

November 9, 2017

From the Desk of Mr. Poole

Dear Parents,

Parent Teacher Conferences are being held this afternoon and tomorrow. I do hope everyone has scheduled a meeting with the teachers. It is beneficial to meet one on one to discuss student progress and to build a partnership between the home and school. Thank you for your time.

I would like to encourage all of our families to join us at the **The Emerald City Ball**, Epiphany's 16th Annual Gala on Saturday, Nov. 11. As you come in for conferences, take a look at the fantastic class items created by our students. These will also be up for purchase during the live auction, along with activities such as giving your child the gift of Principal for the morning and lunch with me, or Vet for a Day with Dr. Watts. What about Dinner with Fr. Kevin? There will also be some great silent auction items for yourself or for Christmas giving.

If you find you will be able to attend, but did not respond, **DON'T WORRY!** Tickets will be available at the door and you will easily be added to our list of attendees. The cost is \$65.00 per person. Come join the fun, enjoy some great food and dance the night away!

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE REMINDERS

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, Nov. 9 (afternoon) and on Friday, Nov. 10.

As we all know, education is a team effort and is most successful when there is a partnership between the teacher, parent, and student. Parent-Teacher Conferences provide an excellent opportunity to cultivate this partnership and to demonstrate to your child the importance that you place on the educational/religious process. All of our teachers are working hard preparing for a productive meeting with each family.

Parents, afternoon care is available on Thursday, but there is no child care available tomorrow (Friday). Please make arrangements for your child care. Children are not to be left unsupervised inside or outside the building. Leaving them in the office is not an option. Please work together if necessary.

Parents, the conference schedules are tight, so please **be on time and end on time**. It's a good idea to ask your most important questions first, just in case time runs out before you and the teacher have a chance to discuss them all.

Be sure to ask the teacher for specific suggestions on ways to help your child do better. This is the most important part of the meeting. It will become your action plan. If the teacher says something you don't quite understand, don't be shy about asking for an explanation.

It's a good idea to end the conference by summing up decisions you've made together. **If needed, ask to meet again.**

EAGLE PROJECT FOR DEVON BUTTENSCHAW

Devon Buttenschaw 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 Buttenschaw on the memo line. These donations are tax deductible. Thank you and we will keep you updated on this much needed project.

BOOKWORK CENTRAL BOOK FAIR

The Book Worm Central Book fair arrived this week! Mrs. Sherry needs your help! Please volunteer by clicking this link <http://signup.com/go/bCaCVKv> to sign up for a time (or 2!) . All help is greatly appreciated.

Email Mrs. Sherry at sherrye@epiphanycatholicschool.org with any questions.

Book Fair Schedule

Payment Preference: Debit/Credit Card or Personal Check, or Cash in bills \$10.00 or less. Limited change is available.

- **Wednesday and Thursday:** Students preview Book Fair choices!
- **Thursday, Nov. 9:** **Open 11:30am - 3:30 PM** during Parent-Teacher Conferences. Children **MUST** be accompanied and supervised by their parent.
- **Friday, Nov. 10:** **Book Fair is open 8:30 - 4:00** Volunteers needed! Again, children **MUST** be accompanied and supervised by their parent.
- **Saturday:** **Closed**
- **Sunday, Nov. 12** **Open during Epiphany Open House 1:00 - 2:30**
- **Monday, Nov. 13** **Open 3:00 - 4:30 for sales**
- **Tuesday, Nov. 14** **Open from 8:15 - 12:15 for final sales**
** Begin break down process at 1:00 and hopefully be done by 3:30- **Can you help??***

Mark Your Calendar

The November calendar went home this week. Be sure to post it for easy reference, and make note on your personal calendar of important dates, including:

- ◆ **Wednesday, Nov. 8** - **Begin Book Worm Central Book Fair through Noon on Tuesday, 11/14**
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
- ◆ **Thursday, Nov. 9** - **11:30 Early Dismissal for Parent/Teacher Conferences**
Please notify the office 24 hours prior to attend **Extended Day**
Students are not to be left unsupervised in the hallway or outside.
- **Book Fair is open 8:30 - 4:00** Volunteers needed!
Again, children **MUST** be accompanied and supervised by their parent.
- ◆ **Friday, Nov. 10:** - **Parent-Teacher Conferences**
Students are not to be left unsupervised in the hallway or outside.
- **Book Fair is open 8:30 - 4:00** Volunteers needed!
Again, children **MUST** be accompanied and supervised by their parent.
- ◆ **Saturday, Nov. 11** - **VIRTUS Workshop 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**
- **16th Annual Gala 'Emerald City Ball'**
6:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight at Tuscany Hall
- ◆ **Sunday, Nov. 12** - **Begin Discover Catholic Schools Week**
Students at 11:30 Mass in Full Dress Uniforms
- **Open House at Epiphany from 1:00-2:30.** Please tell your family, friends and neighbors to visit if they are interested in an option to public school
- ◆ **Tuesday, Nov. 14** - Student Council candidate speeches and election
- School Store open
- ◆ **Wednesday, Nov. 15** - **Spirit Wear Orders Due!**
- ◆ **Thursday, Nov. 16** - Boost for Grades 3, 4, & 5 **Pick up at 4:15-Main Door**
- Ensemble Practice **Pick up at 4:00 - Main Door**
- ◆ **Friday, Nov. 17** - 8:30 Mass First Friday
- **11:30 Early Dismissal**
- Family Movie Night - Fly Away Home

ALL ARE INVITED TO MEET BISHOP BURBIDGE

◆ Thursday, Dec. 14

Bishop Burbidge celebrates Epiphany Mass (9:00 a.m.), visits with students and has lunch with our teachers. 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/>

'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 at doors, as office is closed at 4:00.

ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

Though we strive for students to be at school every day, if a student has a fever or symptoms of a stomach virus (vomiting and/or diarrhea) they may not attend that day **AND MUST be fever and symptom free** of a contagious illness, **including above mentioned intestinal distress**, for a **full 24 hours, without any medication**, before returning to school. If placed on antibiotics for any contagious illness, 3 doses must be administered to attend.



CHRISTMAS PLAY AT PRECIOUS BLOOD



DATE CHANGE! Do you want to be in the Christmas play? Rehearsals are Saturday nights at 6:00, in the Church, beginning **November 11th**. Questions: contact Leslie Jones at leslifowler9@hotmail.com.