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Julie Rader

7th Grade

Victoria Sinchi, Meaghan Breyfogle

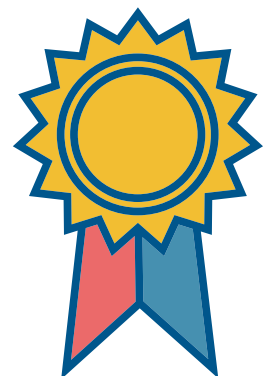
8th Grade

Hayley Breyfogle, Sofia Bruno, Emilia Cascapera, Theresa Collorafi, Kalea
Crawford, Rihanna DeFreitas, Emilio Granados, Amber Korcz, Isabella Lukic

FUN FACTS ABOUT WINTER!

Written by: Emilia Cascapera

- IT SOMETIMES SNOWS WHERE YOU LEAST EXPECT IT
- SNOWFLAKES COME IN ALL SIZES
- A LITTLE WATER CAN ADD UP TO A LOT OF SNOW
- SNOW FALLS AT 1 TO 6 FEET PER SECOND
- THE EARTH IS CLOSEST TO THE SUN DURING THE WINTER
- MORE THAN 22 MILLION TONS OF SALT ARE USED ON U.S. ROADS EACH WINTER
- THE SNOWIEST CITY ON EARTH IS IN JAPAN
- SOMETIMES SNOWBALLS FORM THEMSELVES
- WET SNOW IS BEST FOR SNOWMAN-BUILDING, ACCORDING TO SCIENCE
- SNOWFLAKES AREN'T ALWAYS UNIQUE



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

written by: Isabella Lukic, Rihanna DeFreitas, Amber Korcz, Kalea Crawford, Emilia Cascapera, Joseph Onate & Theresa Collorafi

Catholic Schools Week is a week of fun for Catholic School students across the nation. This year's Catholic Schools Weeks virtues are Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed. In Catholic Schools Week the students get to have fun together. This year's catholic schools week at St. Columbanus had the Open House, Reading Buddies, Ice Cream Social, Crazy Hat and Sock day, Abrakadoodle, and the seventh and eighth grade versus faculty knockout tournament. Throughout the week the grades battled it out in the Penny War, where the prize was a dress down day and donut party. This week is full of fun and excitement for all student

Sunday:

Every Catholic Schools week starts with the Open House. There is a presentation for the Open House in our very own Church on Sunday. After the presentation at the Church, the Open House occurred at the school. The Open House gave the parents a chance to see how our school works and it allows them to get to know all the staff at the school as well. The Open House had a great turnout and we have a great of new students into Kindergarten next year.

Monday:

Reading buddies is an experience for upperclassmen to help lower classmen read. The two grades can share in the love of a good book, and spreading the love of reading throughout the school. Each class is paired with another class and they indulged in a good book.

Tuesday:

The Ice Cream Social, the most looked forward to event of Catholic Schools Week for some students, is on Wednesday the 29th of January. It is when all of the students come into the gym, get ice cream, and sit down at the tables provided to talk to their friends. The ice cream flavor was vanilla, and the toppings were sweets like gummy bears, cherries, whipped cream, and sprinkles.

Wednesday:

Crazy Hat and Sock Day is one of the most fun days in Catholic Schools Week. Students wear their craziest hats and socks for a whole day and are unified in doing something fun.

Thursday:

On the Thursday of Catholic Schools Week we had guests from Abrakadoodle come over and inspire our students to create a masterpiece. Students young and old enjoyed this amazing program. On Monday the 24th of February, students were able to express their inner creativity in the Abrakadoodle after-school program. This program will be hosted on Mondays after school!!

Friday:

Friday, January 31st, was Saint Columbanus's annual knockout tournament. Grades eight and seven (joined by some of the sixth grade) competed first. Sixth and Seventh grades won, which meant they got to play against the teachers and staff. It was a close game, but the staff ended up victorious!





WORD SEARCH

created by Kalea Crawford & Hayley Breyfogle

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**FIREWORKS NEW YEARS
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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SLED
SLEEP SNOW
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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

written by Theresa Collorafi and Rihanna DeFreitas

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is the day that we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s birth and what he fought for. Martin Luther King Jr. was an inspirational man who fought for racial equality and gave the famous "I Have a Dream" speech. He organized many peaceful protests, and his most famous march is the March on Washington. Martin Luther King Jr. was an inspiration to all by teaching us that change can happen, no matter how impossible it may seem.



LENT

written by Amber Korcz

Lent is the season where we remember that Jesus suffered, died, and rose to new life to save us from sin. It starts on Wednesday, February 26 on Ash Wednesday and it ends on Thursday, April 9. During this time, we grow closer to one another and Jesus through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. The color of this season is purple.

VALUES INFUSION PROGRAM

written by Rihanna DeFreitas & Amber Korcz

For the month of January, the virtue was perseverance, which is shown when we focus on how God helps us persevere in every circumstance. We keep our faith strong in God and never give up on Him or on any of our goals.

February: charity & love
Charity and love enables us to properly love God and each other. With these virtues, we can continue being Christians devoted to our faith as we work on making sure that we live our life with these characteristics

March: mercy
Mercy is compassion or forgiveness shown toward someone who has the power to harm or punish. We can all develop our ability to show mercy to everything during this month and during season Lent for appreciation to what Jesus did for us.

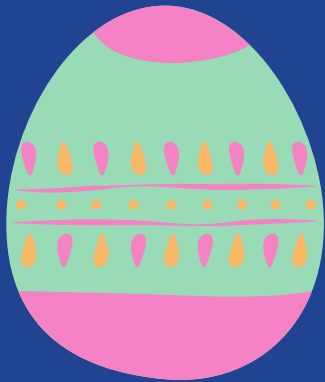
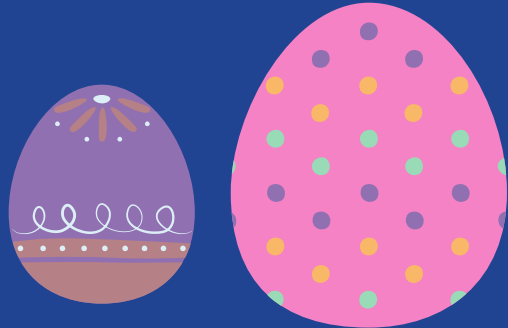
UPCOMING INFORMATION

written by Emilio Granados

March is a short month with a few fun events.
March 2nd is Read Across America where many classes will be celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday by participating in reading based activities.
On March 19 we have our annual variety show. Students are able to audition starting March 2nd to get a part in the show. Students are very excited to perform in front of the parents.
During the last week of March grades 3 through 8 take the NYS ELA exams. We wish all our students the best of luck!
March is an exciting month for all grades! We are excited to see everyone's amazing skills!

January: Perseverance
Pre-K- Sofia Loja
K- Victoria Monico
Grade 1- Noah Romero
Grade 2- Myles Galiber
Grade 3- Dylan Diedrich
Grade 4- Lucas Limage
Grade 5- Luis Romero
Grade 6- Kayode Nubi
Grade 7- Xair Lesende
Grade 8- Emilio Granados

February: Charity & Love
Pre-K- Isabelle Ziadie
K- Lucas Vazquez
Grade 1- Madesh Swamikrishnan
Grade 2- Lillynn Byndloss
Grade 3- Miah Goodman
Grade 4- Karen Reed
Grade 5- Naima Louis-Jean
Grade 6- Ava Bruno
Grade 7- Victoria Sinchi
Grade 8- Sofia Bruno



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