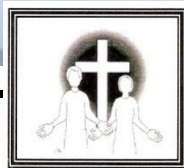


Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School

Parents and School in Partnership with God and Academics



FEBRUARY/MARCH AT A GLANCE

Feb. 20	School Closed – President’s Day
Feb. 21	Recorder Club A & B 2:30-3:30 p.m. Color Day .50 cents
Feb. 22	ASH WEDNESDAY Odyssey of the Mind 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Feb. 23	Recorder Club A & B 2:30-3:30 p.m. Newspaper Club 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Feb. 27	Service Club 2:30-3:45 p.m. Math Club 2:30-3:15 p.m.
Feb. 28	Recorder Club A & B 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Feb. 29	Odyssey of the Mind 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Mar. 1	CHS Club 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Mar. 5	Service Club 2:30-3:35 p.m.
Mar. 6	Recorder Club A & B 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Mar. 8	Newspaper Club 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Mar. 12	Service Club & Math Club 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Mar. 13	Recorder Club A & B 2:30-3:30 p.m. ART SHOW 6:30 P.M.
Mar. 14, 15, 16	COGNITIVES – Gr. 3 & 5

COGNITIVE ABILITIES TEST

Once again students in 3rd and 5th grades will be taking the Cognitive Abilities test starting March 14-16. The Cognitives assess general reasoning skills related to learning and problem solving. The test provides teachers reliable information on individual differences among students in their development of verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal reasoning skills that are necessary to succeed in the classroom. Remember to be certain your child has a restful sleep and has a healthy breakfast during each testing session.

Current Events

LENT

Usually every year we begin our planning for Lent by attempting to decide what to give up. For many people it becomes a matter of deciding what to sacrifice. Sacrifice appears to be in order to indicate that we are preparing for the celebration of Easter. While giving up soda, sweets, favorite television programs or video games are good, we should also strive to improve our relationship with Jesus. By doing this we are not only giving up soda, candy, etc., but we are adding “one” – improving our relationship with Jesus. Service to Jesus can go beyond Lent and become a habit just as soda or sweets may be a habit for some. Improving our relationship with Jesus can be easily achieved by developing prayer habits, saying the Rosary, reading the Bible or studying the Saints. As we know, repeating prayers, reading religious material or practicing any religion-related practice, if repeated a sufficient number of times can become a habit.

Finally, it is important to note our students are involved daily in religion classes, attend Church every Thursday and on a school wide basis recite prayers three times a day. However, if the rituals are not deeply imbedded, and have not become habitual, over a period of time such as during the course of the summer, the relationship with Jesus may wane.

CANDY SALE

Currently a parent is conducting our annual pre-Easter candy sale. Once again the candy on sale will be Gertrude Hawk and Callie’s Candies. As is customary, the sale is on a voluntary basis. However, any profit realized from the sale is utilized to subsidize the need of our school. Hence, all students benefit from the funds raised by this project.