



Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph Newsletter

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With support from families, we respect and encourage students to reach their potential **Spiritually** by developing a strong relationship with Jesus and knowledge of His church, **Academically** by igniting learning, leadership and life skills, **Physically** by learning about and living healthy habits and **Socially** by becoming active members of the community who serve others as stewards of the Gospel so they are the light of Christ in the world.



Remember in your prayers our second grade students as they receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion this Sunday, April 25.

8th grade & 2nd grade students

8th graders will spend tomorrow with their 2nd grade prayer partner for their First Communion Retreat.

6th & 7th Grade Field Trip

The sixth and seventh grade students will be traveling to Independence tomorrow, April 23. Students will watch the movie Pope Francis: A Man of His Word, then visit Heartland Acres. After lunch students will spend the afternoon cleaning up around the school as an Earth Day service project.

Let's Help Pony Express Riders Raise Funds

On Thursday, April 29, students Pk-12 in the Bosco Catholic School System are invited to donate a dollar (or more) to wear a hat to school. The money raised will go to the Pony Express Riders of Iowa who raise money for the Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside in Ankeny. Please watch the video to learn more about this worthy cause! You may recognize local business owner, fire chief, community member, and BCSS family member John Johnson. He and his wife sit on the board of the The Pony Express Riders of Iowa. JJ is the president and Suzette is a board member.

Thanks in advance for helping them in their fundraising efforts for this worthy cause!!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6it2T5rWhw>

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 3-7

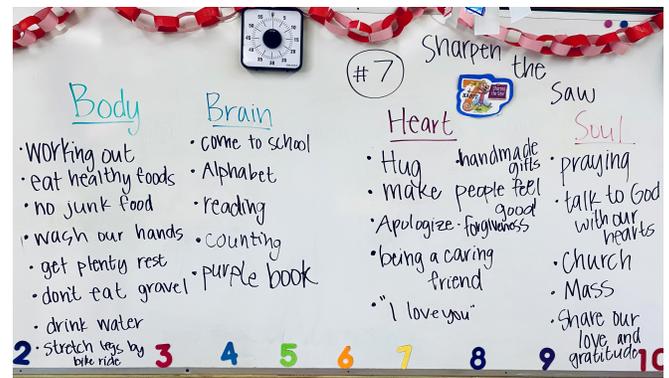
See the flyer below for the events happening that week.

School Board Members Needed

Have you ever served on a school board before? Please consider sharing your time and talent in this capacity. School board meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month (excluding July). Please consider running for your Bosco Catholic School System Board. The elections for both the Immaculate Conception and St. Joseph Parish board representatives will be held on May 8/9. Call the parish office at 319-296-1092 to get on the ballot.

Preschool - Habit 7 - Sharpen the Saw

To sharpen the saw means to continue to develop habits that make us better leaders in a more balanced lifestyle. Being balanced in these four categories helps us to feel good and happy, **BODY, BRAIN, HEART, SOUL**. Our class brainstormed a list of ways to sharpen the saw in each category and what it means to us. They have many great ideas that will work for leaders of all ages!



PTO News

Please join our PTO group. Check out our new PTO facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/264940478631307/?ref=share>

Please send all newsletter items to icsnewsletter@boscocatholic.org by 3:00pm on Wednesday, April 28.



Jr. Dons Girls Basketball Open Gym



We will have open gym tonight, Thursday April 22 at SMC from 6-7pm. This is open to all 1st-7th grade girls at IC/SJ & St. A's.

**This will be our last open gym until further notice due to upcoming baseball and softball seasons. We will announce future open gyms as soon as schedules allow. In the meantime, thank you all for coming and keep on practicing girls!

K-5 Spring Concert and Art Show

It's that time of year! The K-5 Spring Concert and Art Show are on Wednesday, May 5th at 6:00pm. It will either be outside on the hill behind Immaculate Conception or inside the High School Gym (weather permitting). Either way, students should arrive by 5:40pm to give us time to get organized before the concert. Each class will do this at an assigned area, which will be decided as the day gets closer. Students should also look nice for their concert! Dressing in Spirit Day clothes is the minimum requirement, but when it doubt refer to the school dress code. If you have any questions, email me at sbergan@boscocatholic.org. I hope to see you all there!
-Mr. Bergan

Nurse's Notes

What are some healthy snacks for your teeth? Some good snacks include cheese snacks, fruits and vegetables, yogurt tubes or maybe an extra sandwich. Drinking water during the day also helps prevent tooth decay. Try to avoid sweet and sticky snacks. Eating them throughout the day can lead to tooth decay. Tooth decay happens. Tooth enamel breaks down from sweets or carbohydrates left on the teeth and bacteria forms damaging the enamel. Floss once a day, brush twice a day and do not drink or eat anything but water after brushing teeth before going to bed. Our kindergartners and 9th graders are required to have a dental screen on file. Twice a year dental visits are recommended. Eat healthy snacks and save your smile.
Marianne Hickey RN



Friday, May 21 will be our Fun Run re-do day! Due to inclement weather we were not able to complete our festivities last October. Parents, friends, & community members are invited back to the DB baseball field on 5/21/21 after lunch for our Fun Run Part 2! This includes their celebratory laps around the field and the highly anticipated dunk tank! Our official start time will be posted in the coming weeks.

Please note, if inclement weather finds us again on May 21, this event will not be rescheduled.

SWITCH - Healthy Habits Program Completed

The 4th and 5th graders have successfully completed the 12-week SWITCH healthy habits program. The program included 4 DO weeks, which is 1 hour of physical activity per day for the students with PE and recess included in this time. 4 CHEW weeks, which is eating 5 servings of fruits and vegetables per day and 4 VIEW weeks, which is less than 2 hours of recreational screen time per day. During the 12 weeks, we promoted physical activity, food tasting experiences and discussed alternatives to using a device or screen time. Congratulations to Ava Brady, Gavin DeLong, Boston Frost, Jake Lindquist, Khloe McMahon, Kiley Moses, and Ashton Nie who successfully met all 12 weekly goals. Congratulations to Colton Bovy, Kash Frost, Kennedy Sharp, and Bo Wayson who met their weekly goal for the last six weeks. Well Done!

Lost Island Season Pass

Lost island season individual pass for \$110.00 this includes tax. Available until May 1. Please text Donna Delagardelle at 319-239-9945 if interested.

Thank you

We were tickled pink to be treated like a superstar on Administrative Professionals Day! Thank you to our principal, faculty and students for making the day extra special. It meant so much to us!
Ms. Berry and Mrs. Lutgen





Date: April 22, 2021

To: Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

From: Morgan Rutherford and Shelby Douglas

Under the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*, all dioceses in the United States have agreed to do the following:

1. Provide education and training for children, youth, parents, ministers, educators, volunteers and others about ways to make and maintain a safe environment for children and young people. This education and training teaches children about boundaries and safe touches (this is not sex education), helping children to stay safe.
2. Offer the training to all children/young people.
3. Document that the training has taken place.

While all children are to be offered the Archdiocesan safe environment training, a parent/guardian may refuse to allow their child to participate in the Archdiocesan training. The following conditions must be met if a parent/guardian decides not to have their child(ren) participate:

1. The location is to provide to the parent/guardian the Archdiocesan curriculum if the parent chooses to cover this material with their own child(ren).
2. The parent must specifically state in writing: (1) that safe environment training was offered to their child, (2) that they refused to allow their child to participate in this training, and (3) that they have been offered safe environment training materials to use with their child. This signed form must be maintained within the archdiocese (by the parish) to ensure full accountability concerning the safe environment training of every child.

The safe environment training program at IC/St. Joe's will be offered the week of April 26th and May 3rd. We will cover this topic with every grade on these weeks. This will be taught during their SEL/Guidance time. Here are the topics covered during this presentation:

Main Points for Safe Environment Training for Children Curriculum Gr. K-12:

1. We are made in the image and likeness of God.
2. Our bodies are special because they are Temples of the Holy Spirit.
3. No one should touch us in a way that makes us feel uncomfortable, particularly in the places covered by a swimsuit.
4. If someone does touch us in a way that makes us feel uncomfortable, we should have someone to whom we can go to get it to stop.

In the event that you do not wish your student to participate in the safe environment training, please complete, date, sign, and return the form on the reverse side of this letter. Please list each child and the level/grade training they would have the opportunity to receive. If we do not receive the form by Monday, April 26th, we will assume your approval of your child(ren)'s participation in the program.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and Happy Thursday ☺

To receive a copy of the *Safe Environment Training for Children* that you can use with your child(ren) please email Mrs. Rutherford at mrutherford@boscocatholic.org.

Parent/Guardian Safe Environment Training Refusal Form

Please return this form **ONLY** if you do **NOT** wish to have your child(ren) listed below participate in the safe environment training(s) for the current academic year.

1. I/We do not wish our child(ren) to participate in the *Safe Environment Training for Children* program at IC/St. Joseph.
2. List child(ren) and level/grades they are in who we/I do not wish to have participate in the safe environment training for the 2020-2021 program year. (List only those children who are in the grades/levels receiving training this year.)

Child(ren)	Level/Grade
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3. Signature and Date:

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Date

Note: Completed forms are maintained locally to ensure full accountability with the charter



TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 3 - MAY 7



Dear Students, Parents, & Staff,

We will be celebrating our annual teacher & staff appreciation week the first week in May. This year the theme is **WE'RE YOUR #1 FANS!** Below is an itinerary of weekly events along with a suggestion of ways you can contribute to the fun of showering our teachers and staff with the appreciation they deserve!

MON. 3	TUES. 4	WED. 5	THURS. 6	FRI. 7
MVP MONDAY	TOUCHDOWN TUESDAY	WORLD SERIES WEDNESDAY	THREE POINT THURSDAY	EXTRA INNINGS FRIDAY
<p><u>Students:</u> Have your student write a note telling your teachers why they are an MVP!</p> <p><u>Staff:</u> Take a time out for Concession Stand treats in the lounge.</p>	<p><u>Students:</u> Have your student give an elbow bump or air high five to any teacher they see during their day!</p>	<p><u>Students & Staff:</u> Wear jeans or uniform bottoms, DB shirt and a sports hat.</p> <p><u>Staff:</u> Enjoy a Grand Slam Breakfast in the lounge!</p>	<p><u>Students & Staff:</u> Out of uniform day! Student may wear a sports jersey/shirt and appropriate athletic bottoms.</p>	<p>NO SCHOOL STAFF PD DAY</p> <p><u>Staff:</u> Celebrate a victory with a catered lunch from The 10th Inning provided by your PTO.</p>

* The ideas above are all optional suggestions to participate in the daily themes/activities. If you have other ideas or would like to show your appreciation to teachers and staff in different ways - please feel free!

We can't wait for all the fun to begin! Please message the new BCSS PTO Facebook page with any questions.

Sincerely,
Bosco Catholic School System
PTO

