

CKRS Principal Post

February 6, 2018

Dear CKRS Families and Friends,
This past week certainly proved multiple times that miracles surely do still happen! Our Catholic School Week went without a hiccup, our Homeless to Homeblessed Project went without a hitch, and the EAGLES went onto Victory without any of us having a heart attack! Once again, from the fullness of God's grace, we have all received one blessing after another and our grateful hearts shout THANK YOU!



As we move into this week, there are a few matters to be addressed for the good order and continued success of the school.

EAGLES PARADE: Per Diocesan directive, CKRS will be open on Thursday. We will be operating a full day schedule with some modifications to accommodate the anticipated absence of many of our children who will be attending the Eagles Victory Parade with their respective families. Children who attend the parade will simply be marked with a non-medical absence. Please do not send them to school only to ask they be released an hour later. Four hours of instruction is needed to meet legal attendance requirements. If you are attending the Parade alone and leaving your children here at school, please arrange for alternate pick-up plans or pre-register them with after-care in case you return is delayed due to the still swelling crowd size and the transportation issues it will bring. Three words of advice: High Speed Line!!!

RE-REGISTRATION: Please do so ASAP. Some grades are close to capacity and we need to know exact numbers before accepting others who want to come to CKRS. If there is any issue preventing you, please call me or Mrs. Dickson to talk through the concern. An accurate count is needed to forge our budget in order to prepare for the next academic year.

RED, WHITE, & BUBBLY BINGO: We need your help to make this night a success. Men are needed to help set up and serve as the host of the evening and women are need to come out and have fun and enjoy a night that will lift your spirit and support our school's enrichment programs that benefit all our children here at CKRS. No need to come with a group of friends, there will be plenty there already! Please see the attached flyer regarding details of this annual fun and fantastic event.

LATENESS TO SCHOOL: Sadly, too many children are arriving to school late on a regular basis. School begins in the Gym at 8:15 and those arriving between 8:16 and 8:24 may enter through the back cafeteria door and will be marked late by the Teacher Monitor and proceed directly to Homeroom. **Homeroom begins at 8:20 and ends at 8:30 when formal academic classes begin.** Any child who comes in past 8:30 not only is losing important instructional time but moreover disrupts the good order of the school, (attendance count, lunch order, and lack of knowledge of the school or homeroom directives of the day) and negatively impacts and interferes with the educational process of the teacher and all the other students in their classroom. In response to this increasing tardiness among some who are habitually late, **CHILDREN ARRIVING AFTER 8:25, ONCE THE BACK CAFETERIA DOOR IS LOCKED, MUST BE ESCORTED INTO THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING BY AN ADULT WHO WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN THEM IN AND GIVE A REASON FOR THE LATENESS. CHILDREN THAT HAVE MORE THAN ONE UNEXCUSED LATENESS IN ANY ROLLING TWO WEEK PERIOD WILL BE ISSUED A DETENTION AND A PARENT CONFERENCE WILL BE ARRANGED** to discuss the persisting problem of tardiness and a possible solution or recourse for the problem. As always, if a real and significant reason exists that either causes your child(ren) to be frequently late, please contact me to discuss the matter. Otherwise, please adjust your schedule to be here by 8:15. Thank you.

Homeless to Homeblessed M25 Mission of Mercy: Thank you to each and every one of you who in any way supported this miraculous endeavor in giving your time, your talent, your treasure, your thoughtful prayers and your tenacious toil. In the words and spirit of Mother Teresa, with all of us working together as a CKRS community of Faith, “we truly did something beautiful for God”. A link to a short a slide show presentation that Mrs. Herman helped me make will be on our web page. I hope you take the time to look at it as each picture is worth more than a thousand words. Another M25 Move-In Miracle in March is being planned as a Lenten exercise of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. More information will be forthcoming about this opportunity to learn, to love and to serve God through helping those in need among us.

As the month of February unfolds, CKRS has some wonderful enriching experiences lined up to celebrate our cultural and racial diversity in recognition of Black History Month, Catholic Lenten Traditions and overall CKRS community spirit. To start, next Monday, our children will be enthralled by the renowned Young Audience’s “Hip- Hop Fundamentals” Troupe that centers on the Civil Rights movement and the quest for Peace and Justice and the need for compassion and courage for and with all God’s people. On Fat Tuesday February 13th, we will celebrate both Valentine’s Day & Mardi Gras, We will observe Ash Wednesday with Mass on the 14th at 9:00 a.m. and launch our Crusade of good works to carry us through Lent and towards God redemptive grace.

In the King’s Service,
Mrs. Hartman



I love the
recklessness of
faith. First you
leap, and then
you grow wings.”