

News & Notes

April 27, 2017

Dear Nativity Families:

Last week we had a beautiful week reflecting on ways to be kind to one another!

From "Kindness Notes," kindness activities, special deliveries, and pinwheels in honor of Jacob Wetterling. **Thank you again to our Kindness Committee:** Annette Poelvoorde, Tina Flowers, Amanda Stone and Carla Zenk.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS: Welcome to students Masangay in 2nd grade and Franklin in Preschool. Please help them to feel a part of our school family!

TESTING: Testing continues with 3-7th grades this next week. Please be sure to have your child rested and ready to review all they have learned this year. Testing results are typically available in June. Testing for K-2 will begin the week of May 8.

DID YOU REGISTER? Thank you to everyone who already registered or have come in to meet with me. **NEED SCHOLARSHIP DOLLARS?** Apply with TADS (K-8) and through Parent Aware (Preschool).

- **Aim Higher Scholarships through TADS!** Apply for scholarships by applying with TADS online. Families who have received the Aim Higher scholarship in the past **MUST APPLY** through TADS this year. Go to: www.tads.com.
- **Parent Aware–Preschool Scholarships:** We are now a 4-Star rated Preschool! You can apply by calling: 888.291.9811 www.parentaware.org



SPRIT OF SPRING - Sat., April 29 (6-11:30)

Las Vegas Style - Winning for Nativity! *You won't want to miss this fantastic evening of fun with casino games, fellowship, Elvis, & great auction items!* **ENCLOSED in this week's Communication Folder is a list of our LIVE AUCTION ITEMS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS! All Silent & Buy In parties are online, active today at NOON!**



FUND-A-NEED: Supporting Science & STEM programs! Help make a donation to grow our inquiry and project based programs in the Maker Space/STEM room!

- **FRI., APRIL 28 - Sign up to Volunteer** [Click here](#) – We still need your support, or check that you're on the list!
- **FRI., APRIL 28 – All youth raffle tickets are due by NOON** on Friday. If you only have adult raffle tickets, they can be brought to the event. **RETURN ALL SOLD OR UNSOLD RAFFLE TICKETS.**
- **CAN'T ATTEND? BID ONLINE – OPENS AT NOON TODAY!**

<http://Nativity17.gesture.com> (CLICK TO BID!)



April 28: Mid-Trimester

April 29: SPIRIT OF SPRING EVENT!
6-11:30pm

May 3: K-6 Counselor at Nativity

May 4:
7th Grade Field Trip

May 6: 1st Communion Practice

May 7: 1st Communion Mass 12:15 p.m.

May 11: DINE OUT DAY at BAKER'S SQUARE – for the 2018 8th grade trip!

Tuesday & Wednesday – Weekly Lego League!



Mission Statement: Nativity of Mary School provides a Catholic education that fosters academic excellence and spiritual growth while preparing students to become responsible citizens in a global society.

Spirit of Spring Webpage (click link):

<http://school.nativitybloomington.org/spirit-of-spring-2017.html>

(More news on the back)

SCHOOL FUNDRAISERS:

- **Support the 1st Nativity Annual Fund:** Thank you to everyone who has supported this fundraiser! To date we have raised **\$44,786** toward our goal of **\$50,000**. Please help us reach this goal by June 1, 2017. Share the letter: [Letter](#)
- **7th Grade Students are working hard on this year's Garage Sale.** Watch for a sign up to help! In addition, they have scheduled a dine-out night to help raise dollars for their 8th grade trip at Baker's Square on May 11. Plan to go before or after the Middle School Choir Concert! Many hands make light work!

KUDOS:

- **Thank you to everyone who collected Pop Tabs!** Nativity gathered nine large containers of pop tabs for the Knights of Columbus drive. The Kindergarten classes earned the pizza party which is being held this Friday. The collection is a tremendous help for families in need of housing during a child's serious illness. These tabs will be brought to the KC Office prior to the KC State Convention! GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT – KC of Bloomington - From Orville Fillbrandt. This was chaired locally by Theresa & Mike Prusha
- **THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORT STAFF** – We honored them today with gifts, cards and treats. THANK YOU TO MELISSA BARNES, JIM ELLISON, JILL GRIMME, WANDA HAGERTY, BECKY RODIER, & THERESA RYNDA.

NATIVITY Parent Teacher Organization (PTO): Join us for the spring PTO meeting on **Thursday May 4th from 7-8:00 p.m.** in the gathering space. We will be formalizing and putting details together for Field Days on June 6th which the PTO is helping to run with Mrs. Steffens; discuss future activities and fundraisers, a PTO website link, and looking for parents interested in leading PTO for next year. Any questions let me know! Annette at: Netter0719@aol.com

PRAYERS: New students and families. Prayers for families with sick or ill family members. Special prayers for end of year testing for students in Grades 3-7. Prayers for enrollment as we finalize registration for the 2017-18 school year.

BLESSINGS, Mindy Reeder – mreeder@nativitybloomington.org

BID ONLINE OR JOIN US SATURDAY TO BID ON THESE BEAUTIFUL CLASSROOM PROJECTS!

Just a sample of the many wonderful classroom projects to bid on during the Spirit of Spring event!



Supportthemass.org ([Click](#)) is the place to sign up and May 3 is the deadline. We want you to come as our guest that evening if you are interested. **Just use the word PRINCIPAL when you sign up for a ticket.** We have many attending but want you to be a part of this difference!