

Annunciation School Newsletter

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Commit to the LORD your way; trust in him, and he will act. Psalm 37:5

Dear Parents,

There's always something fun for the children to look forward to here at Annunciation and this month is no exception. We have two fun events – **Penny Wars and Cupcake Contest** – in the upcoming weeks. There are flyers in this newsletter with the details of both of these events. Sponsored by the Service Club, **Penny Wars** has the classes competing against each other through 2/28 to raise money for Waterleaf Women's Center. The winning class from each building will receive a special treat on me. Student Council is sponsoring a **Cupcake Contest** on Monday 2/24. Students can decorate 8-12 cupcakes to be voted on by the classes. Children can bring in quarters to cast their vote, similar to how we did the pumpkin contest in the fall.

Thank you to the families who have already turned in their WALK-A-THON 2020 packet. Remember we are looking for each family to complete the spreadsheet by listing the names of relatives, friends, employers, dentists/doctors, neighbors, etc. that your child(ren) could send a letter to asking for a monetary donation for our school. These letters are signed and mailed from school so this requires nothing from our parents, besides turning in the spreadsheet located in the packet. Return your packet with the names of 18 possible sponsors by 2/19 so your child(ren) can have a free dress down day on 2/28. The class with the highest participation percentage will earn an ice cream party on that same day. Also, all students get a FREE t-shirt to wear the day of the walk, so please go onto School Speak to order your child(ren)'s Walk-a-Thon t-shirt.

Last week, you received an email from TADS with your **REGISTRATION** agreement for the 2020-2021 school year. Please complete your agreement and make your registration fee payment by February 28, 2020 to hold your child(ren)'s spot for next year. Please contact the school office if you did not receive your agreement or if you have questions regarding it.

Thank you for your cooperation with the two early dismissals we had yesterday and last month. There never seems to be enough time for us to gather as a whole staff. Both afternoons were very productive in preparing for our self-study next month and discussing school improvement topics.

Finally, I am happy to announce that the remodel of our STEM Lab is 100% complete! Manny Juarez recently completed the electrical upgrades and installation of the sink, and we added some colorful fabric on the walls to tie together the new furniture and fixture selections. Mrs. Lisa Brouch and her 8th grade science class recently christened the new lab with their egg car activity. Teams of students had to create a car that an egg could travel in without breaking down a ramp, skillfully built by Mrs. Brouch's husband. The teams had \$20 with which to purchase various items to build the car from a list provided by the teacher, then they tested each egg car by sending it down the ramp

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer Wardynski



There will be an 8:00 mass on Thursday, February 13, but grades 1, 3, 5, and 7 are not required to attend.



Hot Lunch Day in February is on Tuesday, February 18 and is from Jake's Bagels. Please place your order on SchoolSpeak ASAP. Orders will only be accepted today and tomorrow.



<u>IF YOU WISH TO ORDER HOT LUNCH FROM JAKE'S BAGELS FOR</u> YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN, YOU MUST DO SO BY TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 13!



Annunciation's Home and School Committee and Culver's of North Aurora present "Scoopie" Night **TONIGHT.** Please see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information. There will be a prize for the class that has the best representation, so be sure to sign in!

We are seeing an increase in the number of students who have been diagnosed with either influenza B or strep. Please remember that when a child is sick, he/she should not return to school until he/she has been fever free and has not vomited for at least

24 hours. Please report all cases of influenza B or strep to the office. Thank you.



Reminder there is <u>no school on Friday, February 14</u>. Teachers will be attending an in-service for the full day. Students will have Valentine's Day parties on Thursday. There is also no school on Monday, February 17 due to President's Day.



If you bought a Dress Down Pass for your child/ren at the Tradition of Excellence fundraiser, tomorrow, Thursday, February 13 is the last day it can be used. Tomorrow is not a dress down day unless a student has a pass.



Calling all Jr. High Actors and Actresses!

Tryouts for our Jr. High Spring Play: Tryouts for The Emperor's New Clothes!, which will be presented on May 15 and 16, will take place on February 18 and 20 from 3:10-4:30 in the 4th Grade classroom. Students need only be present on one of the dates. For more information, please contact Mrs. Nies at mnies@annunciationbym.org. Hope to see you there!

Don't forget to turn in your money for the Daddy Daughter Dance on February 28. The dance is open to all girls. There will be raffles, dancing, and lots of fun. Money needs to be turned in by Thursday, Feb 13. Please see the attachment at the end of the newsletter.







Student Council is sponsoring a Valentine's Dance for the seventh and eighth grade students. The dance will be tomorrow, Thursday, February 13 from 6 – 8 pm. The theme is "Cupid Has Bad Aim". The cost is \$5 or \$4 with a canned good. This will be a great way to kick off the long weekend! We hope to see all of the seventh and eighth graders there.

Student Council will be sponsoring the Creative Cupcake Contest on Monday, February 24. See the flyer attached to this newsletter for all of the details. We are looking forward to seeing all of the amazing entries! Remember to bring money so you can vote and buy some cupcakes after school that day.



Home & School reminder to all school families - the following two items are due by next Wednesday, February 19:



1. Complete and/or update the sponsor forms that sent home with the Walk-athon packet last week. Return them to the office inside your manila envelope. Remember 18 or more sponsors earns your student(s) a free dress down day and makes your family eligible for a Visa Gift card raffle.

2. Student t-shirt orders should be placed on SchoolSpeak

Keep checking the newsletter in the weeks ahead for updated Walk-a-thon student and family eligible prize details.

We have started to register new families for the 2020/21 school year. If you have a child that is not currently enrolled at Annunciation, and you plan to enroll him/her at Annunciation for 2020/2021, please call the office and inform us so we can save a place for him/her. This is especially important if you are planning to register a preschool student next year. Also, if you know for any reason that your child/ren will not be returning to Annunciation next year, please let us know. Thank you.

It's time to start getting ready for the Talent Show and Talent Showcase! Both events will be held on Thursday, March 26. The Talent Showcase will be open for visitors to enjoy beginning at 5:30. To make your evening easier, the Service Club will be serving pizza with all of the proceeds being donated to a worthy cause. The Talent Show will begin at 6:30. Sign-up sheets to participate in both events are attached to this newsletter. Please share your talents and make this a great evening!

Manna Workers:

Thursday, February 13 Kim Becker

There are no other volunteers for the rest of February or March.

Patrol Schedule – Week of February 17

Morning: Will Schwartz and Abby Watermann

Afternoon: Joe Winkel, Caitlin Stephan, Gilyan Shankle, and Jess Seaton



Server Schedule:

Thursday, Feb. 13	8:00 a.m.	Brooke Feltes	Lily Helfer	
Saturday, Feb. 15	5:15 p.m.	Zach Hultgren	Ben Hultgren	
Sunday, Feb. 16	7:30 a.m.	Eddie Vera	Aidan Baer	
	8:45 a.m.	Danielle Tranchita	Lauren Tranchita	
	10:00 a.m.	Chelsea Hirner	J. Hirner	
	11:30 a.m.	Isabella Alvarado	Elly Tuma	
Tuesday, Feb. 18	8:00 a.m.	Delaney Hefke	Anna Hefke	
Wednesday, Feb. 19	8:45 a.m.	Ian Roskuszka	Austin Baloun	

Annunciation School & Culver's Present

SCOOPIE MIGHT!



Come join us on
February 12, 2020
Culver's of North Aurora
will donate a % of ALL
SALES to
From 5pm to 8pm
Please present this flyer
at time of purchase

Come on in to your local Culver's restaurant:

Culver's of North Aurora 411 S. Lincolnway, North Aurora, IL, 60542 (630) 844-2280

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January 31, 2020

Dear Annunciation Parents:

As educators and parents, we are continually striving to obtain the best quality education for our students. To achieve a high standard at an affordable cost for every family, we rely on various goal-based fundraisers. As you may recall, we had a very successful Walk-a-thon in 2018. We were able to purchase a digital sign displayed outside our school and new laptops for all the teachers.

The Home & School Board will be hosting the 7th Biennial Walk-a-thon as a source of fundraising. Our major goal this year is to raise enough money to purchase new processors for the computer lab, in addition to continuing our quest to add air conditioning units throughout the Upper building. Our school will be conducting the Walk-a-thon for Annunciation on **Wednesday, April 29, 2020**. We hope to have 100% of our families participating in the event! Here's how it works:

- The Walk-a-thon program solicits donations from sponsors through mail. Our children do NOT go door to door to ask for donations. In this way, Walk-a-thon allows us to integrate language art skills and physical fitness with an important family fun activity at Annunciation School.
- We pay no fees to any fundraising company to run this program. It is run by a staff of volunteers who are willing to give their time and talent to make it successful. Again, all the proceeds from this event go directly to the Home & School Association and benefit all of our children!
- Prizes will be given to students as incentives to participate and the class with the highest participation percentage will win an additional prize.
- A small commitment of your time will result in a large benefit for our school children. As parents, you will be asked to go through your address book/contact lists and supply the Home & School Association with the names and addresses of potential sponsors. These addresses will **NOT** be used for any other solicitations. Then, at school, students will fill out personal mailers to each of those potential sponsors listed on their address sheets. Each student will ask sponsors to contribute a tax-deductible gift based on a flat donation amount. The Home & School Association will then mail out the letters. Any sponsor who chooses to participate simply must return the form along with their donation check directly to the school, or donate online through the school website. Any amount of donation can be given. Matching corporate donations and sponsorships will also help us meet our fundraising goal. On the day of the event, students and staff will walk or jog around a predetermined race path as many times as possible in a one-hour time.
- On February 5th, each student will be coming home with a packet of information about the April 29thth, 2020 Walk for Annunciation. Please review the information carefully.

Your participation is critical to the success of this program! If you have any questions, please contact any member of the Home & School Association. We are looking forward to a very successful Walk for Annunciation. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Your Home & School Association

Jolyce Seifrid, President 773-865-7229 Stephanie Schuster, Secretary 630-885-2796 Angie Eilermann, Board Member 630-853-2386 Colleen Hefke, Board Member 630-660-6478 Camille Dulceak, Vice President 630-334-3854 Nydia Seaton, Treasurer 630-881-5573 Jean Wessels, Board Member 630-508-0011 Jeune Winkel, Board Member 630-391-1712

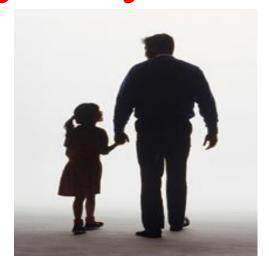


Current Prize and Incentive List

As incentives for our children to participate in the Annunciation Walk-a-thon, the following is a current list of prizes and rewards to date. As we receive more sponsorships and prize donations, we will add to the list below. Please check the school newsletter & website for updates.

- Each Student will receive a FREE Walk-A-Thon Day T-shirt just for participating.
- Submit 18 or more sponsor names per family and earn an "out of uniform" pass to be used on February 28th and your name to be entered in a raffle for a \$100 Visa Gift Card!
- For every \$25 in sponsor donations received per family earns one raffle ticket to be entered in a drawing. Winner will receive a family prize – TBD.
- Bring in the highest dollar amount of donations as a family and win an overnight package – location and details TBD!
- Bring in the second highest dollar amount of donations as a family and win a day or night out – location and details TBD!
- Bring in the third highest dollar amount of donations as a family and win 6 general admission passes to Morton Arboretum.
- For all Families that turn in their Walk-A-Thon Packets by <u>February 19th</u> will be entered in a raffle for a Gift Card Basket.
- Support your class and participate by returning your sponsor sheet! The
 class with the highest % of sponsor sheets returned will earn a free Ice
 Cream Sundae party and dress down day February 28th. In the event of
 a tie, a drawing will be held to determine the winner!

Daddy Daughter Dance



Friday February 28, 2020
7:00 – 9:00 in the Annunciation Gym
Cost: \$15.00 per Family
Hosted by Home and School

Please join us for an evening of dancing, raffles, and fun! Girls, bring along your dad, grandfather, uncle, or special someone to join you!

Please fill out the form below and return it to Madelynn Miller in the 3rd grade by Thursday February 13th. Please make checks payable to Annunciation School.

Questions?? Contact Erika Miller at erikamiller2255@gmail.com

Name of Girl(s) and Her/Their Date:	
Grade of Girl(s) Attending:	

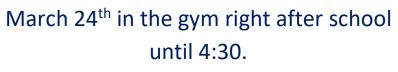
Checks should be made payable for \$15 to Annunciation School and returned to Madelynn Miller (3rd Grade) by Thursday February 13th.

Annunciation's Got Talent

March 26th at 6:30 in the gym

Come share your talent with everyone!

Please fill this form out and return to the office. First practice will be March 19th in the gym right after school until 4:30. I will need music sent to me by this date! Dress rehearsal will be





Name(s)			
What you will be doing			

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Jungels at jjungels@annunciationbvm.org.

Earn a FREE JUNE Admission to Raging Waves Waterpark this Summer!



Three easy steps for kids in Kindergarten through 3th grade to get started:

Sign 18 Ask your teacher (or your PE teacher) for a fitness log and start keeping track of your exercise starting February 10th. Color in one item on the fitness log for every 30 minutes you exercise.

Sign 28 After you have completed 25 hours of exercise, turn in your completed fitness log to your teacher by April 6th. Don't forget to have mom and dad sign it!

Sign 38 Get your exclusive Raging Waves discounts from your teacher before the end of May. Come out to Raging Waves and PICK ONE of the following offers: ONE FREE admission ticket valid JUNE ONLY (5/30/20 - 06/30/20) or a \$10 OFF discount on a one day admission (07/01/20 - 09/07/20).

Join the "Plunge Into Fitness" program today.

It's simple... and fun!









Februray 10 - April 6

Exercise 30 minutes per day for a total of 25 hours. You can do any kind of exercise: walking, biking, playing team sports, swimming, skateboarding, jumping rope....

ragingwaves.com

Located South of 1-88 on IL Rt. 47 in Yorkville



Please return your completed log to your teacher by Monday, April 6, 2020.

What types of exercise did you do?

Student's First Name

Last Name

Grade

Parent's Signature

Date

Teacher's Name

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To support Waterleaf's



Baby Bottles for Life

Here is how to play:

- Put lots of pennies in the jar for your grade!
- ➤ Put some coins or dollar bills in the jars for other grades! Every silver coin or dollar cancels out an equivalent number of pennies from that jar. (For example: if you put a quarter in another jar, it means that 25 of their pennies won't count towards their total.)

The teachers have a jar too.....are you going to let them win? No way!

The contest lasts until February 28

The class in each building with the most pennies that still count will be awarded a class prize from Mrs. Wardynski.



All of the money collected will be given to Waterleaf Women's Center.

So the real winners will definitely be the parents who feel our love and their precious, tiny babies!







Get ready for Annunciation's



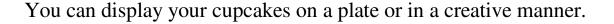
CREATIVE CUPCAKE CONTEST



Decorate and display 8-15 cupcakes.

Be creative!

It will be Mardi Gras that week, so we invite you to use that as your inspiration. However, you may choose any theme for decorating.





First, second, and third place prizes will be awarded

The contest date is Monday, February 24

Bring all cupcake entries to the upper building lobby before school.

The cupcakes will be on display in the STEM lab.

All classes will have a chance to see all the cupcakes and vote.

Bring quarters to vote for your favorite cupcakes!

After school, we will sell the cupcakes at each building for 50 cents each.