

May 19, 2017

A Note from Mr. Oliver

Dear Epiphany Families,

The faculty, staff, parents and students wish Fr. Kevin all the best on his 25th Anniversary of Ordination! At Mass this morning, Fr. Jim Bruse told us that he celebrated his 33rd Anniversary (May 12) and our Bishop Michael Burbidge also celebrated his 33rd Anniversary today! Congratulations to all of our men of God and may our Lord continue to guide them on their journey.

It is another big week for our middle school students! They will be hosting their annual 'Wax Museum' on Tuesday. Visitors may come at the beginning of the school day from 8:30-9:00 or in the afternoon from 2:00-2:45. Each student will be dressed as a Saint and have a presentation board. When a visitor stops at one of the 'scenes' and steps on the floor button, the Saint will come to life and tell their story! Be sure to make plans to stop by and see for yourself.

Those 8th grade students that will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation will attend practice on Tuesday at 7:00 and the Confirmation Mass on Friday at 7:30. Please refer to the instructions and procedures for both practice and Mass that have been provided by Mr. Saibini.

FIREMAN'S PARADE

The PTO is asking for volunteers to help decorate the parade float next week. Tim Smoot, our float designer, will be here Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (May 23, 24, 25) from 9:00 am-3:30 pm. and we need lots of hands to help her put the float together. No special skills are needed aside from stapling, gluing, taping, some lifting, and maybe painting/spray painting for those who can. Please volunteer your time to help create this amazing showcase for our school.

I am personally asking as many people to come out, help, participate and do whatever possible to showcase our school to the community. If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Young at pto@epiphanycatholicsschool.org

On June 10th, Epiphany will host a celebration to mark the end of our 20th year! Former families and alumni are invited to attend. However, many of former families have moved either within or outside of the area. Any help in contacting our families would be appreciated! To offer or receive more information, please email Ellie Johnston at johnstone@epiphanycatholicsschool.org

IMPORTANT DATES

The next couple of weeks will be very busy! Please note the following:

- ▶ **Tonight** May 19 Movie Night: Sing
- ▶ May 21 Altar Server Refresher-9:45 @ PBCC
- ▶ May 22 1st Gr. Field Trip to Frontier Culture Museum
- ▶ May 23 Middle School Wax Museum
Confirmation Practice-7:00 at PBCC
Preschool Field Trip to Eldon Farm
Work on parade float 9:00-3:30
- ▶ May 24 8th Grade Bake Sale
Kindergarten Field Trip to Andora Farm
Work on Parade float 9:00-3:30
- ▶ May 25 Work on Parade Float 9:00-finished
Meet at school at 5:00 if signed up to ride on float
- ▶ May 26 8th Grade Confirmation Mass @ 7:30
11:30 Dismissal K-8
- ▶ May 29 Memorial Day
- ▶ May 30 8th Gr. Field Trip to Basillica
- ▶ June 2 8:30 Mass-Kindergarten Leads
3rd Grade Field Trip to Powell Wellness
Dramapalooza and Final PTO Meeting
Meeting @ 6:00 followed by the
Epiphany Fine Arts Night

Please see the Dates to Remember for more important information..

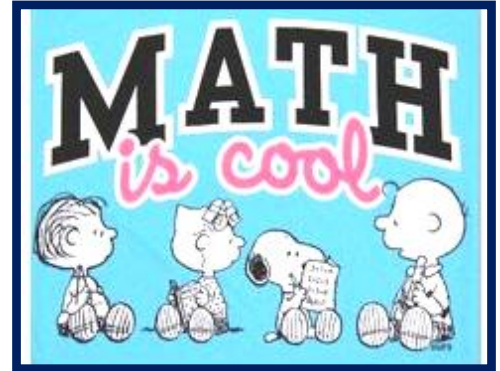
ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL REMINDER

For those families that line up early for morning arrival and afternoon dismissal, we ask again that you park next to the curb so that parents that need to drop off or pick student up early can get to the front door. Thank you in advance for your attention to this.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

On Wednesday, the kindergarten class will be taking a field trip to celebrate our amazing achievement of reading 9000 books. As a matter of fact, these awesome children have actually read over 10,000 books for the year!

Kindergarten has finished their year-end assessments and are proud to have done very well on both! On our PALS reading assessment the class averaged an 89% with students gaining an average of 39 points since they were assessed in October. The class average on the KAMC Diocesan math assessment was an 83%.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, May 21

- Refresher Altar Service training @ 9:45 at PBCC

Monday, May 22

- 1st Grade Field Trip to Frontier Culture Museum
- MacTime P/U @ 4:15 @ main doors

Tuesday, May 23

- **Come out and Help** with Parade float 9:00-3:30
- Middle School Wax Museum
- Preschool Field Trip to Eldon Farm
- Pizza Tuesday
- Confirmation Practice-7:00 @ Precious Blood

Wednesday, May 24

- **Come out and Help** with Parade float 9:00-3:30
- Kindergarten Farm Field Trip - for reading 9000 books!
- Bake Sale

Thursday, May 25

- **Come out and Help** with Parade float 9:00-3:30
- Fireman's Parade - meet at school 5:00 if signed up

Friday, May 26

11:30 Early Dismissal for K-8

- 8:30 Mass
- 8th Grade Confirmation @ 7:30 at Precious Blood

Other Important Dates/Information:

- Dramapalooza Fine Arts Night and PTO meeting is June 2
- Golf Tournament is Mon., June 5
- Preschool Graduation is June 6
- Sports Banquet Pot Luck on June 8
- Kg. Graduation, 8th Gr. Lunch, & Passing On Ceremony is Friday, June 9
- Epiphany 20th Year Celebration is June 10
- Field Day is June 12
- 8th Grade Graduation is June 13 at 7:00 p.m.
- **11:30 Early Dismissal Thursday, June 15**
- Last day of school - June 16
Dismissal follows 8:30 Mass and distribution of Report Cards and Awards-(about 10:15)

BOOK FEES, TUITION AND FACTS PAYMENTS

If you will be paying Book Fees and Tuition in the office for the upcoming school year, those payments are due no later than June 1. If payment is not received, you will need to pay through FACTS Tuition Management.

Also, we are in the process of activating FACTS accounts for the 2016/2017 school year. If you did not request otherwise, families will begin payment in June. Please be advised, also, that FACTS will take the \$38.00 Fee when the agreement is activated.

SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL & DRAMAPALOOZA!

The Epiphany 7th and 8th grade students travelled to Paul VI High School in Fairfax to participate in the annual Diocesan Shakespeare Festival. They have spent hours practicing and have done a great job getting ready,

Be sure to come to the Dramapalooza Fine Arts Night to see them perform 'The Tempest', along with skits by the 6th grade (Romeo and Juliet), 4th & 5th grade (Pirates! King of the High 'C's), 2nd & 3rd grade (The Ballad of Gilligan's Island), grades K & 1 (Down By the Bay), and preschool 3's & 4's, too!

The final PTO meeting of the year will be held at 6:00 followed by the show at 6:30. Parent volunteers are needed to make the night run smoothly, so please contact your child's teacher directly or you may contact Mrs. Watson through her email: music@epiphanycatholicsschool.org

This is one of our greatest events of the year! We look forward to seeing all of our students and families on June 2nd!