Immaculate Conception/St. Joseph Newsletter

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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.

Sad farewells are given to special people. We are extremely sad to say farewell to Mr. Fahnle. We would love to wish him all the best in person. Mr. Fahnle has been at IC/SJ for two years, building bonds with ALL of our K-8 students and staff. Letter from Mr. Fahnle -

Dear IC/St. Joseph Families,

I want to take this time to thank all of you for welcoming me into your community and families. These past two years have been nothing short of wonderful. I've gotten to know all of your children in class and many of the families in my short time at IC-St. Joseph. This experience has been like no other.

That is why it is so hard to say good-bye. As some of you know we welcomed my daughter, Peyton, to our family this past January. While this has been a blessing to our family, it has also presented us with different needs. With my family growing, it was time to be closer to them.

I was given an offer to teach 2nd grade at St. Jude Elementary School here in Cedar Rapids. This is a great opportunity for my family, as it is also the school that James, our son, attends. This move allows me to be closer to James, but it also gives me a little more flexibility to be more available for my family.

Please know that this decision has not been an easy one. Without the opportunity that I had at IC-St. Joseph; I would not have this one. During my two years, I thought of the kids as my kids and will always value the connection that I had with each student. But, I know that this move is best for my family. That's why it is so hard to say good-bye.

I'll miss getting to see the kids arrive in the morning. I'll miss getting to play knock-out with the kids at recess. I'll miss the "Ah-ha!" moment when the students finally get it. And most of all I'll miss getting to know each student as they grow.

I thank you all for letting me get to know your children and families during my short two years in the Bosco Community. This is an experience that I will always value and continue to draw inspiration from.

Thank You and God Bless,
Mr. Fahnle

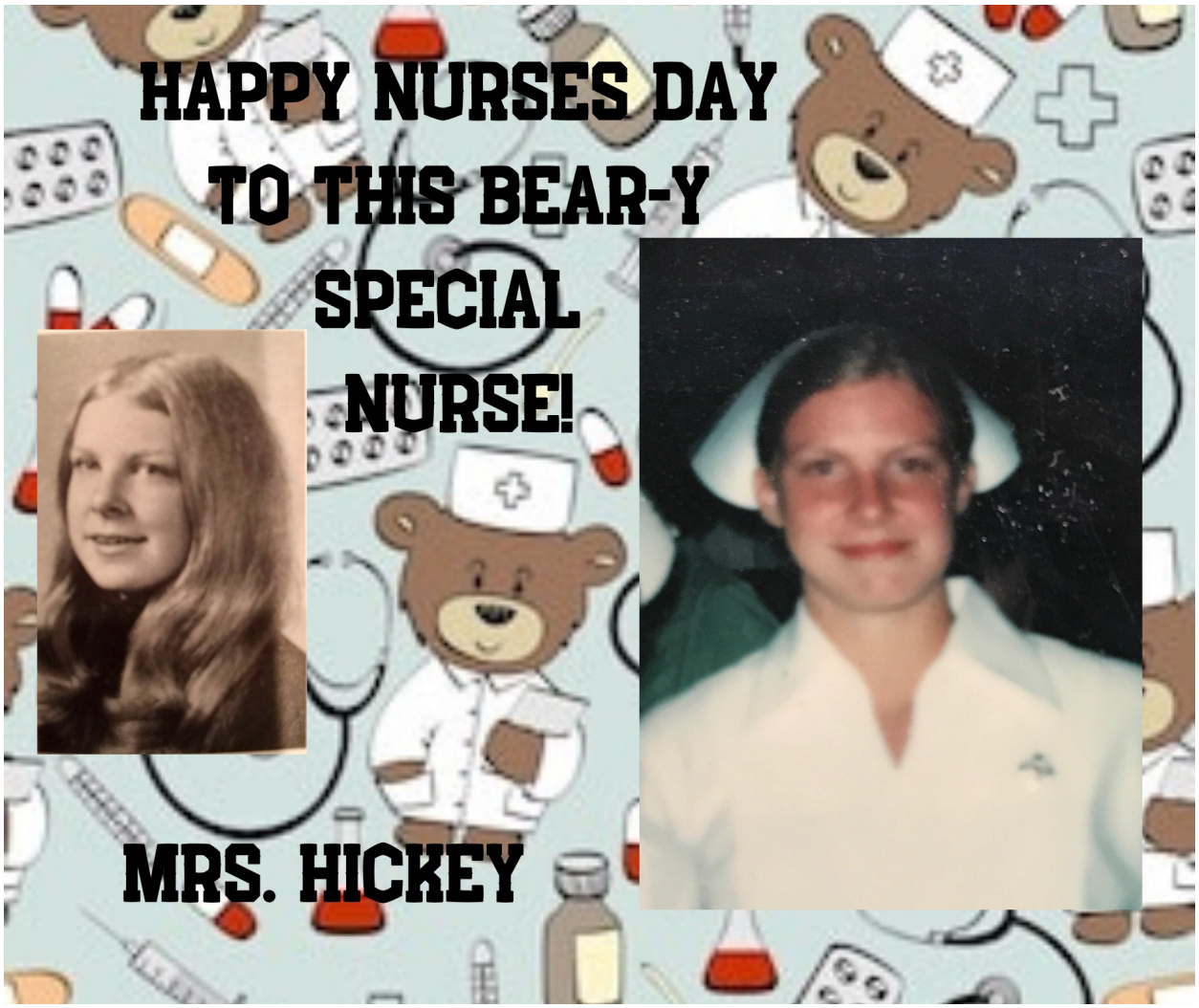
Please share Mr. Fahnle's video with your students if you see fit. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ppl-2JTl5-1Yd2xm-KcNFLSLu-SdpDaa/view

Did you know…

There are some positive things coming from our school buildings being closed to students. The biggest one being that our bathroom remodel has started!!! The money we raised with the Fun Run, along with some other facility funds and donations was enough to do one set of bathrooms. The contractor really wanted to be able to do both sets at the same time and agreed to work with us on some financing to allow us time to raise additional money from this next year's Fun Run. Huff Contracting is AMAZING!!!

Here is a sneak peek! We will keep you posted on our progress!

THANK YOU ALL FOR THE HARD WORK YOU PUT INTO HELPING US RAISE MONEY WITH THE FUN RUN!!! This wouldn't have been possible without you!!



Nurse's Notes

Being positive when there is so much negative is difficult. The easiest thing to do is smile. Smiling lifts your spirits as well as the person receiving the smile. Show gratitude by reflecting on the positives in your day. Be grateful for what you have. Also volunteering helps lift your spirits. It helps you feel good to be helping your community. Here at Bosco we are so thankful for all our volunteers. We could not do this without you. Happy Volunteer Week. Simplify your lifestyle. Focus on ridding your life of clutter. Spread your positive attitude. And wash your hands. Marianne Hickey RN

Box Tops for Education

Thank you to all who donate Box Tops. We received a check in the amount of $332.90. What an easy way to earn money for our school.

Vacation Bible School Preregistration

It is time for Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School preregistration! Vacation Bible School is open to students beginning Kindergarten through beginning 5th grade for the 20/21 school year. The form is below. Vacation Bible School will be July 27-31 in the St. Mary Center from 8:30-11:30 each day. Your child will get a snack and come home with a craft each day. The cost will be $20 per child with the option of ordering a t-shirt for $8. If you wish to preregister, please have your form electronically submitted to Mrs. Wellman, Mrs. Ownby, or Ms. McMaster by May 22, 2020. We understand that there is still some uncertainty about guidelines for larger gatherings in the summer. We are optimistic that we will still be able to host Vacation Bible School at the end of July! We will not be taking payments until we know that we are for sure a go. We are also looking for parents and middle or high school students willing to volunteer! We would love to have you for as much time as you're able to give us. Please fill out the volunteer form and send it to one of the mentioned teachers. Hope to see you there!

Please send all newsletter items to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org by 3:00pm on Wednesday, May 13.

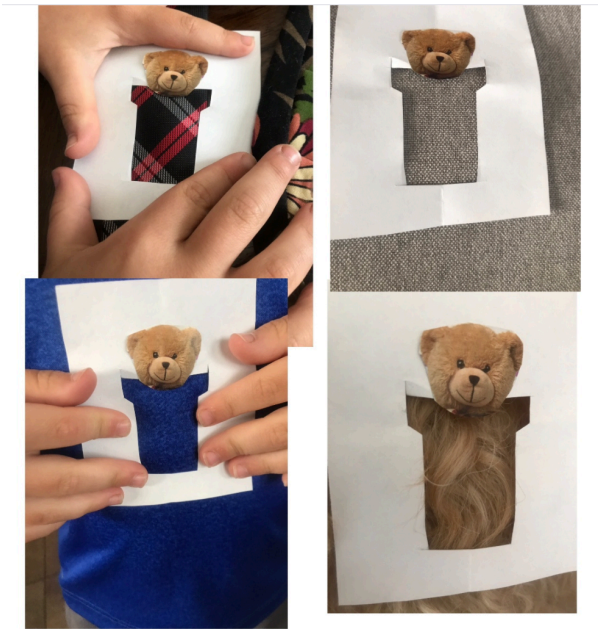
Mrs. Bolick is Retiring!

Please send a card of thanks and well wishes to:
Don Bosco High School Attn: Mrs. Bolick PO Box 106 Gilbertville, IA 50634.

Thank you to our lunch ladies.

Audrey and Morgan spent hours creating this version of the Clue game with their favorite Netflix show, The 100.

We have some awesome fashion designers here! I love how creative students were this week with their designs. They are all so different, fun, and stylish!



This Is My Shirt Eva!

Our Principals are the best!

REGISTRATION FORM

(One per child)

July 27-31 8:30-11:30 AM $20 per child*
St. Mary's Center $8 per t-shirt (optional)

Child's name: _____ Child's gender: _____

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cellphone: (____) _____

Home email address: _____

Home church: _____

T-shirt size (optional) YxS ___ YS ___ YM ___ YL ___ S ___ M ___

Allergies, medical conditions, or special needs: _____

In case of emergency, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Crew number or name (for church use only): _____

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

July 27 - July 31, 2020
8:00AM - 11:45AM
Director Contacts:

Molli Wellman mwellman@boscocatholic.org, Veronica McMaster vmcmaster@boscocatholic.org
Emily Ownby eownby@boscocatholic.org

Name:____

Circle one: Adult High School Student Middle School Student

Email/Phone:____

Staff Shirt $10 (optional) S___ M___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___

Middle School Students

(circle all that interest you)

Crew Leader Assistant Station Assistant

High School Students

(circle all that interest you)

Crew Leader (lead a mixed-aged group of kids through the stations) Station Assistant Photographer Registration/Check-In

Adults

(circle all that interest you)

Station Leader Crew Leader Photographer Registration/Check-In

Stations (check all that interest you)

- ☐ Imagination Station (arts, crafts, science)
- ☐ Loco Motion Games (active outside games)
- ☐ Music & Dance (learning & teaching theme songs & dances)
- ☐ Chew Chew Snacks (making and serving themed snacks)
- ☐ Bible Adventures (explorations/skits of Bible Stories)

Availability:

M ____ T____ W____ Th____ F____ All morning_____ Other______________________
Sunday afternoon for set-up/decorating______

*Depending on our number of volunteers, we may ask that you fill a different role than your preference.