Jubilee, many parishioners have questions about who will fill his position once he has retired in May. Father Leonard Wenke, Director of Priest Personnel for the Archdiocese, met with Parish Council, staff, and other parish leaders on January 24 to outline the process for appointing a new pastor. [Read more...](#)

"The House That Father O Built"



Last weekend was the special collection for Father Obermeyer's Habitat for Humanity House. Christ the King is teaming up with HFH to build a house in honor of Father's Golden Jubilee and retirement. It's not too late to donate. Checks can be made out to Christ the King, with Habitat for Humanity noted in the memo line. For more information [click here](#).

Students raised \$1,323.50 for the Catholic Inner-City Schools Fund during Catholic Schools Week. Wednesday was Red, White, and Blue Day in honor of American troops.



Submitting Info

To have items included in the newsletter submit news to gruber_c@cardinalpacelli.org by noon on Tuesday. Items may be edited for space.

PTO News

PTO Website's New Look

Along with the brand new look for our newsletter, our PTO website has had a makeover. We hope you will find it easier to obtain all PTO information. Also, you can now get all PTO information with a click of the button on the homepage of our [School website](#). See our PTO button on the header at the top of the home page.

Market Day Orders Due This Friday, February 11

Don't forget to place your Market Day orders by submitting your form in this week's White Envelope. You may also place orders online by midnight Monday, February 14 by clicking [Market Day](#). This month purchase cookie dough and Cardinal Pacelli receives higher profits. The more boxes purchased, the more we earn! Every purchase helps. Up to 99 boxes sold earns 15% profit, 100 + boxes sold earn 30% profit, and 500+ boxes sold earn 45% profit. You can choose from the yummy Lemon Cooler, Double Chocolate Chunk, Snickerdoodle and more!

Catholic Schools Week

A big "Thanks" to Stephanie Mitchell for coordinating our awesome Catholic Schools week. We thank the following people for their help this week: Carla Caruso, Tricia Schario, Wendy Yip, Carol Rizzo, Karen Bramble and The Hines Family. A special thanks to Mike Misleh and Donny Gabbard for serving our yummy Skyline lunch. Thanks to Toni Rogers for the darling Catholic Schools Week programs. Thanks to Kim Hardewig for coordinating all our Teacher Appreciation events! Thanks to Julie O'Toole and all of our parent volunteers who helped in the classroom, playground and cafeteria on Teacher Appreciation Day. Finally, thanks to Charmaine Gruber and the Catholic Schools Week Teacher committee. Our students had so much fun celebrating our faith and our wonderful school!

Junefest T-Shirt Design Contest Winners

Congratulations to the winners!

T-Shirt Front: Jack & Sam Beckett (3rd & 5th grade)
T-Shirt Back: Natalie Perme (6th grade - CCD)

Natalie and the Beckett brothers will each receive 100 Junefest tickets. And, a big thank you to everyone who took the time to send in such creative designs!



Support the PTO Spring Garden Sale

The Spring Garden Sale is underway! An order form and some plant photos are available on the PTO website by clicking [GARDEN SALE FORM](#). You can choose from a large variety of annuals, perennials, hanging baskets and more. Mulch is available to order, as are Benken's gift cards. You'll love the great convenience and excellent product quality, and Pacelli benefits from all the proceeds. For more information contact Garden Sale co-chairs, Beth Beirne at bbeirne@one.net (871-5419) or El McKenzie at elandmark@fuse.net (321-0155). Thank you for your support!

Jr. High Valentine's Day Dance

Thanks to Stephanie Mitchell and the Jr. High Valentine Dance Committee for planning a wonderful event for all our junior high students.

Christ the King Cubs Soccer

Time to sign up your little ones for Spring Soccer. All children born before 9-30-07 are welcome to join our fun instructional Cubs Soccer team. The season runs April 4-May 16 and all forms and payments are due by March 4. For more information or to sign up click [Cubs Soccer](#).

Spiritwear Sale, Monday, February 14

Don't forget to pick up all your Spiritwear for that special Valentine on Monday, February 14 from 6-7 pm.

Father/Daughter Dance in New York

She's the Apple of his eye, so it's fitting that dads and daughters are heading to the Big Apple this Friday, February 11! Central Park, China Town, Broadway! All Dads and daughters are invited to see how our gym is transformed into the Big Apple for the Father/Daughter Dance, Friday, February 11th. The dance begins at 7:00 pm. So girls, grab your "Sugar Daddies and head over to Dylan's Candy Bar for some treats and dance the night away in Times Square! Tickets are \$20 per family. To sign up, click [Father/Daughter Dance](#) and send in your payment with checks payable to CPS PTO. We are also in need of cookies and candy for this event. Please send candy in with students or drop it off at the school office. If you are able to contribute or are available to volunteer please email Amy Miller at amyandrob@cinci.rr.com



Selective Electives Afterschool Acting Continues

Afterschool Acting Inc. and professional, award winning acting teacher Michael Bath are offering a class for all interested students, grades 1 through 8. Michael was seen last year in *Sleeping Beauty*, *Asher Lev* and *Becky's New Car* at the Ensemble Theater, and won a CEA award for his performance in *Angels In America* at The Know Theater. Learn basic acting techniques: improvisation, comedy, video acting styles, voice and diction, and end the school year putting on a play! To register your child click [Afterschool Acting](#). Please send payment via the white envelope. For more information on both Selective Electives contact Heather Langer at langer@fuse.net

Pacelli Players Drama Club Resumes - New Members Welcome

Grades 6-8 will continue to meet 2:45-3:15 pm on Wednesdays; Grades 3-5 will now meet on Fridays beginning Friday, January 28 from 2:45-3:45 pm. All students who would like to join may do so by filling out the form on the PTO website marked [Pacelli Players](#). Please make checks payable to CPS PTO-Pacelli Players and return your payment in the White Envelope. If you already filled out the release form in the previous session then send in only your payment.

You're Invited to the Junefest Cocktail Gala

This year's Junefest kickoff is a Mardi Gras themed cocktail gala at the Queen City Club. Mark your calendar for March 5. You'll enjoy live music, New Orleans cuisine, and a great night out with friends. For [more information](#), or to view your invitation click [here](#).



Box Tops

Before you know it, it will be spring. *Our next all school Box Tops collection contest will be in March.* It's not too early to start collecting. Several of the classrooms still have the Box Tops collection containers from the contest in October, so feel free to send them in as you collect them.

Kings Cash Raffle

Purchase your chance to win \$100-\$1,000 60 times over the next year! Kings Cash 60-chance Raffle Tickets are \$25 each, or 5 for \$100.

- 52 Drawings for \$100 will be held every Sunday from March 6, 2011 to March 4, 2012.
- 7 Bonus drawings of \$500 each will be held each day of Junefest, June 3,4 and 5, as well as on Easter, the first day of school, the Feast of Our Lord Christ the King, and Christmas.
- A \$1000 winner will be drawn at the Spring Gala on March 5th.

Almost \$10,000 in cash payouts in total!!

Purchase your tickets now by either visiting www.junefest2011.org OR by completing the [order form](#) and returning it in the white envelope. Net proceeds benefit Our Lord Christ the King Church and Cardinal Pacelli School.

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