

The

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GOOD NEWS

CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL  WHITEHALL-COPLAY

Dear Christ the King Families,

They say time flies when you're having fun. I must really be having a lot of fun because time is certainly flying!! As I turned the October page on my calendar and remarked to myself how busy it had been – hardly a day wasn't written in for something – I thought I'd have a nice clean sheet to begin November. NOT! That page is already filling up! The second quarter will begin on November 9th and Report Cards for the first quarter will be distributed on November 16th. Parent conferences will be held on November 18th and 19th with Thanksgiving the following soon after on the 26th.

Also during this month, we will be celebrating the Feasts of All Saints on November 1st, All Souls on November 2nd, and our Patron, Christ the King, on Sunday November 22nd (our school celebration will take place on Monday November 23rd). Our Annual Thanksgiving Liturgy will take place on Monday November 23rd at 11:00 AM. Advent begins on Sunday November 29th. You can see why my November page is already inked up!

Please note the time change for our Liturgies on the November calendar. On All Souls' Day, November 2nd, grades 3 through 8 will attend Mass with the Parish at 8:00 AM. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation, so we will not be trying to get Kindergarten, First and Second grades to be ready that early! You will also note that all of our Monday Masses will begin at 11:00 AM from now on. With more people at Mass we seem to be rushing to get everyone to lunch on time and are not able to participate as fully as we would like.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in this year's Race for Education. The faculty, students and parents all had a great time despite some showers and it has once again been profitable for the school.

Our Awards Ceremony for the Race will be held on the morning of the Tuesday before Thanksgiving Break (November 24th). The Ceremony will begin in St. Peter Church Hall at 9:00 AM and will conclude at about 10:45 AM.

This month we also commemorate the 12th Anniversary of the Good News. We thank Mrs. Paula Horvath Yoo for donating her time and her expertise over these past years to help to keep our lines of communication flowing. Even though her girls have moved on to Central Catholic and Ursinus College, Paula still volunteers her time. Once you are a member of the Christ the King Family you are always a member! And we are very grateful for that!

I hope that you will have a wonderful November and a very happy Thanksgiving. Even though our lives are not perfect, we still have so much for which to be thankful.

God Bless you,
Irene M. Quigley M.Ed.
Principal



The 8th Grade would like to thank everyone who purchased baked goods. The proceeds will go toward the class trip and graduation.

Seventh grade students are hard at work collecting and identifying leaves for their leaf project in science class.

Eighth grade students are busy choosing their speeches. All students will present at least a two minute speech by December. Several students are choosing to prepare for the Declamation contest in the Spring. We can't wait to see them shine brightly!

STUDENT COUNCIL:

The Middle Building is filled with terrific posters made by our brave, creative candidates running for a Student Council office. The candidates presented their speeches to the students on Friday, Sept. 25. Elections were held immediately following the speeches. Our Student Council members are:

- President Kelsey Micklas
- Vice-President Morgan Reiss
- Treasurer Joseph Asbury
- Activities Director Ryan Craig
- Assistant Activities Director... Dan Lloyd

Congratulations to all who participated. Extra special congratulations to our officers. We are so proud of you.

Based on the results from the election, Faculty input, and Christian leadership shown in previous years, our Holy Childhood Association representatives are Dan Kier and Ella Gutman.

MISSION AND SERVICE

On Wednesday, Oct 14, Ella Gutman and Dan Kier attended the Holy Childhood Association Mission Conference at the St. John, Holy Trinity Education Center. During the Mass at St. John the Baptist, they were commissioned as HCA Mission Reps along with

many students from the Diocese. Ella and Dan also participated in conferences presented by missionaries and the Director of the HCA organization. Our sixth, seventh, and eighth grade classes sang as the choir for the Mission Mass. They were accompanied by Mrs. Poloni. Both Monsignor Murphy and Mrs. Zardet complimented our students for the beauty and spirit their music brought to the liturgy. This was a wonderful opportunity for our students to perform service to the missions and our Diocese. We also thank Mrs. Gutman, who accompanied Ella and Dan for the day.

DIOCESAN ART CONTEST 2009-10

Congratulations to the following students who will represent Christ the King in the Annual Diocesan Art Contest this year:

- K.....Ben LaFaver 4.....Joey Gallina
- 1Adam Strini 5.....Mollie Langan
- 2Paige Egan 6.....Gianni Sinatore
- 3Michael Greco 7.....Courtney Brodeur
- 8 Katrina lobst

Diocesan level winners will be honored at a "Celebration of The Arts" Awards Ceremony; future time and location to be announced at a later date. Good Luck To All Our Students!

FOOD DRIVE


Our annual Food Drive will run from Monday, November 9th to Friday, November 20th . The food will go to the Coplay Food Bank. They are in need of peanut butter, jelly, soup, mac n' cheese, cereal, oatmeal, canned meats, tuna, canned vegetables and fruits, baby food, formula, and diapers. (no glass please) Please check the dates on the packages. There is a box in each classroom.

FUNDRAISER UPDATES


REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS: CHECKS ONLY IS THE ACCEPTED METHOD OF PAYMENT FOR ALL FUNDRAISERS. THIS IS NECESSARY TO INSURE PROPER CREDIT TO YOUR FUNDRAISING ACCOUNT.

Please remember that late orders will not be accepted due to ordering deadlines. Also, if you choose to drop off your orders at school rather than send them in with your child, we ask that you please do so before 12 noon. Late orders will be returned to you. Please make sure that all information is complete and correct. The volunteer chairperson is not responsible for filling out needed information on returned forms. Please take a few minutes of your time to go over the forms before you turn them in. Thank you in advance for your attention to this very important matter.

Thank you to Lisa Yandrasitz for chairing the Classic Cookie and Coffee Fundraiser. We received a profit of \$1,497.60 and the Cohan Family was the top seller. Thanks to all who participated in this fundraiser.

Upcoming Fundraiser – Garden City Poinsettia Sale. More information to follow. 


SHOPPER CERTIFICATES

The week of Thanksgiving, please take note that Shopper's Certificates will be sold on MONDAY, Nov. 23 only. Please plan accordingly. The following week, certificates will be sold only on Wednesday, Dec. 2, and Friday, Dec. 4. School is closed on Monday, Nov. 30. Be sure to place orders for holiday gift certificates early! 


RACE FOR EDUCATION

A big "thank you" to all the families and friends who joined us for our Race for Education. We got a little wet, but hopefully everyone still had a good time. To date we have raised **\$24,791!** We are well on our way to another successful year. This day would never have run so smoothly without our committee of helpers: MarySue Cadman, Alison Fuschetto, Michelle Sinsky, Linda Poccia, Joe and Denise Heberling. Thank you also to all the parents who volunteered on the field and in the kitchen...we could not do it without you!!

A great big "THANKS" to all the students for their efforts with the letters and their spirit at the pep rally.

If you would like to submit any digital photos from the Race for Education to be used for the slide show presentation on Tuesday, Nov. 24, please send to Kelly Powell. Thank you. 

BOOK FAIR

The 2009 Scholastic Book Fair will be held the week of Nov. 9 –13. All proceeds benefit the CTK library. Specific time information will follow as we near the dates of the fair. Stop by to purchase some great books. 

Mark Your Calendar

Thursday

Nov. 19.....STRUDEL PICK-UP,
Ruffenach Hall –
2 P.M. - 6 P.M.

Monday

Nov. 16.....REPORT CARDS will be issued. It is very important that you as parents take the time to carefully review your child/ren's report cards.

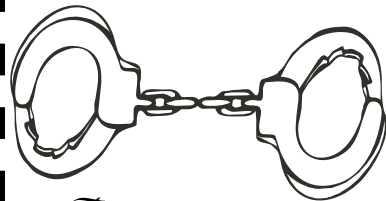
Wednesday and


Thursday**

Nov. 18 & 19....PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 1 P.M. - 5 P.M. and 6 P.M. - 8 P.M., and Thursday, Nov. 19 from 1 P.M. - 5 P.M. We will be time conscious in keeping with a 10 minute time allotment. If you feel you will need more time, we ask that you schedule an appointment with the individual teacher at another time. We ask everyone's patience and cooperation in this matter.
***Dismissal on Wednesday and Thursday will take place at 12 noon.*


Tuesday

Nov. 24.....RACE FOR EDUCATION ASSEMBLY – 9 A.M. - 11 A.M.



Thank you to everyone who helped to “bail” me out of the “lock-up” for MDA. My final totals aren’t in yet, but I will report to you via the Hot News on our website when the figures are finalized. The “jailers” were very kind and let me out on good behavior so I could come home to Christ the King School. 


CTK ROSARY CLUB

Thank you to the ctk rosary club for providing the teachers and staff with a delicious and lovingly prepared homemade soup lunch. We enjoyed it and all the extras. God Bless You! Please continue to keep us in your prayers to our Blessed Mother. The Rosary Group meets weekly to pray for our CTK family and our special intentions. For more information or your special intention please contact Aimee Langan. 

HOLIDAY SANTA SHOP


WEDNESDAY - DEC.16

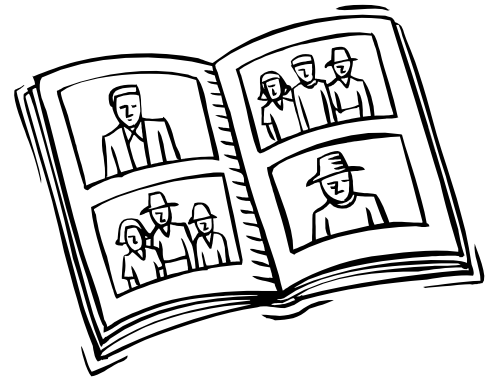
(PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE 2009-2010 CALENDAR YOU RECEIVED IN THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

Details will be sent home at a later date. If you are available to help on any of this date please contact Kelly Powell. 




PICTURES FOR THE YEARBOOK

Please send any photos to be considered for publication in the 2009-2010 yearbook to Mrs. Siebler. Pictures of Fall/beginning of the year events (Race for Education, parties, field trips, special events, Fall sports) should be received by the first week of December. (although I will accept pictures after this date). ALL pictures must be received by FEB. 15 , in order to meet the publisher’s deadline. Parents and those involved in CYO, please coordinate your efforts to ensure that all team pictures are submitted by the February deadline. ALL photographs need to be digital and received on disk. Please mark the disk with name and grade. They will be returned to you at the end of May. Thank you for your cooperation! 



LIGHT THE NIGHT UPDATE

I would like to thank all the Christ the King families, faculty, and students who participated in and donated to the October Light the Night Walk. I hope it was a great experience for everyone. Your support was for a great cause.

Team Nick had 36 walkers and raised \$1,156 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. 



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