

November 17, 2017

From the Desk of Mr. Poole

Dear Parents,

It is amazing how quickly the month is flying by! Even though we are only at the middle of November, after our Thanksgiving break next week we be finishing up the last week!



As you came in for conferences, you probably saw campaign posters on the walls belonging to those running for Student Council. On Tuesday morning, they gave their speeches and students voted immediately afterward. I would like to congratulate the following students that have been elected:

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| • President | Betsy Allen | • Grade 3 Rep | Natalie Ferlazzo |
| • Vice-President | Gianna Young | • Grade 4 Rep | Danielle Armor |
| • Treasurer | Grey Myers | • Grade 5 Rep | Hunter Regis |
| • Secretary | Charlie Adams | • Grade 6 Rep | Natalie Allen |
| • Kindergarten Rep | Jacob Adams | • Grade 7 Rep | Savanna Veazey |
| • Grade 1 & 2 Rep | Nour Saadeh | | |

I would also like to thank Miss Rosemary Ciccarone, the Student Council Faculty Advisor. I am looking forward to seeing great things happen this year!

All week long I have heard parents, faculty and staff talking about the Gala! I have to admit that it was a lot of fun. Tuscany Hall is a beautiful venue, the food was great and the auction items were fantastic! My sincere thanks to parents, students and teachers for working together on their projects. I would also like to thank David Myers (father of 7th grader Grey Myers) for being our DJ and keeping people on the dance floor! We don't have a total yet, but I am hopeful that we will be able to let you know in our next newsletter how much money was brought in to support our school. Thank you again to everyone that had a part in this event.

We kicked off Discover Catholic Schools Week on Sunday at the 11:30 Mass at Precious Blood. The students represented our school beautifully in their service at the mass. Afterward we held our Open House from 1:00-2:30, with 6 families visiting. However, we want each of our families to be ambassadors for our school! If you have a family member, neighbor or friend that may be interested in Epiphany, please ask them to call the office for information and to schedule a tour. We will open up registration in January, so spread the word!

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BASKET



The holidays are fast approaching, and that means it is time once again for Epiphany families to support our Culpeper community by participating in the Community Christmas Basket.

We will begin collecting non-perishable food items on Monday, so as you do your shopping, please don't forget about those in need right here in Culpeper. Last year our school was able to donate over 5000 food items! Can we match that this year?

YES WE CAN! We are Epiphany Catholic School!

CHRISTMAS MATCHING PROGRAM

Once again, during this Christmas season, a very generous donor has offered to match donations to Epiphany up to \$15,000.00. Our thanks to those of you that donated at the Gala. You started us off with \$1,500.00! Last year many of our families responded with contributions, knowing that their gift would be matched for the benefit of their children's school. We are truly blessed!

When we all work together, we are able to build a shining future for our children and our Church. Thank you for your consideration

EAGLE PROJECT FOR DEVON BUTTENSHAW

Devon Buttenshaw is working towards making the rank of Eagle Scout in Boy Scouts. His Eagle Scout project is to purchase an AED for Epiphany Catholic School. The approximate cost is \$1400 and he is currently fund raising for it. If you can donate to this worthy cause please send your donation to the school in an envelope with Eagle Scout Project written on the front. Any checks can be made payable to the school and please write Eagle Scout Project Devon Buttenshaw on the memo line. These donations are tax deductible. Thank you and we will keep you updated on this much needed project.



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

The eighth grade this year will again host a monthly Family Movie Night. Make plans to join us tonight at 6:00 to watch ***Fly Away Home***. It is great entertainment for children and adults! Concessions available for purchase.

READY FOR THE SCHOOL DAY

We ask parents to make sure that their children arrive at school ready for the day. Please make sure they have eaten breakfast and have their lunch. Also, if their class has a snack time, please be sure they have that, too.

We also ask that students are dressed for the weather.! There were many students unprepared for the weather this week! Classes go outside for recess, walk to lunch, serve as Safety Patrols, and wait in the pick-up line. Coats are a must, with gloves and hats as needed.

Also, if you feel your child may need medication for occasional pain relief, cough, etc., you may send a supply in to the office with a *completed **Authorization to Administer Medication Form***. You will find this in the family folder you received at Orientation. *Please follow all instructions on the reverse side.* Forms are also available in the office.

AMAZON SMILE

Do your shop on Amazon? Who doesn't? What about your family members, neighbors, and friends? They can register to support Epiphany, too! Epiphany receives 0.5% of your eligible purchases because we are registered as one of their charitable organizations! There is no cost to you, the customer, or to Epiphany, the charitable organization. It is truly painless fundraising!

How easy is it to register? Copy and paste this link in to your browser:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/54-1836329>

When you have registered, it will say 'Supporting Epiphany Catholic School' under the search bar.

Black Friday? Cyber Monday? How about every other day of the week? Each quarter, funds will be transferred directly to Epiphany. Please note that eligible purchases are noted as "Eligible for **amazon smile** donation" on the product detail page. (Please note that only the sale price of the item is considered-other costs, such as tax, shipping, fees, service charges, returns, etc., are excluded.)

ALL ARE INVITED TO MEET BISHOP BURBIDGE

◆ Thursday, Dec. 14

Bishop Burbidge celebrates Epiphany Mass (9:00 a.m.),

Parents, please plan to join us as we welcome our

Bishop to this beautiful part of his Diocese!

POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL

We ask parents to make use of the Parent Portal to monitor student progress and communicate with teachers if there are any concerns. Parents will use the same account login and password that they used last year. Parents of kindergarten students, please note that they are evaluated in January and June.

Copy and paste this address into your browser:

<https://arlingtondiocese.powerschool.com/public/>

BOOKWORM CENTRAL BOOK FAIR

Our thanks to parents and students that attended and purchased books at our Bookworm Central Book Fair last week! Because of your support, we will be able to purchase some new books for our library!

'BOOST' AFTER SCHOOL INSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE

Many students could use just a little extra help, and our teachers will be available to offer instructional assistance on the following days:

- Grades 3rd, 4th and 5th on **THURSDAY**
- Middle School-**Notify teacher by email 24 hours ahead if attending.**
 - ✓ Ms. Gaffron on Tuesday - Reading/Language Arts
 - ✓ Mrs. Heelen on Wednesday - Science, Gr. 6 Social Studies and Gr. 6 /7 Math
 - ✓ Mr. Saibini on Friday - Religion, Gr. 7/8 Social Studies and Gr. 8 Math/Algebra

***Teachers will bring students to the Main Entrance at 4:15.
Please wait out front, as office is closed at 4:00.***

Mark Your Calendar

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| ◆ Friday, Nov. 17 | - Family Movie Night - <u><i>Fly Away Home</i></u> @ 6:00 |
| ◆ Monday, Nov. 20 | - SCA Meeting |
| ◆ Tuesday, Nov. 21: | - Pizza Tuesday - Mama Mai
- Preschool Thanksgiving |
| ◆ Wednesday, Nov. 22
- Friday, Nov. 24 | Thanksgiving Holiday |
| ◆ Tuesday, Nov. 28 | - 8th Grade Student Store
- Pizza Tuesday
- Schola Primo 3:15-4:00 |
| ◆ Thursday, Nov. 30 | - High School Placement Test - 8th Grade
- Boost for Grades 3, 4, & 5 Pick up at 4:15-Main Door
- Schola Primo & Ensemble Practice Pick up at 4:15 - Main Door |
| ◆ Friday, Dec. 1 | - 8:30 Mass First Friday 6th Grade Leads
- Hot Lunch - Uncle Elders |

