



# Cathedral School News—2/5/2020

## A Message from Mrs. Gallagher-Kosmatka

Yesterday we celebrated the 100th day of school. How quickly the school year is going!!! Last week was a fun-filled celebration of Catholic Schools Week. Highlights from our planned events and activities included:

- **Children's Museum** outing on Saturday, January 25: Thank you to our **PTO Leadership Team of Jessica Neubauer, Kelly Nowicki VanRooyen, Jill VandenLangenberg, and Sarah Wabaunsee** for organizing this family event to kick off Catholic Schools Week!!!
- **Thank you SNOW much booklets** were delivered to parishes on January 25 and 26. Thank you to the **Grabowski, Grace, Jorgensen, McGovern, Miller, Sherrill, Slattery, Boado, Arvidson and Williams families** who delivered these to their home parish!!!
- **Grade Level Dress Day** on Monday, January 27: Grade 2 students made special Valentines, Grade 1 students had an afternoon work-out, 5K students engaged in STEM activities, 4K and 3P students enjoyed snow-painting, gem hunting and hot chocolate outside. Thanks to all of our **Cathedral faculty and staff** for their efforts in preparing these fun activities.
- **Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas Mass** celebrated by Bishop William Callahan on Tuesday, January 28: Our 5K, grade 1 and grade 2 students were part of this ACS Mass. They impressed everyone with their joyful and enthusiastic singing. How proud we all were of them!!!
- **Board Game Day at Blessed Sacrament** on Tuesday, January 28: Thank you to Blessed Sacrament faculty and staff for a fun afternoon.
- **Faculty and Staff lunch** on Wednesday, January 29: Thank you to the PTO who provided a wonderful lunch for all of us. Thank you to the parent/grandparent volunteers who assisted in the lunchroom, at recess, and in the classroom.
- **Parent Breakfast** on Thursday, January 30: Special thanks to all those parents who shared a morning breakfast with their students. As I stated at breakfast, all of us at Cathedral Elementary School thank you for entrusting your children to our care. Thank you to **Cabin Coffee owners, Edward and Catherine Bauer, grandparents of Emma Nielsen**, for donating the coffee for this event. Thank you to **Mrs. Kim Bagniefski and Mrs. Margy Gundersen, Cathedral Kitchen Staff, and Mr. Paul Chenier, Cathedral Maintenance Staff**, for their efforts in preparing breakfast for everyone.
- **Boot skating** with the 3P and 4K students and **Roller Skating** with the 5K-grade 2 students. Thank you to **Mrs. Knapmiller and Mrs Czeiska** for organizing these activities. Thank you to the many parents who helped at these events.

There is so much to celebrate in our Catholic Schools and specifically at Cathedral Elementary School. We shall continue to see the good and happiness in every day. Thank you again for your participation and support of Catholic Education!!!

In service of your children,



Mrs. Patty Gallagher-Kosmatka  
Principal, Cathedral Elementary School



## 2020-21 Enrollment



A reminder that families with students currently enrolled in Aquinas Catholic Schools are asked to re-enroll their student(s) on or before Friday, February 28 using our Aquinas Catholic Schools Skyward software.

Any children new to Aquinas Catholic Schools must complete the initial enrollment process in paper form or may use the on-line initial enrollment application form that is on the ACS web page. At Cathedral School, we hosted "Get To Know Us" tours yesterday and this afternoon for families new to Cathedral who may be interested in attending next school year. Please note that for the 3P, 4K and 5K programs children must be 3, 4, or 5 years of age respectively prior to September 1, 2020 in order to enroll.

It is a joy and privilege to serve our families in the education of your children. It has been a wonderful school year and I look forward to the same joy and energy in 2020-21. Feel free to contact me or our Cathedral school office at 698-782-5998 or Nancy Pederson, ACS Enrollment Coordinator, at 608-784-8585 if you have any questions regarding the enrollment process.

## Grade 2 Open House

Blessed Sacrament School is hosting an Open House on Monday February 10 at 3:30 p.m. for parents to learn more about the grade 3 program and transition to Blessed Sacrament. Please note that a letter with more detail regarding this was sent home to parents with your grade 2 student.



## Boy Scout Thank You

Special thank you goes to the Cathedral Wolf Den under the leadership of Lance Hughey, father of Christopher and Mark Dickson, father of Charlie, who donated a Wisconsin flag to Cathedral School. They earned funds doing a can collection for the Aquinas Booster Club in order to pay for the flag. The flag is proudly displayed in our worship area. THANK YOU!!!

## PTO Reminder

February Meeting = Wednesday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m. at Cathedral.



## Parish News



The Mardi Gras crews will be visiting Cathedral on Friday, February 21 at 8:05 - 8:45 a.m. Thank you to the many parish and community members who support our Mardi Gras events.

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## AQUINAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS MISSION STATEMENT

Aquinas Catholic Schools is a  
Christ-centered family  
devoted to nurturing students of all faiths  
through educational excellence  
in its vibrant Catholic tradition.

### CORE VALUES

**FAITH**—Serving Jesus and His Church  
**INTEGRITY**—Cultivating moral character  
**EXCELLENCE**—Pursuing daily improvement  
through life-long learning  
**LEADERSHIP**—Inspiring achievement  
and stewardship  
**DIGNITY**—Respecting God, others and self

<https://www.aquinascatholicschools.org/ces-home>

## School Calendar Reminders

Friday, February 7	Cathedral Spirit Day- Cathedral shirt with dress code or non-dress code bottoms
Saturday, February 8	Mardi Gras Ball at Radisson
Wednesday, February 12	Mass at 9:00 a.m. led by Miss Wirth's class PTO Meeting 6:00 p.m. (All parents welcome)
Friday, February 14	HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
Sunday, February 16	Cathedral Pancake Breakfast- Cathedral Church undercroft 7:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.
Monday, February 17	NO SCHOOL- ACS In-Service
Wednesday, February 19	Mass at 9:00 a.m. led by Mrs. Vanish's class. Food collection "Children Feeding Children"
Friday, February 21	Crayola Box Top Dress Down Day . Students do not need to be in dress code. Any appropriate clothing can be worn. Mardi Gras visit 8:05 a.m.
Monday, February 24	February/August Birthday Lunch 11:00 a.m. 3P/4K Field Trip to Viterbo 9:30 a.m. Grade 1 Field Trip Viterbo Play 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 26	Ash Wednesday Mass at 9:00 a.m. led by Mrs. Dobbins' class
Friday, February 28	Book Fair begins Stations of the Cross 9:00 a.m. led by Mrs. Johanns' class