

# SCHOOL NEWS



St. John the Baptist Catholic School Newsletter



## Mark Your Calendar!

- March 4: Gertrude Hawk and Butter Braid Orders Due
- March 4/5: Lifetouch **Preschool** Picture Days
- March 6: Ash Wednesday, Mass 9 AM
- March 8: Half Day of School, Dismissal at Noon
- March 9: 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Penance 10 AM
- March 10: PTO Meeting at 10:15 AM - School Library  
Open House 12:30 - 2PM for New Families
- March 12: Biztown for Grades 5&6
- March 14: Prayer service for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade families at 6:15
- March 15: First Lenten Fish Dinner
- March 16: Grade 1 Retreat Day 9:30 AM - Noon
- March 18: Mission Day for Cancer Research  
St. Baldrick's Day
- March 26: Penance Service
- March 28: Penance Service;  
Grade 2 Parent Meeting for First Communion 6:15

**Week of March 25: Cogat Testing for Grades 3 & 5. Please be sure that your child gets adequate rest and a good breakfast!**

## From the Principal's Desk...

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. Our students will attend Mass that day instead of Friday that week. The student council has asked the children to think about a sacrifice that they could do during Lent again this year. The notes should be in their backpacks if you haven't seen them, and they are hoping that more children will join in this activity this year. The children could do an extra chore or something for a relative or neighbor or even give up something special, like video games or treats. Please help them do something extra during this Lenten season so they can begin to understand the sacrifice our Lord made for us.



# Student Activities, Challenges and Accomplishments!



Morgan Campbell was the Faith Bee Winner. Jaelynn Cromedy and Bernadette McLain were the runners-up. Great Job!



**Dodgeball Competition!**  
The Sixth grade students took on the St. John's staff in a friendly game of dodgeball. All were able to duck, dip, dive and dodge the ball. Fun was had by all who watched and played!



**Claire's Gourmet Cash Grab!** Students that sold 10 or more Claire's Gourmet items from our fall fundraiser were entered in a drawing for the cash grab in the Money Machine. Evan Waltemire was the lucky winner and was able to grab \$17 in 30 seconds. Evan also was the top seller and won a \$50 gift card. Congratulations, Evan!



Good Information!



### Make-up Day

We have only 4 built in snow days in our school calendar and have missed 5 at this point. We will be making up one of the days on the Wednesday before Easter Break, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

### Financial Aid

In addition to financial aid through SCRIP, our school offers 3 different financial aid applications. 1. The Knights of St. Paul's will again be offering financial aid to one of our families. You may pick up that scholarship form from the office and it is due back to the office by April 1<sup>st</sup>. 2. The Financial Aid applications from Neumann are due to FACTS no later than April 15<sup>th</sup>. 3. Our school scholarship applications are also due at that time. That date is firm and no applications will be accepted after that date. Please be sure to include all required tax documentation. Incomplete applications will not be considered for financial aid.

### Mission Day for Cancer Research

Our Mission Day for March is for the Hope Cancer foundation. Traditionally, we have had students and parents shave their heads as part on our Faith, family and fun day, but it seems to get lost in the busyness of that day. This year, we decided to celebrate it on St. Baldrick's day, the patron saint for cancer patients. We will be sending home a flyer for anyone interested in participating and raising funds for this event. As always, we thank you for your tremendous support!

### Third Grade Easter Project

The Third grade will be putting Easter Basket together for all of the shut-ins in our parish. We are looking for donations of small baskets (maybe could hold 4 eggs), grass or plastic eggs. Please do not go out and buy any, but if you have any you will not use and can donate, that would be much appreciated.



## Principal's Awards



Kate Benesch: for helping a teacher stack chairs so they wouldn't fall

Easton Kanatzar: for helping in his homeroom to put chairs away

Fiona Yingling: for helping a friend clean up a lunch spill without anyone asking her to do so.

