

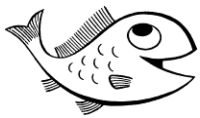
News & Notes



Dear Nativity Families:

Our teachers look forward to meeting with you this next Monday and Tuesday, March 12 & 13th during conferences. (Please remember, there is no school for Preschool to Grade 8 on these two days.) We value the partnership we have with you in the education of your children and look forward to sharing your child's progress and goals.

Welcome back to Sarah Thornton, our school tutor for K-6th grades. She was out on maternity and is excited to return to assist our students. Jill Schreiber-Smith was a blessing during her absence and we are thankful for their commitment to ensuring that every child receives the support that they need!



6th MEN'S CLUB FISH FRY-March 16: SELL FISH FRY TICKETS AND WIN CASH! The 6th annual Nativity of Mary fish fry is a week from Friday and this is the last weekend to sell advance tickets to friends, family and neighbors and save. There are several prizes your

kids can win with first place getting \$100 and six day passes to Nickelodeon Universe at Mall of America! Plus, everyone can win out of uniform passes! More tickets available in the school office. **Please remember, advanced sales of fish fry tickets ends Wednesday, March 14th.** All unsold tickets and money raised should be returned to the school office to be picked up by the Men's Club. Men's Club thanks you for all your help for making this such fun event.

LENTEN FOCUS: Continue to join us for weekly Mass each Thursday, Friday Adoration and Stations of the Cross. Students in 3-8th grade will have Reconciliation on Thursday, March 15. (There will not be Mass this day.)

K-6 COUNSELOR: Our school counselor, Jackie Virnig, has been busy with various classes. Here is what your children have been learning:

- Kindergarten: Lessons on how to be a good listener
 - 1st Grade: Fun games to learn about how unique we are and to accept ourselves
 - 2nd Grade: Listened to a story about an elephant's perseverance
 - 3rd Grade: Upcoming lesson on empathy and kindness
 - 4th Grade: In March, they will talk about respect, for themselves and others
 - 5th Grade: Fun lessons to enforce working hard and trying our best
 - 6th Grade: On-going discussions to take care of ourselves and others, physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.
- In addition, Kindergarten and 1st grade, and 2nd and 3rd grade have been meeting in smaller, friendship groupings.



HOLLYWOOD

Night at Nativity of Mary School

Saturday, April 21 ~ 6 p.m.

Save the Date!



NATIVITY
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NEWS & NOTES
MARCH 8, 2018

****FRIDAYS:**

Adoration (9-2 p.m.)
& Stations (3 p.m.)

MARCH 9: End of
Trimester #2
Stations of the Cross
3 p.m.-5th Grade

MARCH 12 & 13:
Conferences
(NO SCHOOL)

MARCH 15: NO MASS -
Reconciliation

MARCH 16: Wear Green
for St. Patrick's Day!
3 p.m. STATIONS OF
THE CROSS
4-9 p.m.-FISH FRY!

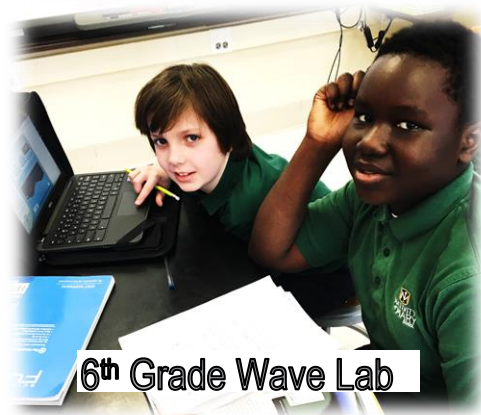
MARCH 26-APRIL 2:
EASTER BREAK – NO
SCHOOL

MISSION: *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.*

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR 2018-19-DUE APRIL 6:

- **Preschool & Kindergarten Registration:** We have only a few spots left in our 3 and 5 Day Classes. REGISTER NOW! You may download your registration form! [PRESCHOOL FORM](#) [K-8 FORM](#)
- **Online Registration for Grades 1-8 for 2018-19-DUE April 6!** The email was sent out, as well as paper forms. If you didn't get a link, here is the online registration form – <http://mytads.com/a/nativitybloomington>
- **TADS Financial Aid from Nativity DUE-April 6:** Please complete your financial aid [TADS.COM](#) and apply early!



KUDOS:

- **Jill Schreiber-Smith:** *Thank you for serving as our long-term sub in tutoring!*
- **Men's Club!** *Thank you for your time and gift of service on many recent classroom projects!*
- **March 11- Raffle Winner for the 52 Club is....Karen Archambault –\$100!**

REMINDERS:

- **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Recess and lunch volunteers needed daily: [Recess Link](#)
- **BUTTER BRAID SALES – Due March 14**
- **ANNUAL FUND:** To date we have raised **\$48,808 of our \$75,000** goal. Your place of employment may match your gift, please ask and double your donation!

IN YOUR FOLDER: In your folder this week, you will find...

- **SPIRIT OF SPRING – Packets**
- **Various Community Education Fliers**

PRAYER: Join us in praying for the gift of patience, this month's "Fruit of the Holy Spirit."

BLESSINGS, Mindy Reeder - mreeder@nativitybloomington.org



HOST A STUDENT FROM KOREA FOR 2018-19: KoAm Education Alliance encourages you to open your heart and home to a Korean exchange student. We are seeking host families for the new 2018-19 school year. Hosting a KoAm exchange student is much like having an adopted son or daughter, a semester or a year at a time. KoAm students arrive with round-trip airline tickets, complete medical insurance, tuition, school fees, and personal spending money for the duration of their stay. The exchange student gives the host family a monetary gift. Please contact KoAm Coordinator Nicole Riebe at [952-217-5510](tel:952-217-5510) or Haewon Park at [651-300-2380](tel:651-300-2380) or [800-521-6640](tel:800-521-6640) and/or by email at administrator@koameduall.org. To apply online, visit www.koameduall.org and click 'Apply to Be a Host Family'.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NOTES

MIDDLE SCHOOL LUNCH "A-La-Carte": All items are only .50 cents each and will be available for sale during the middle school lunch period, only. Students can come down with money to purchase a la carte items in the morning and will receive tickets. This way, families can control how much they spend on extra items and it won't drain the lunch account!



NEW 7th & 8th GRADE MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNSELOR: Hello Nativity of Mary families! My name is Natalie Swiler and I am the new school counselor for Nativity. I am a licensed school counselor and completed my Master's Degree in School Counseling from the University of Minnesota last May and my Bachelor's degree from DePauw University in 2013. In my free time I enjoy coaching hockey and lacrosse, cooking/baking, and spending time with my family! I am excited for this opportunity to work with your students. I have experience counseling in several schools and settings in the metro area. I hope to use a combination of individual counseling, group counseling and classroom guidance to help students learn more about themselves as well as providing them resources for their transition to high school and life beyond high school!

If you have any questions for me, feel free to email: nswiler@isd271.org

