

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL NEWS-February 13, 2020
BY MR. DUTTWEILER

Dear Parents,

Our scholarships for our eighth graders are still being reported. Congratulations to Charlie Moffat on winning the Salvatorian and Legacy Scholarships from St. Mary's High School.

Enclosed in this week's letter is a copy of a school newspaper created by a STREAM academy during Catholic Schools' Week. Many thanks to Mrs. Gerard and the sixth, seventh, and eighth graders for producing a very professional product.

Next week is our week off from school. When we return on February 24, our primary grade students will be hearing a presentation from Aurora Dental. Wednesday, February 26 begins Lent with a Mass for Ash Wednesday and on Friday, February 28 the eighth graders will be having their annual Fish Fry. Please support our eighth grade fish fry!

A very large donation of plastic bags, blankets, and bread was sent to the Response To Love Center. They were very appreciative. Thank You for all your support with these projects.

Many of our art classes under the direction of Mrs. Bonanno are working on projects to help the environment. Mrs. Bonanno is calling this "Prevent Plastic Pollution Project Through Art". It is creating art out of items that would end up in landfills. Artwork from this project will be submitted for a display at the Buffalo Museum of Science. For this project we are in need of **water bottles, plastic grocery bags, and styrofoam trays**. Any donations of these items will be greatly appreciated. Please send any of these items to the office or the art room. Thank You!

Thank You to those who have sold their Pot of Gold tickets. Special thanks to those who are buying and selling more than required. We had a successful Festa and Christmas Bazaar and we are hoping for another successful event.

For those of you going away next week, I hope you have a good time.

Sincerely,



Joseph Duttweiler
Principal

Hot Lunch Friday, March 6, 2020

Menu: Spaghetti with marinara sauce
Roll
Drink
Dessert

Price: \$2.00

To order:

1. Complete order form below
2. Detach the form and return it with **cash only payment** (no checks please as I cannot cash them) no later than **Tuesday, March 3** in an envelope labeled "Hot Lunch" with your child's name and grade.
3. Each child needs an order slip.

Any orders received after 3 pm on March 3 will be sent back to you. Any overpayment is considered a donation to the hot lunch program.

Workers: Please be in the kitchen by 9:00 am

Accurso, Cich, Janak, J. Keem, Penfold, Schmauss, Stevens

Bakers: Baked goods should be on disposable trays labeled with your name. Please drop off baked goods in the kitchen by 9:30 am.

Friol, George, Howe, Kern, Sexton, Smith, Wischman

Student Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Additional serving: \$1.00 Total: _____

Return by 3 pm, Tuesday, March 3
Questions? Call or text J'Neene Sexton at 680-2779



EIGHTH GRADE FISH FRY

FISH DINNER..... \$14

BREADED SHRIMP \$14

CHICKEN FINGERS \$12

ALL MEALS INCLUDE FRENCH FRIES, MACARONI SALAD, COLESLAW, ROLL AND BUTTER, AND DESSERT (DINE IN INCLUDES BEVERAGE)

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT

50/50 DRAWING • THEME BASKETS

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE 8TH GRADE CLASS

4 - 7 P.M. FRIDAY, FEB. 28

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL
510 OAKWOOD AVE., E. AURORA**

FEATURING:



The ICS Insider

Catholic Schools Week

Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed

JANUARY 26- February 1, 2020

ICS Open House



Some moms who ran the book fair at Open House

On Sunday, January 26, ICS held an open house at the school. Open house this week marked the start of Catholic Schools Week! We had all kinds of people helping with the open house; here are some volunteers who helped out:

Carol Szczepanski (Sam in 6th grade, and Sarah in 3rd), Melissa Cox (Isabelle in 4th grade), Carrie Howe (Aaron in 5th grade, and Sarah in 8th), Eileen Martin (Louisa in 8th and Quinn in 6th), Tara Weyer (Julia in 6th and Evan 4th), Marisa and Erik Kling (Mason in 1st grade), Jean Filipiak (Anna in 7th grade), Kara Bush (Ashlyn in 7th grade),

Becky Davidson (Lunch lady at our school), Amanda Twentyfive (Elena in grade 5) Jessica Russo (Joey in 6th grade, William in 3rd grade).

ICS hopes that this week's Open House will encourage new students and families to join our school and parish!

New Music Teacher Joins ICS Family!

Elementary school assembly performer joins ICS as the new music teacher after Ms. Wos sadly left. Mr. Colton, song leader at St. Mary of the Lake and local guitar teacher, has a strong love of music. He has written many original songs and has performed throughout Western New York. His most famous song is *Mr. Ducky Wucky*.

This will be the first time Mr. Colton teaches a class, and he has big plans. "I am most excited about creating music lessons that excite the students

and show them a world of possibility."

Mr. Colton says.

When asked what his favorite thing about music is, he said that it is writing and creating music. He also hopes to create lessons that excite students and show them a world of possibility.

Mr. Colton will be starting in February and is excited to get to know everyone. His songs are available on his Youtube account, which is called Glenn Colton.



Mr. Colton at Elma Library in 2018.



Grandparents Day

On January 28th ICS held their Annual Grandparents Day. The day started off with everyone participating in mass at 9:00 am. After the kids celebrated Mass with their Grandparents, the kids all went to ICS's Gymnasium to enjoy some Breakfast with their Beloved Seniors.

Our reporters walked around the gathering and asked the Grandparents all about their favorite parts of the day. Some of the things people said are as follows. They talked about how they were very impressed with the activities and the Decade day. They were also very impressed with the MLK essays in the hallway. They said that everything was very organized and neat. They loved visiting the rooms, one Grandparent said that it was very homey, and that you never saw a bare wall.

Lots of the people at this gathering enjoyed their visit to ICS and were very impressed with all that the students had done over the year so far. Lets just hope they'll be just as impressed next year!

Hardwood Floors

Creaking
As I walk across them
Creaking
When my brother runs around
Scatched up
From mini sticks scraping the floor
Pointy shoes pirouetting across the foyer
Cat claws on wood
Loud
As my dad and I sneak out of the house
for a morning walk
Quiet
As my cat tiptoes by
Hard
After I fall
Smooth
As I lay too tired to get up
Hair raising
As they creak even when no one is
walking on them
Hardwood floor
Creaky
Scatched up
Loud
Quiet
Hard
Smooth
Hair raising
Hardwood Floor

Mary Hayes, Grade 8

*First Place Winner of a poetry contest
sponsored by the Western New York
Federation of Women's Clubs*

FIFTH GRADER CHARLIE BENZIN GOES BALD FOR BUCKS

On Wednesday, January 29, Charlie Benzin shaved his head in front of the whole school. He spoke shortly with Channel 7 news before shaving his head. Charlie is currently in fifth place of top fundraisers in Buffalo! He has raised \$1,380! Go Charlie!



ICS DECADE DAY

On Wednesday January 29th, all of the different classes in ICS were given a certain decade, and that class had to dress as.

Super Heros of ICS!

“Is that a BIRD it's a PLANE no it's ICS Superheroes!!!” On Monday the 27th of January the children of ICS dressed up as superheroes. The wonderful principal of ICS let the kids spread their creativity and dress up as their favorite superheroes and slay the day! Not only did the kids dress up as superheroes but also their favorite singer or hockey player or even Cindy Lou Hoo. Many people dressed up as superheroes of the following: Cali as Supergirl, Anthony as Black Panther, and Joe as Hulk.



Picture of ICS's second grade dressed up as superheroes

Our Catholic Schools Contest

The ICS insider had a contest for Kindergarten through 3rd grade. They had a drawing contest, where they had to draw their favorite activity to do during Catholic School's Week. The winner for this contest was Harrison Bennett in 3rd grade. Harrison's drawing was a hockey skate who represented our open skate. For 4th grade through 8th grade, we had a comic contest and the winner of this contest is Julia Weyer. She is in the 6th grade. Her comic was about animals in the arctic. Our winners will receive 1 dress down day pass and 1 ice cream pass. Their pictures are on page 4 and outside of the library. Thank you to all who participated.

King Arthur Flour visits ICS

There was a King Arthur Flour representative on 1-27-20 and chose two students Ross Rozanski and Libby Kirsch to help make bread. Grades 4 - 6 watched the bread being made, because at the end of the day they were given two bags of flour and a recipe book to make the same bread by Monday. They were asked to make 1 loaf of bread for their house and 1 loaf of bread for The Response to Love. There are three steps to follow. They have to knead the bread and fold, push, and turn. For more information go to kingarthurfLOUR.com/back for good kids



CLASSIFIEDS

LOST AND FOUND

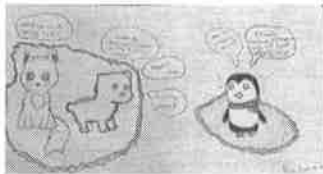
The following items are on the table in the cafeteria:

- White gloves
- Black Nike gym sneaker (size 6, left shoe)
- ICS sweatshirt size small
- Black Columbia mitten
- Black Nike gloves

CONTEST WINNERS



This is Harrison Bennett's Art



This comic is by Julia Weyer

MISSING HIGHLIGHTER

Lucas Taylor lost a highlighter a couple weeks ago and has been looking for it ever since

Last seen: Lucas' Desk
Suspect:with Rigigigianis in Afghanistan

SPIRIT SQUAD

Go Fight Win! The Spirit Squad did a fun cheer session on Friday the 31st in the gym after the volleyball game. We always welcome anyone to join in the cheers and to applaud for us. We would really appreciate it!



YOGA AT RECESS

Recess yoga with Marin and Mariel will be starting up soon again and it is open to 4th through 8th grade. Please check with Marin Schaub and Mariel Hoffman for further details. Spread the word.

EASTER CANDY SALE

This a great fundraiser for our school and orders are due February 10th and you can go online to www.niagarafundraising.com. And enter our school code IMMCON2S. All orders are tax free. Extra order sheets with more information in the office.

COLORCYCLE

ColorCycle from Crayola collects used markers for the school to be a Eco-cool-School



ICS OPEN HOUSE

On February 5, Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 am, ICS is hosting an Open House for parents of new students to come in and check out everything that is great about our school. SPREAD THE WORD

LOOKING FOR STUDENTS FOR CLASS OF '32

Immaculate Conception School is beginning their search for students that will make up the Class of '32.



Mr. M and his son Theo at Open House.

Circus Acts Summary

Story and article by: Amelia Sexton

I recently wrote a short story for a contest. I was asked to include a short summary on the story in the school newspaper.

In my story Circus Acts the characters are Jumbo the Balancing Elephant, Polly the Human Dog, and Neema the Gorilla. These three animals were thrown into the circus world against their own will. They were mistreated for their entire lives in the circus. The animals communicate to the reader by personifying themselves as people in a diary entry and having their own human thoughts and actions. In this story there are heartbreaking moments in the story and it has a very depressing climax. * The entire story is available in our library *

Note from story and article writer:

I got this idea from a YouTube video on the channel The Dodo. the video is called Animals Taste Freedom For The First Time/ Dodo Heroes. You should definitely watch this video to raise awareness about animal mistreatment behind the public eye. After I watched the video I realized that I should write a story about animals to raise awareness to people and to tell people to look beyond what they see in the public eye.

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This was a first time Stream academy that the ICS reporters completed together, in the short time period of 2 hours. Nice job to all !

Teen/Tween Yoga & Mindfulness for girls



DATES: February 20th - March 26th

TIMES: Thursday's 3:30-4:15pm

PLACE: Wholeness Found, 411 Main St., East Aurora

COST: \$50 (6-week session)

It's all the benefits of a great yoga class designed to develop strength, flexibility and self confidence -- paired with time for girls to focus on wellness and mindfulness in an engaging way. Please call/text Erica Giallella 716-867-0232 with any questions or to register your daughter. Girls can walk to Wholeness Found right after school and change at the studio.

WOMEN'S
history month

**Girl
Scouts
Movie
Day**



AUROMA THEATRE

**Sunday, March 1
11:00am**

**Admission is free, but please
bring a non-perishable food item,
canned fruit preferred, for
FISH of East Aurora!**

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