

Back-to-School Edition - August 3, 2011



The Pacelli Post

Cardinal Pacelli School
Educating the Heart and Mind

Principal's Note

Message from Mrs. Roy



This year's Catholic Schools theme is "We Are One Body." It brings to mind the wonderful community that exists here at Cardinal Pacelli, and I look forward to all that we will accomplish together this year. A new school year is an exciting time for students because it holds the promise of many enriching experiences.

I extend a warm welcome to all of you as you prepare to return, and I look forward to seeing you at **Welcome Back Sunday on August 14** when we open our doors at **9:00 am**. In the

meantime, this edition of *The Pacelli Post* will help you get ready for the beginning of school.



The **First Day of School** is **Thursday, August 18**. The day begins at 7:50 am with morning prayer in the Gym. Please do not drop off students earlier than 7:30 am as there is no adult supervision at that time.

School Office Hours (321-1048) begin on **Monday, August 8** from **9:00 am to Noon**.

New Students must have all medical forms on file in the office by the first day of school. This includes immunizations which are required by the state of Ohio. Students can be excluded from school after 10 days without proper documentation. If you have questions, please contact the school office.

New Families

Our volunteer **buddy families** have been asked to contact their assigned new family within the next couple of weeks, so hopefully, you will hear from them soon if you haven't already. In addition, please feel free to contact Courtney Talty ctalty63@gmail.com or Mary Beth Hines mbsh05@gmail.com for any questions you may have prior to the start of school - we are all here to be a resource for you!

Summer Reading and Math Assignments are due the first day of school.

The assignments should be turned into your child's homeroom teacher. Do you have questions about the assignments? If so, please click [here](#).

Classroom Assignments will be posted on the school website on **Saturday, August 13**. This list will indicate each student's homeroom assignment. A note on the homepage will direct you to the list.

Important Dates

August 1

Schoolhouse Fare ordering period begins

Thursday, August 11

Child Protection Video, Parish Center, 7 pm

Saturday, August 13

Classroom assignments posted on website

Sunday, August 14

Welcome Back Sunday, 9 am-noon

Thursday, August 18

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!

Monday, August 22

Preschool Back-to-School Night
Preschool Room, 7 pm

Tuesday, August 23

Pre-K Back-to-School Night
Preschool Room, 7 pm

Wednesday, August 24

Grades 6-8 Back-to-School Night
Parish Center, 7 pm
*8th grade parents arrive at 6:30 pm

Thursday, August 25

Grades K-5 Back-to-School Night
Gym, 7 pm

Useful Links

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

Parents of Kindergarten Students: Please follow the instructions in the May letter sent to you directly by the Kindergarten teachers. Dates from that letter are also available at Mrs. Keene's [website](#).

After Care

Mrs. Diana Qualters will once again be the director of the After Care program. She is assisted by Jenny Oldendick. After Care begins after school and ends at 6:00 pm. If you have questions, please contact the school office.

Bus Service

If your child is registered for bus service through **Cincinnati Public**, you should have received a post card informing you of your bus stop location, time, and route. Please remember you must live one mile from school to be eligible for service. If you did not receive a post card please contact Jamie Schwendeman at schwendeman_j@cardinalpacelli.org in order to register your child for service.

Families who utilize **Forest Hills** bus service will need to check the [Forest Hills website](#) to find bus stop location, route number, and times. The district's target date for posting this information is August 15th. If you have questions please contact Jamie Schwendeman or Forest Hills directly at beverly.wetterer@foresthills.edu.

Attention Volunteers and Coaches: If you have regular contact (more than 3 hours a month or more than once a month) with children you are required by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to be fingerprinted and watch a Child Protection Video. The next showing of the video is scheduled for **Thursday, August 11 at 7 pm in the Parish Center**. Fingerprinting must be done at one of the Archdiocese's featured locations. Click [here](#) for more information.

Uniform Jumper Change

The uniform jumper style has been changed to a drop waist shift jumper, style number 1421, offered through Schoolbelles. The girls can continue to wear the "V neck style. The change was made because we are transitioning to Lands' End as the supplier of the jumpers, and they only offer the drop waist style. The Lands' End jumpers should be available to order in 2012.

Staff News

We are pleased to announce the addition of two new teachers to the Pacelli faculty.

Fabiola Gallaraga (right) will teach Spanish to all grades this year. A native of Venezuela, Fabiola grew up in Cleveland and earned her undergraduate and master's degrees at John Carroll University. She previously taught Spanish at Mt. Auburn International Academy. Fabiola is also an instructor for the Red Cross where she teaches classes in health and safety, babysitting, and CPR.



Anne Shoup will be our new music teacher. A graduate of the College-Conservatory of Music at UC, Anne earned her M.Ed from the University of Dayton. She is an accomplished organist and has many years of experience teaching music and directing choir. Most recently Anne taught at St. Brigid in Xenia and St. Anthony in Dayton. Anne's creativity extends beyond music: she enjoys painting portraits and landscapes.

Jeff Yelton will act as the Technology Administrator for Our Lord Christ the King Church and Cardinal Pacelli School. He will be managing our network and technology infrastructure, as well as training staff.

Spotlight

Mr. Hacker Goes to the White House



Mr. Hacker (far right) sits at a Capitol Hill restaurant with the Speaker of the House, John Boehner (second from left).

This summer's Fourth of July will probably go down as one of the most memorable for gym teacher Rob Hacker. He and his wife, along with a group of Moeller alumni, visited the capital as guests of John Boehner. Highlights of the trip included attending a party to watch fireworks from the Capitol porch on the Fourth, receiving a private tour of the White House (even the Oval Office!), and visiting Michelle Obama's much celebrated vegetable garden. Mr. Hacker said, "John and his wife were great hosts and it was the trip of a lifetime to be able to do the things we did."

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.

School and will expose teachers to current research and strategies for promoting student achievement.

New Technology



Six SMART Board interactive whiteboards have been added to the K-2 grade classrooms. On July 25, teachers attended a training session to learn how to use the boards. The touch-sensitive display enables teachers to write digital notes, save work to share later, and design interactive lessons. The SMART Boards were purchased with auxiliary funds from the State of Ohio. A classroom set of iPads has also been purchased and will be rolled out for student use this fall.

New Cafeteria Lunch Program

The ordering period for August and September has now begun.

This year we are partnering with **Schoolhouse Fare** to provide hot lunches at our cafeteria. To be cost effective for our parish and school, this program will replace our previous lunch program, although students are welcome to pack their own lunches just like before. Milk will be available for purchase (cash only-no tokens); however, in an effort to promote healthy eating habits, sweet snacks will no longer be available. Additional information about the program is available on our [website](#), including the instructions for registering with [Schoolhouse Fare](#).



Schoolhouse Fare
Choice Lunches Delivered to Your School

Parents of Incoming Seventh Graders

The state of Ohio has changed immunization requirements for school entry for the 2011-12 school year. **All students entering grade 7 must now have a booster dose of vaccine for DPT (diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus).** A dose of Tdap (the adolescent/adult does of acellular DPT) or a dose of Td (adult tetanus, diphtheria) given within 5 years of entry to grade 7 is required. Some students may already have this, but please check with your pediatrician to be sure.

Preschool Finds a New Home

Our Preschoolers have a wonderful new space to learn in now that the former Music Room (adjacent to the cafeteria) has been remodeled. We invite you to check it out during Welcome Back Sunday. This larger space puts our preschoolers right at the heart of Cardinal Pacelli!



Staying Connected

Do you have a new email address? It's easy to manage your subscription to *The Pacelli Post* through the controls at the bottom of every newsletter. In just a few clicks you can add a new address or unsubscribe from an old one.

Do you need information from a back issue of *The Pacelli Post*? For your convenience every newsletter is archived on the "[The White Envelope/Pacelli Post](#)" [page](#) under the News tab on the school website.

Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about our school? Forward *The Pacelli Post* and introduce a family to all the wonderful things our school has to offer.



If you were waiting on your fall schedule before making commitments please print out the [PTO Volunteer Form](#) and return it in the first White Envelope. Volunteers are needed for **cafeteria duty, playground duty, magazine sale and office support.**

Schoolhouse Fare and Cafeteria Volunteers

The PTO will continue to provide cafeteria volunteers to sell milk and assist with passing out the ordered lunches. The shift is 10:40 am-12:45 pm, and it is critical to have two volunteers each day. Please email mdaniher@yahoo.com to volunteer for cafeteria duty.

Roster

Did you move this summer? Change your email address or cell phone number? If so, please email mdaniher@yahoo.com with the changes **by August 31.**

Welcome Back Sunday August 14, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Let us help you start off the new school year on the right foot. Join us for Welcome Back Sunday. New this year:

Pay your PTO dues and purchase gift cards using your credit card. Events for the day include:



- **9:00 am-12:00 pm:**
 - **School supplies** pick-up in the Gym if you placed an order in the spring
 - **Spiritwear Sale** in the Gym: purchase gym uniforms, remaining stock of uniform shirts & fleeces, orange and blue Spiritwear t-shirts and place orders for sweatshirts with last name on back.
 - **Uniform Exchange** in the Gym: Pick up or drop off gently used uniform shirts, pants, shorts, jumpers, and skirts.
- **11:00 am-12:00 pm: New Families Reception** in the Parish Center. Join us for Refreshments and a brief Q & A session

Back-to-School Nights

PreSchool (3 & 4 year old program): Monday, August 22 at 7:00 pm in the PreSchool Room. An informational meeting detailing what you need to know and what your child will learn, as well as the opportunity to sign up to volunteer in the classroom.

PreK: Tuesday, August 23 at 7:00 pm in the Preschool Room. An informational meeting detailing what you need to know and what your child will learn as well as the opportunity to sign up to volunteer in the classroom.

6th through 8th Grade: Wednesday, August 24 at 7:00 pm (6:30 for 8th Grade) in the Parish Center. A brief meeting followed by presentations by the teachers in the classrooms. **8th Grade** parents need to be in the Parish Center at **6:30 p.m.** for a presentation of our study skills program.

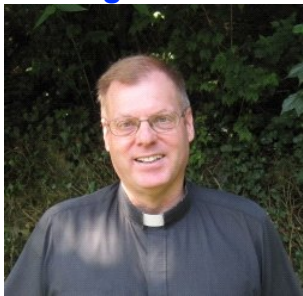
K through 5th Grade: Thursday, August 25 at 7:00 pm in the Gym. Information presented by Principal Roy and several Pacelli Committees. Followed by a visit the classrooms for presentations by the teachers and the opportunity to sign up to volunteer in the classroom.

Room Parents Needed for Grades 3, 4, 5, 7 & 8

Room Parent assignments are made after the class lists are out on August 13. We need volunteers in the above grades with the understanding that it is a possible assignment depending upon class lists. Please email carlacaruso5@gmail.com if you can help.

Parish News

Message from Pastor Ed Smith



One of the great joys of being at Christ the King Parish is that I, as pastor, get to welcome people to this wonderful place. Certainly one of the reasons it is so wonderful is Cardinal Pacelli School: it is really a treasure. I am so happy to welcome everyone back for the new school year, and to welcome in a special way our new students and their parents. Each new academic year brings great opportunities for growth and a deepening of our relationship with Our Lord. May God bless this year and touch the hearts of our students, faculty, staff and parents so that all of us may draw closer to Him each day. God bless you all.

Panther Open Golf Outing

Calling all Men and Women of the Parish!

Friday, August 19th Legendary Run Golf Course

Gather your 4-some or sign up by yourself. This is the 13th annual event, and it promises to be a great afternoon of golf and dinner. Tee-off is at 1 pm. If you have not registered yet or for complete details, go to www.pantheropen.org or contact Erik Waterkotte at ewaterkotte@johnmorrell.com or Sean Talty at sean.talty@centricconsulting.com



SAVE THE DATE! Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 28

Spend a relaxing afternoon & evening catching up with your fellow parishioners. Details to follow soon!

Mount Lookout Farmer's Market at Cardinal Pacelli



The boys from Boy Scout Troop 140 have been busy growing vegetables and preparing delicious foods from their bounty, including fresh pesto, tender zucchini bread, and succulent salsa. There's still time to check it out.

Visit their booth and the rest of the vendors at the Mt. Lookout Farmer's Market behind Cardinal Pacelli every Saturday through October from 10 am - 1 pm.

Cardinal Pacelli S.O.S.

Support Our School, Support Our Soldiers & Save Our Subscriptions

Annual Magazine Subscription Drive - September 1st through September 16th

Please save renewal notices for our sale!

Orders may also be placed on-line before and during our sale for student credit via credit card at www.midwestfundraising.com. Just click on the American Publishers link at the bottom of the page, enter our school code (WB3016) and place your order!

Questions? Contact Cheri Fitch at cheri.fitch@earthlink.net or 233-0015 or Robin Keyser at rtmkeyser@zoomtown.com or 871-3217.

Athletics

Fall Sports

August. Seasons begin in early September! Good luck to everyone.

Scoreboarders Needed for Basketball Season

With the start of basketball season, the need for scoreboarders arises. We have graduated a lot of talented 8th graders this past year and are now in need of 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls and boys who wish to take on the challenge. For more information about the role and to express your interest please contact Matt Chamberlin at mchams1107@gmail.com.

Athletic Commission Update

The Athletic Commission has been busy this past spring and summer trying to keep up with the *athletic* needs of the parish. Some of the changes you can expect with the startup of school include:

- new cleaning equipment to better maintain our gym floor
- repairing/reseeding of the playfield to ready it for recess and soccer practice
- improved sound system in the gym for hosting all types of events

For more information about Christ the King Athletics: www.ckathletics.org.

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