

Our Lady of Lourdes School Newsletter

May 20, 2011

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Dates to Remember:

Monday, May 23rd – Backwards Free Dress
Tuesday, May 24th – Twins Day
Wednesday, May 25th – Super Hero Day
Thursday, May 26th – Crazy Hair Day – in
Uniform - Rally
Pre Kindergarten Graduation 6 pm
Friday, May 27th – Mass 9 am
Altar Server training 4:30 pm
at the Church
Saturday, May 28th – 8th Grade Graduation
5 pm Mass
Monday, May 30th - Holiday
Tuesday, May 31st – Kindergarten field trip

Upcoming events:

Wednesday, June 1st – Mini Olympics
Thursday, June 2nd – School picnic
Friday, June 3rd – Last Day of School
12 pm dismissal – no extended

1. Spring Testing

The results of the spring testing will come home with your children today. If you have any questions and are unsure of the meaning of the testing, please contact your child's teacher.

2. Summer School

Summer School packets are available in the school office. If you are interested please pick up a packet. The information is on the web site. Summer school is for any students entering Kindergarten through those entering 8th. The dates are June 13th through July 15th.

3. Spring Pictures

We need spring picture packets returned by Monday of next week. If pictures or money are not returned the \$44.00 picture packet charge per child will be added to your tuition bill.

4. Fire Works Sign Ups

The completed work/shift sheet is attached. Please check the times you have been scheduled. Please note that there are a few places that people are needed. Please remember to call if you are unable to keep your shift as soon as possible.

5. Lands' End/Dennis Uniforms

We do have catalogues and flyers from both companies for uniforms in the school office.

6. Yearbooks

We have 40 people who have not ordered yearbooks and we only have 10 books left.

Dear Parents,

On Saturday evening, May 28th seven of our students will graduate from Our Lady of Lourdes School. This will be a memorial time for the students and their families as they transition from our Catholic elementary school to high school. Five of our students will be moving on to public high school and two of our students will move on to Catholic high school. These seven students have been an integral part of our school family and we will miss them.

Please congratulate Emily Corriea, Raul Granados, Kendra Hester, Josh Hickel, Ximena Moreno, Aaron Silva, and Branden Woodring.

Please pray for our graduates that they never forget the spiritual foundation that they have received from their parents and their teachers here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Yours in Christ,


Barbara Genera



7. Parent Hours/Fundraising

Statements went home on Tuesday, May 17th. If any corrections need to be made, please contact Mrs. Dana Dunn in the school office immediately before Thursday, May 26th. Remember that the items on the back of the orange cover letter can be used to complete any balances due. Final statements for all those who have balances due will come home again on the 27th of May. If you do not have any balance due you will not receive a statement.

8. Scholarship Applications

Some of our families who will expect to receive tuition assistance have not yet filed their information with Facts Tuition Aid service. Some families have applied, but have not sent all the information to Facts for verification. You will not be called for an appointment until Facts verifies all of your information.

9. Tuition/Extended Statements

All statements must be paid in full before students can receive their report cards. Please check with the school office for any amount due. Those owing for hours or fundraising would also be expected to have those paid or an agreement to do hours with Mrs. Genera before report cards will be given.

10. Student Council 2011-12

Attached to this newsletter are our new members for the Student Council next year. We thank all of our students who turned in applications. We were able to place all students who applied on the Student Council.

11. Lenten Collections for the Heifer International Project

During the season of Lent, students and staff at Our Lady of Lourdes School collected funds to benefit Heifer International. The Student Council Service Committee organized the fundraiser for this amazing organization that receives donations to help children and families around the world receive training and animal gifts that help them become self-reliant. Animals that are given to these less fortunate people are used to sustain villages through their meat and byproducts, including fur, wool, milk and eggs.

Each class kept a collection basket on their prayer table where students were able to deposit money from home. The fifth and sixth grade class prepared rice bowls on two Fridays during Lent and offered these to the student body for a \$1.00 donation. The money raised went into the class's collection. Josh Hickel, an eighth grader, generously donated nearly \$250.00 that he raised through a recycling project to his class's collection. The third and fourth grade class raised the most money, donating over \$260.00 to the purchase of animals.

Over all, \$944.94 was raised to purchase two sheep, two pigs, one goat, six sets of three chicks, one set of three geese, one set of three ducks and three "flocks of hope" containing chicks, ducklings and goslings. The Service Committee thanks all those who participated for helping Our Lady of Lourdes School pass on the gift of self-reliance for a thriving world.

By the Student Council Publicity Committee

12. May Crowning

On Friday, May 6th students and staff at Our Lady of Lourdes School joined with parents, grandparents, parish members and Father Arbel in a procession around the school grounds, culminating in the crowning of Mary at Mass. Students arrived at school that day with fresh flowers from their gardens. The seventh and eighth grade class, along with the altar servers for the morning's Mass, led the procession to each classroom where students joined the line, carrying their flowers for Mary.

As the line of over 75 participants entered St. Bernadette's Hall, flowers were placed at the foot of Mary, a small token of our admiration for the mother of Jesus. A banner marking the May Crowning event at Our Lady of Lourdes School was placed on display, while Father Arbel and others processed into Mass. During the celebration of Mass, a crown of silk roses was placed on the head of Mary by eighth grader Emily Corriea. Eighth grade students Kendra Hester, Josh Hickel and Branden Woodring read essays they had written, telling the crowd what Mary meant to them. Following Mass, flowers were placed at the foot of Mary, who stands in the grotto built this year near the school office, and others were placed in vases on

the prayer tables in each classroom in honor of the Virgin Mother of God.

By the Student Council Publicity Committee

13. Washington DC

Our 6th and 7th grade students have the opportunity to travel to Washington DC next spring. Remember that all those who register before June 1st will receive a discounted rate. Parents or Grandparents are also invited to travel with students.

14. Needs for 2011-2012

School Advisory Commission

One of our School Advisory Commission members will be graduating out of our school and we need a replacement. If anyone is interested in serving on the School Advisory Commission please contact Mrs. Genera, Juan Silva, or Jeff Moresco. The School Advisory Commission meets once a month on a weekday evening. The members are advisory in nature to the pastor and principal. The committee is an integral part in helping with fundraising for the school and in leading our marketing, finance, facilities, and mission effectiveness committees.

Boys Basketball Coaches

We are looking now for men to coach our boys basketball team for next school year. Knowing that is sometimes hard to make a daily commitment we would like to see this task shared by two or three men or women so that there is always one person at practice and the games. This is a volunteer position that can fulfill hours.

Don't forget to save your General Mills Box Tops for Education and you Campbell's soup label points. Drop them off at the school office or send them with your student.

Preview

Mrs. Hester – K:

Next week is Patriotic Week! Every day will have a special theme and that is what sharing should reflect. Monday-The American Flag; Tuesday-George Washington; Wednesday-Abraham Lincoln; Thursday-Bald Eagle; Friday-Liberty Bell. Students can bring pictures or other items pertaining to the topic. We will be representing the United States in OLL's Mini-Olympics on June 1st. Get your red, white and blue ready! Please don't forget to send in money and signed permission slips for the zoo and Fairy Tale Town!

Mrs. Croghan 1st:

English Test will be May 25th.

Mrs. Walsh-2nd:

There is a copy of our Spirit Week information in all of the white envelopes. The dress-up days should be a lot of fun! If your child has a summer birthday and you would like to celebrate at school, please see me ASAP so we can choose a day. We will be taking our science test next Friday, May 27th. Study materials should be in the green science folders. Our class will be representing Italy the following week at the Mini-Olympics. If you are interested in helping to sell the ice-cream cups that day, please let me know.

Ms. Arias-3rd/4th:

In religion the class has been working in groups creating a three act play which focuses on Pentecost. They will be performing their plays in class at the end of next week. Our literature unit will come to an end on Monday, May 23. The unit book report (comic strip) is being completed in class. There will be a test on chapters 13-16 on Tuesday, May 24 in our literature unit. The class will be viewing the movie *The Indian in the Cupboard* on Friday, May 27. Please make sure your child's permission slip is in. In social studies the class has been learning about our United States government, as well as our own state's government. They will be performing skits in class next week titled: *A More Perfect Union* and *Constitution Cathy Pays a Visit*. There will be a quiz for both grades in math on Thursday. In vocabulary we will begin the second week of Unit 15. Homework will be the usual on Monday – Wednesday. No homework on Thursday

because we will be taking our test on this day. On Friday, May 27 I will host a pizza and ice cream party for the class for all of their great work and efforts this school year. ITBS testing results are in and we have a dynamite class! Ms. Arias has been busy as a bee filling out homework passes for students who have shown growth since our testing in the Fall to the tune of 49 passes! Way to go class! These passes may be used for the following school year.

Mrs. Vann-5th/6th:

It's a busy week coming up! Two-column notes for the Ancient Civilization Research Report are due Monday, May 23rd. The Final draft of the report is due Thursday, May 26th. There will be a short grammar quiz on Tuesday, May 24th. The chapter 20 Science test is Wednesday, May 25th. A test on the Mysteries of the Rosary is scheduled for Friday, May 26th. We will celebrate our summer birthdays next week: Monday: Braden; Tuesday: Adrianna; Wednesday: Taylor; Thursday: Brooke and Bridget; Friday: Daisy. Please remember to turn in your permission slip to watch *Where the Red Fern Grows* on Friday. Our class will be representing the country of Greece in the Mini-Olympics on Wednesday, June 1st. It's time to pull out your togas! We will need a parent or two who can help sell tickets and drinks at lunch that day. Please let me know if you are available to come!

Mrs. Eiserman-7th/8th:

On Thursday, May 26 is our Medieval Feast with Famous and Infamous People of the Middle Ages. We will begin our feast after the rally, somewhere around 11:30am. Students have looked online for some tasty Medieval treats to make and share. We will be enjoying a variety of stews on that day as well as some sweet treats, judging by the recipes the students found. We will be polishing up our speeches next week. Remember, costumes are encouraged, but optional. Students may dress in a modern interpretation of their character if they wish. Parents are welcome to attend. 8th Grade Graduation speeches are due on Monday. We will have a small Science quiz on solutions and a quiz on verb tenses next week. Now is the time to do some checking around the house for textbooks, AR Library books, and classroom library books.

Mrs. Hester- 8th:

Please send in \$20 to cover the cost of flowers for graduation! Thank you! Please send cash or make checks payable to me.

Recognition/Review

Mrs. Croghan- 1st :

Wowersers!!! So many students earned 90% and higher on the Social Studies Economics Test. Congratulations to Chase Carrere, Carleigh Castillo (100%), Alison Leos, Kateri Meraz (100%), Abby Myers (100%), Frances Peterson, Chris Rodriguez, Timothy Walsh (100%), and Renee Wrysinski (100%). The students made our AR Thermometer blow its top off. They reached 150.5 points on Tuesday, so they had a fun Movie/Summer Birthday Party day on Friday. Thank you to all the parents that helped to put it together!!! You are a wonderful group of families to have the privilege to work with in educating your children.

Mrs. Walsh-2nd:

We had some perfect scores on our math pre-test. Raymon, Xavier, and Gracie did not have to take the regular chapter test on multiplication. We started our last math chapter, focusing on division. We enjoyed our nature walk on Wednesday. We looked at a variety of plants and trees and talked about different types of seeds.

Ms. Arias-3rd/4th:

Perfect scores on the unit 14 definitions test were earned by: Charles Dunn, Christian Reyna and Erik Wrysinski. 90% and above: Liam de Wit, Rafael Manjarrez, Pablo Meraz, Sophia Stocks, and Haven Wright. Congratulations to Haven Wright, Jaycee Schumacher-Ash, and Christian Reyna for earning their AR goal!

Mrs. Vann-5th/6th:

Congratulations to Adrianna Abele, Karina Ascencion, Brooke Chalker, Ben Davies, Jeanette Meraz, Daisy Ramirez, Taylor Rodriguez, Sam Stocks, Spencer Stocks, Erin Walsh and Khloey Wayman for scoring 90% or above on the chapter 21 Religion test! Ben Davies, Jeanette Meraz and Sam Stocks earned As on the Ratio, Percent and Probability math test! Great job on the chapter 20 Science vocabulary quiz! Adrianna Abele*, Marifer

Adams*, Karina Ascencion, Ben Davies*, Nick Hester, Jeanette Meraz*, Daisy Ramirez*, Sam Stocks*, Spencer Stocks*, and Erin Walsh earned As (* denotes 100%)! The students in the 5th & 6th grades did very well on their spring testing and a total of 30 homework passes and 2 free dress passes will be handed out on Monday – you’re hard work paid off! Congratulations to Sam Stocks for reaching 300 AR points!

Mrs. Eisermann 7th/8th:

All students did a fantastic job on their Christian Community Service Project and Reports. I can really see that Christ was active in the Colusa community by the services each student performed. I was really proud of their efforts! *Gathering Blue* Chapters 10-13 quiz superstars include: Nadine Ahola, Ashley Dowden, Larissa Ramirez, Cristobal Villasenor, Emily Corriea (100%), Kendra Hester (100%), Ximena Moreno (100%), Aaron Silva (100%), and Branden Woodring (100%)! Way to go! Almost all students were superstars on their Messenger Vocabulary test this week. Keep up the good work

Colusa Swim Team Announcement

The Colusa ‘Cudas swim team will be accepting new and former team members for the 2011 season. Student’s ages 4 through 18 can participate. Members of the swim team learn the strokes by daily practice, and they compete in dual and invitational swim meets. Former swimmers will be mailed the registration information, and new members can register on the first day of practice that will be held on Monday, June 6, 6:15 p.m., at the Colusa Public Pool located on the corner of Webster and 10th Streets. If you have any questions, please feel free to call The Imhoffs at 458-4372.

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The Stagehands Children’s Theater Announcement – Charlotte’s Web

May 20, 21, and 22 – Stagehands Theater at the Fairgrounds. Cost \$7.00. May 20, 21 at 7:15 and May 22 at 2:15. All the acting is done by local students. We have three students in the play – Nadine Ahola, Kendra Hester, and Branden Woodring.

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Family Calendar

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Mini-- Olympics</i> Begins at 10:15 am All lunch items \$1.00 each	2 <i>School Picnic</i> <i>Swim Party ??</i> 2 PM DISMISSAL	3 <i>Mass 9 am</i> 3rd Trimester ends 12PM DISMISSAL NO EXTENDED AFTER 12 PM	4
5	6 <i>Teacher Inservice</i>	7 <i>Teacher Inservice</i>	8	9	10	11
		Office hours 9 am to 1 pm				
12	13 <i>Summer School</i> <i>Starts</i>	14	15	16	17	18
		Office hours 9 am to 1 pm				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Office hours 9 am to 1 pm				
26	27	28	29	30		
		Office hours 9 am to 1 pm				

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

2011-2012 STUDENT COUNCIL

Officers:

President	Claira Davis
Vice President & Secretary	Erin Walsh
Treasurer	Nadine Aholá
Vice President of Faith & Spirituality	Karina Ascencion
Vice President of Publicity	Taylor Rodriguez
Vice President of Service	Brooke Chalker
Vice President of Spirit	Adrianna Abele
Advisor	Ms. Arias

Committees:

Faith and Spirituality	Gracie Myers and Helena Harris Advisor: Ms. Genera
Publicity	Sophia Stocks, Erik Wrynski, and Pablo Meraz Advisor: Mrs. Vann
Service	Spencer Stocks, Sam Stocks, Braden Kelley, and Sarah Vann Advisor: Mrs. Walsh
Spirit	Ashley Dowden, Daisy Ramirez, Jeanette Meraz, and Bridget Walsh Advisor: Mrs. Hester

OLL Fireworks 2011

Tue 6/28/11			Wed 6/29/11			Thur 6/30/11			Fri 7/1/11			Sat 7/2/11			Sun 7/3/11			Mon 7/4/11		
Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	Shift	Name	
8 - 10 am	Closed	8 - 10 am	Closed	8 - 10 am	Jose R.	8 - 10 am	Jose R.	8 - 10 am	Browyn	8 - 10 am	Barbara A.	8 - 10 am	Barbara A.	8 - 10 am	Barbara A.	8 - 10 am	Alicia D.			
8 - 10 am	Closed	8 - 10 am	Closed	8 - 10 am	Estella	8 - 10 am	Bertha	8 - 10 am	Chris	8 - 10 am	Dana A.	8 - 10 am	Dana A.	8 - 10 am	Dana A.	8 - 10 am	Jeff D.			
10 - 12 pm	Closed	10 - 12 pm	Jose R.	10 - 12 pm	Jose R.	10 - 12 pm	Jose R.	10 - 12 pm	Barbara A.	10 - 12 pm	Barbara A.	10 - 12 pm	Barbara A.	10 - 12 pm	Barbara A.	10 - 12 pm	Alicia D.			
10 - 12 pm	Closed	10 - 12 pm	Sheri H.	10 - 12 pm	Estella	10 - 12 pm	Bertha	10 - 12 pm	Dana A.	10 - 12 pm	Dana A.	10 - 12 pm	Dana A.	10 - 12 pm	Dana A.	10 - 12 pm	Jeff D.			
12 - 2 pm	Estella	12 - 2 pm	Jose R.	12 - 2 pm	Jose R.	12 - 2 pm	Jose R.	12 - 2 pm	Barbara A.	12 - 2 pm	Barbara A.	12 - 2 pm	Jose M.	12 - 2 pm	Jose M.	12 - 2 pm	Maria D.			
12 - 2 pm	Ruby	12 - 2 pm	Estella	12 - 2 pm	Estella	12 - 2 pm	Bertha	12 - 2 pm	Dana A.	12 - 2 pm	Natalie	12 - 2 pm	Natalie	12 - 2 pm	Natalie	12 - 2 pm	Scott D.			
2 - 4 pm	Estella	2 - 4 pm	Jose R.	2 - 4 pm	Jose R.	2 - 4 pm	Jose R.	2 - 4 pm	Natalie	2 - 4 pm	Bertha	2 - 4 pm	Bertha	2 - 4 pm	Bertha	2 - 4 pm				
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4 - 6 pm	Estella	4 - 6 pm	Jose R.	4 - 6 pm	Jose R.	4 - 6 pm	Jose R.	4 - 6 pm	Jeff C.	4 - 6 pm	Elizabeth	4 - 6 pm	Elizabeth	4 - 6 pm	Elizabeth	4 - 6 pm	Maria D.			
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6 - 9 pm	Dana D.	6 - 9 pm	Jose R.	6 - 9 pm	Jose R.	6 - 9 pm	Jose R.	4 - 6 pm	Natalie	4 - 6 pm	Jose M.	4 - 6 pm	Jose M.	4 - 6 pm	Jose M.	4 - 6 pm	Maria D.			
6 - 9 pm	Samantha V	6 - 9 pm	Dana D.	6 - 9 pm	Dana D.	6 - 9 pm	Browyn	4 - 6 pm	Bertha	4 - 6 pm	Elizabeth	4 - 6 pm	Elizabeth	4 - 6 pm	Elizabeth	4 - 6 pm	Scott D.			
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									Bertha	6 - 9 pm	Jeff D.	6 - 9 pm	Jeff D.	6 - 9 pm	Jeff D.	6 - 9 pm				

To sign up for a shift call 635-0284 and leave a message.

Please leave your name, contact phone number and the shift you are interested in working.
I will call you to confirm the date and time within 24 hours.

If you cannot work your shift, please call me as soon as possible so as to find a replacement.



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Raise
Money for
Habitat
for
Humanity**

Collect all GREEN tabs
off Sprite soda cans
and return to Cristobal
Villasenor.



For each tab collected Sprite will donate
\$0.10 to help build and refurbish homes
and active spaces with Habitat for
Humanity.

All Tabs need to returned by Tuesday May 31st