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STUDENTS RECEIVE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

– God was certainly blessing our second graders (and one 4th grader) with a perfect spring day for Holy Communion. I want to thank Cindy Bernsten, Sandie Hoy, and Sharon Perkins for all the work they did preparing our second graders to receive this important sacrament. Jesus Day went very well. All the children were eager participants in all the activities, and they used it to get themselves in a good “place” to receive God through Communion. Our second grade Precious Blood First Communicants were Rose Abraham, Kebba Archimalo, Courtney Ballinger, Margaret Butler, Gabrielle Coleman, Joseph Discher, Colin Downing, Bradlee Elders, Josie Forsthoff, Cahalan Hickey, Anna Kutter, Allie Murray, Ghiman McKinney, Erin Norman, Collin Piser, Julian Thomasson, and Essence Thornton. The day was complete because fourth grader, Nick Butler, received his First Holy Communion, too.



GOD SQUAD HAS A SPIRITED SPRING

– The God Squad has been very busy with their Garber House partners this spring. Last Friday, GS members interviewed and got to know the residents on a personal basis. Time spent talking together, really listening to each other, is one of the most valuable gifts that our students and the Garber House residents could have for each other. In addition, students also found time to play indoor and outdoor games, eat scrumptious food, and even help out in the gardens. Upcoming projects include making spring placemats for House of Bread to be delivered by a representative group on May 11, gathering to plant plants in the freshly weeded and

hoed garden, and do a turn-about. Precious Blood kids will experience the games with handicaps! Many thanks to Mrs. Maloney for getting the service group up and active, also thanks to staff and parents who make it all possible. God Squad will visit and work with Garber House residents again on May 22.

8TH GRADER HAS ART ON DISPLAY – Congratulations go to Kelsee Thomas for having her art work selected from the 2009 Catholic Schools Week Creative Spirit Art Show at the University of Dayton, and her work will be on display at the Trinity Center Catholic Schools offices. Her work was purchased by the center and will be seen by visitors and employees in the center for many years to come. Way to go, Kelsee!



GRADE 4 ATHLETES DO US PROUD – Though I don't have the "official" results from the Fitness Challenge held at Tipp City last Saturday, I can tell you that our fourth graders represented themselves, our school, and their Dayton Catholic North team, very well. Not only did they dominate in most of the events they participated in (☺), but they also demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship and good manners. Many thanks to Mrs. Geisendorff for getting the kids organized and involved and to Miss Powers and Mrs. Artin for supporting the kids during a beautiful day at the track.

POWER SCHOOL: Are you taking advantage of seeing your student's up-to-the-minute grades on line? Parents who are using this on-line grade system report good news. They like being able to see what grade their student received on tests, projects, and if assignments are handed in on time. Fourth quarter interim grades were issued May 1. Did you see your 4th, 5th, or junior high student's grades? If not, visit the PB website and click on Power School. You will need your personal password to navigate the site. Have you forgotten it? Simply e-mail Ed Farmer at efarmer@preciousbloodschool, and he will help you.

SUMMER SCHOOL! A CHANCE TO BRUSH UP ON SKILLS – Precious Blood will offer summer school courses in Math, English, Science and Social Studies for students entering 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th grade. Classes will be held daily from June 15 – 26. Morning sessions take place from 9:00-11:00AM; afternoon classes are from 11:30-1:30PM. Each course includes 20 hours of instruction and costs \$200.

FLY THAT FLAG!!

Have you noticed the PB flags designed by PB students and sewn by Mrs. Carol Bernard? Students created four different PB flags, symbolizing the wonderful characteristics of our school. Mrs. Fraser and her STEP students have these flags on display in the main hallway, and we hope to be able to fly one of these flags outside on special days.

Please continue to support the 5th and 6th grade STEP students' PENNIES FOR PEACE Project which supports educational needs for the impoverished children in Pakistan and Afghanistan. As of May 1, our students have collected 35,000 pennies (which means \$350.00). The students' goal is 90,000 pennies (\$900.00) by the end of the year. We may not think much of a penny, but to those living in poverty, PENNIES HAVE POWER!

COOL SCHOOL Channel 22/45 made Precious Blood one of its feature schools on Tuesday, May 5th. The taping was originally scheduled for Friday, May 1, but production schedules prevented it from happening. What's so cool about Precious Blood? How many stars are there in the sky? Solid academics, deep spirituality, active and dedicated parent and community volunteers, dominant athletics, vibrant arts experiences, hands-on field trips to Aullwood, a commitment to service (canned food drives, migrant worker support, fundraisers for children around the world), talented teachers.... And, most importantly, 306 of the most delightful students anyone could think of assembling in one place. We work hard and play well. Cool!!!



NEWS FROM CHAMINADE JULIENNE

Eagle Youth Football and Cheerleading Parents Meeting

An organizational meeting for parents for the Eagle Youth Football and Cheerleading teams will be held on Wednesday, May 20 in CJ's cafeteria. These programs are for students entering grades 3-8 next year. Contact Mr. Chuck Szabo '72, at 286-0762 or cszabo@woh.rr.com for more information.

2009 Eagles Summer Camps

The latest 2009 Eagles Summer Camps listing and registration form are available online at www.cjeagles.org. This year's offerings include basketball, cheerleading, dance team, football, soccer, tennis, volleyball, wrestling, Laffalot sports sampler, and creative writing. Camps begin the week of June 8. Visit CJ's Web site for more details or call 461-3740 x294.

CAFETERIA NEWS There will be NO charging after May 8th, ALL charges MUST be paid by May 29th"



COOKIE DOUGH SALE A SUCCESS – Many thanks to all the students and parents who worked so hard to make our Cookie Dough sale a success. The sale, sponsored by Home and School, netted over \$3,800 – to be used for the benefit of the teachers and students. A special treat found its way to each of the top three selling classes. Miss Powers' 4th graders took 3rd place (cookie and juice party), Mrs. Artin's 4th graders took 2nd place (cookie and juice party), and Mrs. Hoy's 2nd graders took first place (pizza party). Congratulations go to our top, cookie dough seller, 4th grader Tavion Barnett. He won a personal CD player for his sweet efforts. Way to go Tavion!

SWINE FLU (H1N1) A BIG TOPIC No one can escape the coverage given to the recent swine flu outbreak. At Precious Blood, we are following the guidelines set out by the CDC and Ohio Department of Health. Should a case ever be confirmed at Precious Blood, we will immediately notify parents through One-Call-Now. Meanwhile, the best prevention is common sense – wash your hands, control your cough, get plenty of rest (see the attached handout). For more information, The Ohio Department of Health has established a toll-free information line for Ohioans with questions about swine flu. The information line – 1-866-800-1404 – is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For updated information in Dayton area and Montgomery County, please visit <http://www.phdmc.org/> or call the hotline, (937) 225-6217, 8- 4:30 M-F. The ODH swine flu hotline number is 1-866-800-1404 (from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS – YEARBOOK

Lights, Camera, Action! Let's go behind the scenes of the P.B. Drama Club's latest attraction. The name of the play is Yearbook by Steven Fendrich. Directors Mrs. Ricciuto, Mr. Sorrell, Mrs. Geisendorff, and Mrs. Artin are helping the cast of 6th, 7th and 8th graders put on the most interesting play ever. Yearbook is about four high school students, a couple of yearbook committee members and their helpers, as they get a sneak peek at their school's yearbook. They lead the audience into sometimes comical, sometimes sad flashbacks of the year's most memorable happenings (presented by the rest of the capable cast). Using poetry, quotes from famous people, tricycles, lots of boxes, and a sense of timing Yearbook promises to remind the audience of the goodness of our young people.

Come and see for yourself the lights, camera, and action of Yearbook on Thurs., MAY 7th and/or Fri., MAY 8th at 7 P.M. in the PAC. A free-will donation will be accepted.

THREE PB TEACHERS HONORED Special praise and recognition went out to the three teachers honored at the Catholic School Teacher Recognition Banquet on May 5th. Congratulations to Regina Emery for completing her first decade in teaching, and to Ann Vogel for the completion of her second decade, and to Annette Dodsworth for completion of her third-and-a-half! Counting by tens is a fast way to grab numbers, but in no way captures the hundreds of thousands of moments that make their more than simple attendance at a job. Instead, tucked within those decades have been countless vignettes aimed at forming meaningful learning experiences for children. Congratulations to each of them.



HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS – Once again, we want to thank everyone for doing such a fantastic job with our Cookie Dough Fundraiser. **Would you like to become more involved in Home and School?** We need your help and invite you to volunteer to work with one of our committees or officer positions. Home and School is always looking to get new ideas and to respond to your dreams for how we can make Precious Blood the best school possible. If you want to be contacted, just call the school office and leave your name.

PB STUDENTS REACH OUT - Generosity equals: 320 packs of gum, 18 candy bars, 60 batteries, 23 packs of beef jerky, and 1500 (17 packs) of baby wipes! Seventh and eighth grade students and families donated all these items to Air Force soldiers in Afghanistan. Soldiers who recently lost several servicemen in a tank attack needed some encouragement and support from home. The junior high students stepped up and wrote letters of appreciation and thanks and collected donations. The soldiers love baby wipes since it is so dry there and use them daily to clean their hands, faces, and personal items. They also like gum and beef jerky since it holds well for long periods of time. Mrs. Weizman is very proud of the quality of writing and number of items collected for such a short period of time for this service project. THANK YOU, parents!

May & June Dates to Remember

MAY

- Weds, 6 - May Crowning, 7:00PM
- May 7&8 - Drama Club Play, *Yearbook*, 7:00PM
- Friday, 8 - God Squad to Garber House, 3:00 – 5:40
- Tuesday, 12 - Elementary Band Concert, CJ 7:00PM
- Weds, 13 - Grade 4 to Aullwood
- Chris Rowlands in Concert, 7:00PM, Bing Davis Art Unveiling
- Thursday, 14 - Home and School Assn. 7:00PM
- Friday, 15 - Junior High Dance, 7:00 – 10:00PM

- May 18-22 - 8th Grade at Washington, DC
- Thursday, 21 - Spirit Day
- CJ Baccalaureate, 7:30PM
- Friday, 22 - God Squad to Garber House, 3:00 – 5:40
- Saturday, 23 - CJ Graduation, Schuster Center, 11:00AM
- Monday, 25 - Memorial Day, No School
- Friday, 29 - Field Day

JUNE

- Weds, 3 - 8th Grade Graduation in Church, 7:00 PM
- Friday, 5 - Field Day (rain date), Last Day of School ☺



DISTINGUISHED HONOR ROLL – THIRD QUARTER 2008-2009

**Nnaemeka Anene
Mark Barhorst
Taylor Bridgett
Airrea Durden
Lindsay Dwire
Gabrielle Elders
Gabby Farrow
Daniel Feldmann
Conor Hickey
Akintoye Kuti
Olivia Levine
Jacob Murray
Lauren Pegues
Steve Ramos
Arianna Reid
Francesca Weizman**

FIRST HONORS – THIRD QUARTER 2008-2009

**Isabella Anene
Ify Archimalo
Kaitlin Blanchard
Jacob Coleman
Kyleigh Denson
Casey Dwire
Maria Emery
Alana Ewald
Catherine Grady
Taylor Hayes
Michelle Hibbard
Barry Kingston
Rosie Kingston
Willie Lindsey, III
Kyle McKinney
Marcie Meyers
Marina Sorrell
Jordan Thomasson
Terri Vo
Jumarion Wills
Antwand Wilson, Jr.**

SECOND HONORS – THIRD QUARTER 2008-2009

**Nnamdi Anene
Antonia Arnold
Chantel Bester
Kenny Bester
Tonae' Boddie
Tony Boddie, Jr.
Ahkeem Brown
Nicholas Butler
Shawn Cokes
Quinn Corrado
Khristina Dare
Messiah deWeaver
Brianna Douglas
Kenisia Fletcher
Kiera Fletcher
Marques Furr
Sarah Grady
Chenayah Grissom
Xavier Gullatte
Puja Harjani
Aaron Hayes
Va'Lante Hinton
William Howard
Destiney Jones**

**Kadeim Jones
Vincent Kassis
Maxwell Leibold
Travis Malone
Ian Moorefield
Adrienne Myton
Makayla Nash
Mawusi Nenonene
Alexia Onuoha
Alexis Onuoha
Cassidie Pavelka
Maresha Peavy
Michael Radford
Ta'Veon Reed
Craig Rice, Jr.
Harrison Smith
Jordan Smith
Brandon Spearman
Michael Spencer
Brandon Sutherland
Kelsee Thomas
Cyrah Ward
Christopher Williams
Tommy Yoshida**

