

## Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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### DMCS eNewsletter November 7, 2019

Dear Parents-

Ah November...it has arrived with a vengeance! I have to admit that the snow on Wednesday took me by surprise. Now this might be a reflection on how little I watch television or read the newspaper, or just on how out of touch I have been, but it could also just be my eternal optimism that we would enjoy another stretch a great weather before Thanksgiving. Whatever the cause, Wednesday happened and now we have entered the season of snowpants, boots, hats, mittens, scarves, etc. etc. I have asked the office staff to take a picture of the lost and found table every week and send it home with the newsletter. If you see something that belongs to your family, please call and claim it. I am amazed every year how many things end up unclaimed.

Thank you for your time attending conferences. This opportunity to sit down and interface with your child's teacher is so important. Working together this year, you can facilitate the best possible educational and social/emotional outcomes possible. Each student is so unique. It is important for you to have this time to discuss what is going well for your child and what areas need improving. Education is a life-long journey and we are honored to help you and your child in this process.

We are packing a lot of fun into the month of November!

**Prairie Fire Children's Theatre** will be with us the week of November 18<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup>. They will be putting on the production of Cinderella. This is an incredible opportunity provided by our Parent/Teacher Organization for our students to be involved in a theatre production. Two talented actors shepherd all students who try-out through the week. They teach parts and choreograph stage productions ending with a full-fledged play by Friday night. We encourage you to attend and see the production.

With only two full weeks before **Thanksgiving**, we are working on our gratitude practices and will be collecting non-perishable items for our food collection at Mass on November 20<sup>th</sup>. This is a wonderful time to stress service to others and gratitude for what we have with children. I encourage you to begin traditions in your home that provide for these practices as well. I know that some of my children's richest memories surround the traditions we started when they were very young. It helps to know it was worth the time and the effort.

Our DMCS first round **Spelling Bee** will be held Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM. Students in grades 3-5 who have performed well on the in-class spelling test will participate to see who will continue on to the next round.

I hope that your November is filled with moments to be grateful for. I am filled with gratitude for all of you and the wonderful school community I am blessed to be a part of every day.

God Bless You!

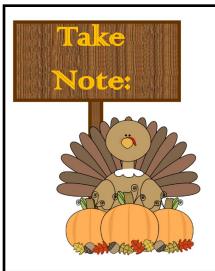
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I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phil 4:13



It's that time of year...BUTTERBRAIDS ordering time. Just in time for the holidays! This is PTO's largest fundraiser of the year! All the profits go directly back to the school in the form of assemblies, student treats, and bus expense for Catholic Schools Week. Bring your order form to your Thanksgiving gathering! Butterbraids will be delivered before Christmas. Thank you for your support of PTO!

Please remember DMCS in your will.



- Parent's Night TONIGHT at 10,000 Drops 28 4th Street NE from 7-9 PM
- <u>Prairie Fire Children's Theatre's Cinderella</u> auditions will be held Monday, November 18th. See the <u>attached</u> permission form.
- **Bethlehem Academy Open House & Shadow Days** Looking for that just-right high school? Check out Bethlehem Academy, a Catholic high school with a tradition of academic excellence and proven results for 155 years! **Hosting an Open House for prospective students November 14** with a sports/activities fair starting at 5:30 pm, followed by a presentation and tours at 6pm. See attached flyer for more information. Student shadow days starting November 5<sup>th</sup>. Call 507-334-3948 to set up your shadow day today. Be curious. Be Catholic. Be a Cardinal. More information at www.bacards.org.







# Scholastic Book Fair

#### **Dates to Remember**

Nov. 7 Parent/Teacher Conference

Parent's Night Out - See attached flier

Nov. 8 Care & Share Day

Nov. 13 8:30 Mass - Gr. 2 Host

PTO Meeting at DMCS 6PM

Nov. 14 Gr. 5 to Children's Theatre

Pre-K Mom's Night 6 to 7 PM

Nov. 18-23 Prairie Fire Children's Theatre

Nov. 20 8:30 Mass - Gr. 1 Host

Nov. 22 Reward Dress Down Day

PFCT Cinderella Performance 6:30 at DMCS

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Nov. 26 Spelling Bee 8:30

Nov. 27-29 Thanksgiving Break!

## Students enjoyed the Book Fair this week!





### **Attached/Included in Folder**

- Hot Lunch Statements
- Prairie Fire Audition Forms Gr. 2-5 (attached)
- Butter Braid Order Forms
- Lost & Found Photo Gallery (attached)
- Polar Express (attached)
- Parent's Night Out (attached)
- Girl's JO Volley Ball Gr. 4-5

