



Wednesday News

11.9.16

Dear Parents and Children –

What an incredible showing of the scientific and engineering by design process at this year's Science and Engineering Fair! All the hard work showed. Congratulations to all our budding scientists here at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School. A HUGE thank you to our very talented panel of judges: **Chris Biggins** (mother of Jack(2), Sophie (PK) & Science teacher at Gettysburg High School), **Patricia Marrocco** (Science Teacher & Dept Chair at Delone Catholic High School), **Lesa Bird** (Gettysburg College Advancing Science Educator), **Kathy Fleming** (Grandmother of Jacob(6), Molly(4), Lia(2), Abbie(K) & former Teacher), **Peter Martin** (father of Ben(8), Josh(4) & Engineer) and **Janis Gadow** (Science Teacher at Delone Catholic High School). Your thoughtful consideration of our young scientists' work is very much appreciated.

Many adults present Thursday evening commented on how well prepared and well-spoken all of our students were, especially in answering questions pertaining to their projects. Thank you to **Mrs. Amy Woods** for being available to her students at any hour to answer questions throughout the scientific process and assist in the final touches of their projects. See page 2 for the complete list of our Science and Engineering Fair Winners.

Friday, November 11th we will hold a special prayer service and assembly for Veteran's Day. We invite all veterans and their families to join us on this special day at 2pm in the Multipurpose Room at Xavier Center. Our prayer service will be led by our Student Council and all of our students have prepared special songs and dance for our veterans.

Saturday, November 12th our Parish will be hosting their Share the Love Gift Fair Holiday Bazaar. Please stop by and see all the wonderful vendors and timeless treasures.

Also Saturday, November 12th is our Annual Trivia Night for Adults only! Looking forward to seeing some of our families here that evening.

Just a reminder, Monday, November 14th will be a special "Pay to Dress Down Day" in memory of Mrs. Noreen Neitz's birthday. All proceeds will go towards the Noreen Neitz Memorial Scholarship fund.

Very Truly Yours,
Mrs. Rebecca Sieg

THANK YOU...

Thank you to all of our families and parishioners who supported our Hoss's Fundraiser Night last week. We were informed that we raised **\$558.80** for St. Francis Xavier Catholic School that evening. Thank you again for your support of this fundraiser.



SCIENCE FAIR 2016 SFXCS Science and Engineering Fair Winners

7th- Scientific Inquiry

Best Oral Presentation- "The Effects of Indoor Pool Air Quality on Swimmers"-**Hannah Brainard**

Best Board Presentation- "What Makes Planes Fly Farther?" by Ryan Norris

Most Creative Experiment- "The Effects of Indoor Pool Air Quality on Swimmers"-**Hannah Brainard**

Best Controlled Experiment- "The Effect of Different Toothpaste on Coke-Stained Eggs"-**Tessa Rill**

Runner Up for Overall Presentation- "The Effect of Different Toothpaste on Coke-Stained Eggs"-**Tessa Rill**

Champion for Overall Presentation- "The Effect of of Wind Resistance on Car Design"-**Rebecca Norris**

8th-Scientific Inquiry

Best Oral Presentation- "How Does Face Shape Affect Perception of Kindness?"-**Andrew Warthen**

Best Board Presentation- "What Makes a Penny Shine?"-**Cole Biesecker**

Most Creative Experiment- "What Areas have the Most Ozone?"-**Leanna Myers**

Best Controlled Experiment- "What are the Effects of Different Water Amounts on the Growth of Wheat?"-**Jake Boccabella**

Runner Up for Overall Presentation- "Lead in Local Soil"-**Emily Malesky**

Champion for Overall Presentation- "What Areas have the Most Ozone?"-**Leanna Myers**

Engineering Design Process (7th and 8th)

Best Oral Presentation- "Robotics Rethought"-**Veronica Marchak** (7th)

Best Board Presentation- "Curiosity 2.0"-**Danny Sautter** (8th)

Most Creative Design- "White Screen"-**Jovany Barrerra** (8th)

Best Created Prototype- "Shock Resistant Phone Case"-**Trinity Wajda** (7th)

Runner Up for Overall Presentation- "Brainguard"-**Jonah Brainard** (7th)

Champion for Overall Presentation- "Wind Tunnel- Visualizing Airflow and Measuring Lift"-**Griffith Kotlinski** (7th)

SAINT OF THE WEEK

"Be sure that you first preach by the way you live. If you do not, people will notice that you say one thing, but live otherwise, and your words will bring only cynical laughter and a derisive shake of the head.

~ St. Charles Borromeo



Thank you to one and all for collecting, cutting and organizing their Box Tops for the fall turn in October 5th. The grand total of Box Tops collected was 6,879, which will translate into \$687.90 for St. Francis Xavier Catholic School. We are 1/3 of the way to our goal of \$2,000 for the 2016-2017 school year.

Congratulations to Mrs. Flemings 2nd grade class for turning in 1,664 total Box Tops which has earned them an ice cream party for their accomplishment.

Keep on collecting!!! The Holidays are fast approaching, and we encourage you to employ the help of everyone you know including your church family, co-workers, neighbors, friends, and relatives to clip Box Tops from their products to help St. Francis meet its goal.

The next turn in for the Box Tops will be February 3, which is on the tail end of Catholic Schools Week. There will be special incentives for those turning in the Box Tops during this time. There will be more details to follow as the time draws near.

Thank you again to everyone for your support and the volunteers who helped preparing the Box Tops for mailing.



Life Quote

“Though you may have not formally studied philosophy, though you may not have imagined yourself as a champion of inalienable rights and the common good or seen yourself as a defender of the intrinsic dignity of personhood within the culture, there is no one more suited to the task of rescuing the culture than you... Whatever our call might be, no matter how grand or small, we must commit ourselves to doing something, for this is true freedom.” ~ Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2016-2017



November 11	Veteran's Day Assembly	March 12 nd Grade	Parent & Child Class
November 12	Trivia Night	9:30-10:45am	
November 20	8 th Grade Parent & Child Class 6-7:30pm	March 14-17	Middle States Visiting Team at SFXCS
November 22	SAB meeting 6:30pm	March 17	Noon Early Dismissal (faculty meeting with Middle States Team)
Nov 23-28	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break	March 19	4 th Grade Parent & Child Class 9:30-10:45am
December 3	Confirmation Retreat	March 20-22	CoGAT Testing
December 6	Christmas Program 7pm (snow date 12/15)	March 26	6 th Grade Parent & Child Class 9:30-10:45am
December 13	PTO meeting 6:30pm	March 28	SAB meeting 6:30pm
December 14	Santa's Workshop (New)	April 3- 7	ITBS Testing Grades 3-8
December 17	Noreen Neitz Memorial 5K Run at the Rock	April 11	PTO meeting 6:30pm
December 20	SAB Finance meeting 6pm	April 12-17	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
Dec 23- Jan 2	NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break	April 18	SAB Finance meeting 6pm
January 10	PTO meeting 6:30pm	April 28	Confirmation 7pm
January 16	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King, Jr Day	May 6	1 st Holy Communion 10am
January 23	Joint Parish & SAB Finance meeting 6:30pm	May 9	PTO meeting 6:30pm
January 24	SAB meeting 6:30pm	May 13	PTO Paint Event
January 28	PTO Paint Event	May 16	SAB meeting 6:30pm
Jan 29 - Feb 4	Catholic Schools Week	May 23	8 th Grade Graduation (tentative)
February 7	PTO meeting 6:30pm	TBA	Pre-K Graduation
Feb 17&20	NO SCHOOL - Presidents Day Holiday	TBA	Kindergarten Graduation
February 21	SAB Finance meeting 6pm	May 26	Noon Early Dismissal for Memorial Day Weekend
February 25	PTO Purse BINGO	May 29	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
March 4	Night at the Races	May 31	Last Day of School Closing Mass (tentative)

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