

September 21, 2011



The Pacelli Post

Cardinal Pacelli School
Educating the Heart and Mind

Principal's Note



Bullying Presentations

Jim Bisenius will be here this Thursday to do 3 assemblies on the subject of Bully-Proofing Youth. He will speak to grades 6-8 for 90 minutes, grades 3-5 for 75 minutes, and grades 1-2 for 60 minutes.

Jim's program is a unique and innovative approach that teaches kids exactly what to do when someone picks on them.

Iowa Tests in October

The Iowa Tests will be administered to students in grades 2,3,4,5,6, and 8 during the month of October. Please read this [letter](#) from Mrs. Roy so you know what to expect and how to prepare your child for the tests.

Magazine Sale

Thanks for a great magazine drive. EVERY class met their goal! Gross sales exceeded \$60,000 and put us at 120% of goal! **Special thanks to Cheri Fitch and Robin Keyser for being our chairs this year.** We couldn't have done this without all their hard work! Students will have a special pizza lunch on September 29 for reaching our school goal.

Schoolhouse Fare

Parents - please remember to check your SchoolFare lunch order to make sure your children have ordered for that day. Some students are assuming they have lunch that day and an order has not been placed.

Vision for Catholic Schools



For the past several months, an effort has been underway to establish a common vision for the future of Catholic school education in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. During the 2010-2011 school year, large amounts of data were collected on the current state of our Catholic schools.

This data has been compiled in an initial **Assessment Report** that will be released to the public in early October.

All are invited to attend a presentation in October regarding the vision. At each presentation, Dr. Jim Rigg, Superintendent of Catholic schools, will provide a summary of the key data regarding Catholic identity, academic excellence, demographics, finances, and other areas. The presentations will take place on the following dates. All are welcome to attend. Please click [here](#) for more information.

- October 4: Chaminade-Julienne High School 6:00-7:30 pm
- October 6: Roger Bacon High School 6:00-7:30 pm
- October 11: Lehman High School 6:00-7:30 pm

Important Dates

Thursday, September 22
SVDP, 7 pm

Saturday, September 24
Junefest 4th Grade Cocktails

**Saturday, September 24/Sunday
September 25**

Mercy Franciscan Grocery & Personal Care Items Drive at weekend Masses (No clothing, please)

Monday, September 26
Drop Inn Center Dinner, 5 pm

Tuesday, September 27
Parish Council, 7 pm

Useful Links

[Cardinal Pacelli Website](#)
[Christ the King Website](#)
[PTO Website](#)
[Athletics Website](#)
[Schoolhouse Fare](#)

Spotlight

Springer Parent Seminar



Last Thursday Dr. Mary Ann

Magazine Sale - PTO Thanks Cheri and Robin for a Terrific Job!



Wow! We asked and you did it - **THANK YOU!!!**

EVERY class met their goal! Sales exceeded \$60,000 and put us at 120% of goal! This is **OUTSTANDING!** Everyone is rewarded with a pig for the Pig Race and will enjoy pizza on Thursday, September 29. 89% of students sold magazines and 48% of students exceeded their goal selling 8 or more magazine! Kudos to them! (See list [here](#))

Congratulations to the students who sold **25 or more** magazines and will be enjoying lunch at Zips Cafe! Ryan V., Maureen G., Kate S., Abigail P., Jack S., Allie G., and Sara B., and Hallie A.

Thank you to all of our volunteers who spent countless hours counting the orders, completing prize sheets and filling orders at the Pacelli Prize Store! We could not do it without you! *Diane Altmix, Sue Boehm, Erin Casey, Melissa Cianciolo, Michele Daniher, Laura Fredrick, Lisa Habegger, Lynda Hannan, Teri Haught, Christy Johnson, Kimberly Kohus, Barb Lamping, Pam Lovdal, Melissa Luca, Amy Mueller, Gabriela Schrenk.*

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

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Rosters

A big thanks to *Diane Altmix, Tracy Anderson, Beth Beirne, Cheri Bulla, Missy Byrne, Michele Deremo, Nicole Fredrick, Betsy Santen, & Suzanne Watts* for their assistance with drafting, editing and proofing the Roster. Please notify us of any errors in the Roster by emailing mdaniher@yahoo.com. Extra Rosters are \$5 each. Last chance to order, [EXTRA ROSTERS](#) and enclose a check payable to CPS PTO with Rosters in the memo line.

Incentives to Use Kroger Card

The PTO receives 4% of all grocery and gas sales purchased with the Kroger gift card you received in the White Envelope two weeks ago. If each family were to purchase \$1,000 in groceries at Kroger over the course of the year it would net the PTO \$9,360. As an incentive to load up those cards and use them, **if we raise over \$8,500 on Kroger Cards between now and August 2012 the PTO will waive the \$35 dues for ALL families for the 2012-13 school year.** We know not every family shops at Kroger, but those who shop there spend well over \$1,000 a year. Get in the habit of loading that card! Extra cards are available for Aunts, Uncles, and Grandparents by contacting diane.l.altmix@accenture.com.

Health & Wellness Sponsors Lunch October 6 & 20

On **Thursday, October 6** the Health & Wellness Committee will be offering one of Cincinnati's newest, healthy food options--**Naked Pizza**. The pizza franchise was recently featured on The Today Show, and its Cincinnati store is one of the first 10 in the U.S. with 450 stores under contract worldwide. Their recipe is based on the use of all-natural ingredients with no added sugar, high fructose corn syrup, trans-fat, preservatives or hormones. Its crust is made from an Ancestral Blend of ten grains, and offers more protein and fiber than traditional pizza.



Cheese pizza will be served (cash-n-carry) for \$1.50 per slice. No planning or sign up required. Don't miss this great opportunity!

Playground Equipment Update

A Certified Playground Safety Inspector assessed the Playground Equipment on 9/14 and made recommendations to improve its safety. The Committee will address making modifications to the current equipment and replacing mulch upon receipt of the detailed report. The Safety Inspector advised that supervision at the Playground Set is a key factor in maintaining a safe environment for children. Thanks to all who already volunteer for Playground Duty. If you are able to volunteer for Playground Duty please email mdaniher@yahoo.com.

Mulcahey from Springer School and Center presented an informative seminar for parents: *Helping Your Child Become a Strategic Learner*. So what is a strategic learner? "A learner who has a plan to meet a goal." Mulcahey said the most important skills for school success are managing time and effort, organizing materials and work spaces, active studying, and self-regulation. She cited the [ReadWriteThink website](#) as a valuable resource for English Language Arts activities.

Submitting Info

The Pacelli Post is the school's weekly email newsletter. It is the primary means of communication between the school and families.

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



Fall Friday Coffees for Prospective Families

The PTO is requesting volunteers to assist with the Open Houses/Fall Coffees on Friday, October 21 and Friday, November 11 from 9:00-10:30 am. We need 6 volunteers to help as Greeters, Tour Guides, and Parent Speakers. If you are available either date please contact mdaniher@yahoo.com. Help us spread the word about our amazing school!

Christmas Boutique

Calling all Elves! We are beginning to prepare our gifts for the ever fun and fabulous Christmas Boutique and we need YOUR help. Our student shoppers will be coming through the Parish Center doors before you know it! We need help gluing, pricing, packing, etc. NO experience is necessary! All sessions will be in the Parish center this year. Join us for an hour or any amount of time you have available. These sessions are always a bunch of fun - great conversation, yummy snacks, a great way to meet other Pacelli parents and get a sneak peek at some cool gifts in the works.

- Thursday, September 28: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm
- Thursday, October 19: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm
- Tuesday, November 29: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm (plus evening session 6-10 pm)
- Wednesday, November 30: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm



Again - stop in for whatever amount of time you have available. We are just happy to see you! *Fritzi Vallota, Lynda Hannan, Kelly Vaughn*

Selective Electives

Questions? Contact Katie Kleeman at schillkj@hotmail.com

Lego Mania Class

Students will learn the basics of mechanical engineering to design a variety of working robots. Sign up now and join the fun. [LEGO](#)

Mad Science

Your young Mad Scientists will see how weather affects the world around them, have fun with chemistry in the kitchen and explore light and color. [MAD SCIENCE](#)

Young Rembrandts

Afterschool Drawing Class teaching children how to draw using an engaging method in which all children can succeed. Register online only. [REMBRANDTS](#)
Click [here](#) to view sign up sheet.

Science Dome Theater New This Year!

During Catholic Schools Week, a mobile Dome Theater will take over the gym and each teacher will select an educational program for their grade to view in a museum-quality show in the Dome Theater. We are trying this in place of COSI and plan to alternate the Theater experience with COSI year to year moving forward. Thanks to Mindy Smyth for Chairing the Dome Theater Committee. Check out the details at [ScienceDome](#).

SunnyD Book Spree

Keep saving your SunnyD labels. Our teachers will receive **20 FREE BOOKS** for every 20 labels (16 oz. and larger) collected. Please send them in through the White Envelope.

Parish News

Christ the King Halloween Party



Come dressed to scare, to provoke a laugh, or as yourself. No matter who or what you are on Saturday October 22 you will have spooktacular time! Come with your friends to the Pacelli gym from 7-12 pm for fun music from a DJ, yummy snacks and delicious drinks. \$30 per person. Please RSVP to Julie O'toole at JulieOTSG@aol.com.

Hosts: *Zach & Jeannie Bunker, Steve & Carla Caruso, Mitch & Jill*

Pageant of Cocktails and Competition

4th Grade Cocktail Party

Herald the start of the school year with a game night spectacular! Join us for a 4th grade Pageant of Cocktails and Competition at the home of Pam and Scott Lovdal. Open to athletes of all skill levels and abilities. No desire to participate? No worries, come as a spectator and cheer on your favorite team. Dinner and drinks will abound as you work up your appetite competing against fellow 4th grade parents. \$25 per person. Please contact Suzanne Watts with any questions, 871-0122.



- Saturday, September 24, 7:00 pm
- The Lovdal Coliseum, 750 Apple Hill Road, 45230

Your Hosts: *Carole and Matt Chamberlin, Pam and Scott Lovdal, Julie and Bill Moore, Kris and Steve Schulte, Courtney and Sean Talty, Suzanne and Steve Watts*

Mercy Franciscan Groceries & Personal Care Items Drive

This Weekend

Volunteers will be on hand this weekend during all Masses to collect **groceries, personal care items, and cash donations**. Mercy Franciscan Social Services provides emergency help to people in the Cincinnati area. Your support is greatly appreciated. **Cash and checks made out to "Mercy Franciscan" will once again be matched by an anonymous generous parishioner (up to \$5,000!)**



Blessing of the Pets October 1, 9:00 am

Calling all creatures great and small! Our annual Blessing of the Pets will take place on Saturday, October 1 at 9:00 am in the parish driveway. Father Ed will bless pets in honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. Join us for this memorable celebration of animals! Everyone is welcome to attend.

Collect Those Buckeyes!

Parishioner Christian Sigman is developing an event to plant Buckeye trees with the Cincinnati Park Board at Rapid Run Park. He is calling upon Cardinal Pacelli students to help collect buckeyes. A bucket will be provided in the school office the week of September 26 for the students to drop them off. The planting date has yet to be determined, but student volunteers may be needed to assist in planting. Details to follow. Thanks for your support.



Athletics

Winter Sports Sign Ups



Please remember, all winter sports registrations are due **October 1**. That's just 10 days away! Winter sports offered by the Parish include Boys and Girls basketball and Volleyball for 3rd grade through 8th grade.

It is extremely important that we receive registrations on time so that the teams/rosters can be submitted with the ideal number of players. All forms may be found on the Athletic Commission website at www.ckathletics.org. All volleyball and boys basketball registrations should include a CYO release form as well which may be found on the site as well.

Boys basketball tryouts for the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade teams will be in mid-October. Please note, no second graders are permitted to play on the Parish teams. Players are encouraged to play in their grade.

