

## Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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## **DMCS Newsletter February 14, 2019**

Dear Parents-

Happy Valentine's Day! It is a great day to spread LOVE to everyone we meet.

During our weekly Monday Morning Meeting, we talked about the character trait of LOVE and the great role models we have of what true love looks like. Jesus, Mary and St. Valentine are all people who gave selflessly of themselves for others. They are people whose example we can aspire to follow. May you enjoy a great Valentine's Day with your families. Spread the LOVE!!!!

Please remember that there is No School on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> and Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. These are scheduled days off for K-5 students. We are hoping for a regular week after that!

Spring Conferences are coming up. Conferences for students in grades K-5 are optional and can be made by parent or teacher request. All preschool children need a conference. Please watch for a link to Sign-up Genius sent by your child's teacher. You can schedule a meeting once you receive this. Thank you!

Book Week is February 25-March 1. We have author Mike Wohnoutka visiting our school that Monday. We are excited to welcome him! Please see the schedules for Preschool and K-5 for specifics on the rest of the week.

March is just around the corner and with it, Lent. Ash Wednesday is March 6<sup>th</sup>. This begins the 40 Days of Lent leading up to Easter. We emphasize prayer, fasting/abstinence, and almsgiving in our preparations with the students. It is great to set a Lenten goal around these themes. Remember that fasting and abstinence don't have to be about food alone. You can fast from screen time or abstain from saying cruel things. There are all sorts of ways to work this into your preparation. We will continue to emphasize service to others as almsgiving. How will you and your family prepare for Easter during Lent this year?

Registration for next year is occurring now! Make sure you follow the link sent to you by TADS to confirm your registration. Please call if you have any questions. We value you and your child at Divine Mercy Catholic School!

I hope you get outside to enjoy some of the wonderful snow. Gotta love Minnesota!

God Bless!

Gina Ashley

"The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith."

1 Timothy 1:5





Congratulations to fifth grader Langston Richter and fourth grader Abby Bauer who participated in the Regional Spelling Bee in Rochester on February 11. You did an outstanding job representing DMCS! We are proud of both of you!

2019 Spelling Bee Friday, February 22nd, is our next turn in day for the Catholic United Financial Raffle. This year

we are raising funds for **new cafeteria tables and upgrades.**Students who turn in 10 tickets will be eligible for prize drawings on Tuesday. The top selling student will receive an Amazon Dot (Echo). Top classroom will receive a pizza party. Thank you for your support!

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> <u>ALL Catholic United</u> <u>Financial raffle tickets</u> <u>MUST</u> be turned in next week. ALL paid and unpaid tickets MUST be returned.

FINAL WEEK

## **Dates to Remember**

- Feb. 15 No School DMCS
- Feb. 18 President's Day No School DMCS
- Feb. 20 8:30 Mass Gr. 2 Host Gr. 3 to Science Museum
- Feb. 22 Reward Dress Down Day
- Feb. 25 Gr. 3 to River Bend Nature Center
- Feb. 27 Bus Driver Appreciation Day!

  Zoo Mobile to visit Faithful Beginnings
- Feb. 28 Gr. 1 to River Bend Nature Center Spring Conference





## Attached/Included to Folder

- Financial Aid Information (attached)
- Catholic United Raffle Ticket Flier
- Donald's Uniform Sale Flier (attached)
- Book Week Flier (attached)
- Faribault Fastpitch (girls Gr. 2-5)





