Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph Newsletter

www.boscocatholic.org March 4, 2021

The Bosco Catholic School System provides students and families with academic, spiritual, moral, and sacramental formation so that they are prepared to be faithful disciples who are the light of Christ in the world.

Conference Sign Up

Conferences will be: 3:00 - 7:00pm Monday, March 15 and Tuesday, March 16 in classrooms.

Instructions for scheduling your conferences online may be found in last week's newsletter. **The online conference scheduler will be live until Thursday, March 11 at midnight.**

If you would like **a virtual conference - enter "VIR" next to student name**.

After scheduling your conferences, please print or write down your conference schedule. You will NOT be able to go back to the scheduler after March 11 at midnight.

No school tomorrow, March 5 - Professional Development Day

2021-2022 Kindergarten and Preschool

We are gathering numbers for our 2021-2022 kindergarten and preschool classes. If you have a child who will be entering kindergarten or preschool next year, or if you know of someone who has a child, please fill out the form in this newsletter and return to the school office.

STO (tuition assistance) Information

All STO applications must be submitted with appropriate documents by April 15. See the tuition assistance application information flyer below.

Middle School Coaches Needed

We are looking for a middle school Track and Baseball coach for this spring. Please contact Mr. Chicchelly with questions or to apply. bchicchelly@boscocatholic.org

PTO News

Our next PTO meeting will be held Tuesday, April 6 at 5:30pm in St. Mary Center. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Uke Can Do It!

There have been some impressive sounds happening in the Music Room lately! With some help from a PTO Grant, I was able to purchase ten brand new ukuleles from West Music. So both Mr. Wymore's sixth-grade class and Mrs. Birds's fifth-grade class have been learning how to play them the past few months. Since I'm not much of a ukulele player myself, I have also been learning along with them! We've been working a while on the basics, but we'll be playing some actual songs in the next week or two!

Before we play, we say three mottos to help us remember how to have good playing techniques. (Perhaps your student told you what they are!) The students also love volunteering to lead the class in saying them out loud. However the leader says it, the entire class has to echo it back in the same way. This also makes saying the mottos a fun little morale booster too! Even though learning a new instrument is always a slow process, having fun along the way certainly makes it more rewarding! Stay tuned! ~ Mr. Bergan

Please send all newsletter items to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org by 8:00am on Wednesday, March 10.

Mother Son Sweetheart Dance

- Friday, March 12, 2021 from 6:30pm-8:00pm in Saint Mary Center
- Join us for music, games, snacks, photo booth, Prince and Princess raffle and FUN!!
- Boys can bring Mom, Grandma, Aunt or other special guest.
- This event is open to all ages, and BCSS and St. A's, as well as friends and family.
- Tickets are $5.00 per person. Please RSVP if you plan to attend. A flyer was sent home with your student.
- This flyer can be sent in to school as your RSVP.
- Hosted by the Fun Run Committee.

Girl Scout Special Project

Gilbertville Girl Scout Troop 1458 has entered into a national Go Bananas challenge to raise money for our troop to potentially attend GS camp next year. We need your help!

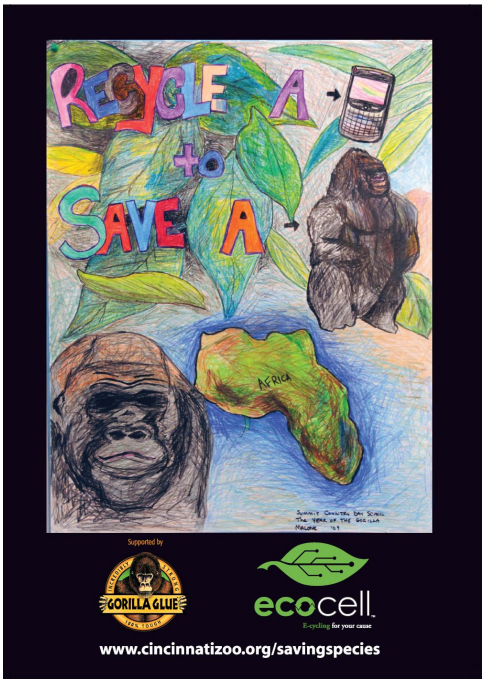
Recycle an old device and Save a Gorilla

We are collecting old smart phones, cell phones, iPods\iPads, tablets and charging accessories for these devices. We will donate the devices to the Cincinnati Zoo in hopes to win the challenge and earn 1K-4K.

Please contact: Heather Mennen 319-610-3871 or Natalie Hershberger 319-230-9883 with any questions.

Drop off location: 108 20th Ave., Gilbertville - please utilize the special container located by the side of house with pull through driveway.

Thank you so much for your generous donation.
Troop 1458



Nurse's Notes

March is National Nutrition Month. We are doing CHEW week for our SWITCH program with the 4th and 5th graders. This means that they are to have 5 servings of fruits and or vegetables a day. How does your intake of fruits and vegetables stack up? Fruits add essential nutrients to our diet. They also add fiber in their original state. Vegetables also add essential nutrients and fiber but can also help fill you up leaving you less hungry. Half of your plate should be filled with fruits and vegetables. Take time at the grocery store to check out all of the fruits and vegetables that are available. Frozen fruits and vegetables can be an economical and healthy choice. Look for new healthy ways to prepare them. Talk about what you are serving. This week in our classroom taste testing we are going to try kale, spinach and lettuce.
Marianne Hickey RN

Driver's Education Classes

MTMD Driving School L.L.C will have Driver Education classes at Independence High School. Information and registration forms may be picked up in the IC office. The cost of the course is $385. A $200 deposit is required with registration.

School Bus Drivers Needed

The Bosco Catholic School System is looking for bus drivers for our morning and afternoon routes. For those interested in driving for activities we can arrange that too. If interested call 319-296-1692 or email Casey Redmond at credmond@boscocatholic.org .

Looking for a way to earn some extra money while also helping your school? Substitute teaching could be the answer!! If you have a bachelor's degree, associate's degree, or 60 hours of college credit you can take the brief, 20 hour, substitute authorization course and become a substitute teacher! Please click on the following link to find out more information about some upcoming class offerings, some of which are virtual.

Substitute Authorization Classes

If you have any questions, please contact Shelby Douglas sdouglas@boscocatholic.org or Casey Redmond at credmond@boscocatholic.org .

No Waterloo buses - March 15, 16, 17.

St. Joseph Parish - Raymond

Frosted-Pecan-Caramel Roll Fundraiser

Saturday, March 27

Order your **JUMBO** size fresh-baked,
individually wrapped,
frosted, pecan, or caramel rolls for
$3.00 each or 6 rolls for $15.00

Place your order by March 19th on the parish web-site: http://www.icsjchurch.com/Bulletins.htm or on Facebook under Immaculate Conception & Saint Joseph Catholic churches, Iowa

If you prefer, you may contact one of the following:
Michelle Stroh - text or message 319-429-3293
Linda Kayser - text or message 319-830-2746
Mary McMahon - text or message 319-939-6279
Extras will be available, but not guaranteed.

Pick up on **Saturday, March 27th** between
4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at Reuter Hall
313 E. Central St., Raymond

New Student
OPEN HOUSE

Academic Excellence | Faith-based Education | Co-curricular Opportunities

Who: Any new family with children entering Preschool, Kindergarten & 1st Grade

(Already a Don? Invite friends!)

When: Tuesday, March 23, 2021
5:30pm – 7:00pm Open House

Where: St. Joseph School Campus
6916 LaFayette Road, Raymond, Iowa

What to Expect: Meet our principal & teachers, enjoy refreshments, learn about all the Bosco System has to offer & receive a free family pass to a future DB musical or athletic event

Have questions? Can't make it? Call 319.296.1089 to schedule a private meeting & tour at your convenience!

- Bosco serves Black Hawk and surrounding counties with transportion options
- All Faiths Welcome
- K- 12 Financial Assistance Available
- Small Class Sizes & Leader in Me Program
- Full Selection of Extra-Cirricular Activities
- We offer after school care for grades PK-5
- Preschool through 12th grade Experience

Our Faith, Our Children, Our Future
School Tuition Organization

21-22 Tuition Assistance Application Process

Deadline for application & submitting 2020 federal tax returns is **April 15, 2021**.

Step 1: *Apply Now*

Complete one FACTS application per family at online.factsmgt.com/aid.

Step 2: *Upload 2020 Federal Tax Return*

Include your entire federal tax return and all schedules.
If you are not required to complete 2020 federal taxes, upload nontaxable income documentation.

Step 3: *Application Fee*

Pay $31.00 fee per family before submitting the FACTS application.

Step 4: *Seek Assistance*

For questions about the application:
Call FACTS Helpline at 866-315-9262
Monday–Thursday 7:00am to 7:00pm & Friday 7:00am to 5:00pm.

For help with uploading documents or other assistance completing the application:
Contact your school office.

For more information about the application process and eligibility requirements:
Go to ourfaithsto.org/faqs-for-parents.

Step 5: *Receive Notification*

Qualifying families will receive notification of STO awards by May 21st.

Step 6: *Local Tuition Assistance*

If you need additional tuition assistance beyond STO or miss the April 15th priority deadline, you should still complete the STO application and reach out to your school about any additional local tuition assistance options.

As we prepare for the 2021-2022 school year, we are excited to announce some *NEW OFFERINGS* for the 2021-2022 school year!

It's time to **RESERVE** your child's **spot** in our
3 year old, 4 year old, or kindergarten program

OR, if you know of someone who has a 3 year old, 4 year old, or kindergartner, please let us know or share this form with them!

Our after school program (ABC) will be available for all 3 and 4 year olds enrolled in our full day classes. ABC is open to PK-5 students.

Grade in 2021-2022: (circle one)

Kindergarten Preschool 4 yr old Preschool 3 yr old

Please circle the **4 year old** option you are interested in:

M-F 7:30-2:15 M-W-F 7:30-2:15 M-W-F 7:30-10:30

Please circle the **3 year old** option you are interested in:

M-F 7:30-2:15 M-W-F 7:30-2:15 M-W-F 7:30-10:30 T & Th 7:30-2:15 T & Th 7:30-10:30

Child's Name:_____ Male Female (circle one)

Child's Date of Birth:_____

Parents Name:_____

Address, PO Box, City, Zip:_____

Phone:_____

Email Address:_____

Catholic Non-Catholic (circle one) Parish registered:_____