

Monday Memo

December 7, 2009

Little Flower Catholic School

Advent

As we enter this season of Advent, the Church takes time to wait in anticipation of the birth of Christ. The Church sets aside four weeks in order for us to better prepare our hearts and minds for the wonderful celebration of Christmas. While people are busy about many things this month, perhaps we can take some time each week to marvel at the truth that God became flesh because of His great love for us.

Health Fair Re-visited

On October 29, Coach D organized an all school health fair. A member of the PALS group was supposed to come out to speak with the Middle School that day on the dangers of smoking. However, it had to be postponed.

Therefore, on December 1, the PALS member was able to come to Little Flower and speak with the Middle School. He was a very moving and emotional speaker. I encourage you to ask your child what he/she thought about the presentation or learned from the presentation.

Title I

After working with the Title I office for the past several months, we have been able to hire Ms. Angie Wyant who will be assisting the teachers with students who are struggling in math and reading. Ms. Wyant has been a teacher's aide in previous schools in the past. It is our hope that our students will continue to excel and succeed.

Mission Statement:

It is the mission of Little Flower Catholic School to form young people who live their lives, as Jesus did, rooted in prayer, and who strive for a sense of self-worth, academic excellence, and the Catholic values of mercy and compassion.

Dates to Remember

Faculty Meeting	12/7
Last Scrip Order before Christmas	12/7
Christmas Play	12/10
Breakfast with Santa	12/13
Exams Begin	12/15
Quarter 2 Ends	12/18
Students Return	1/5

Volunteers at Little Flower

Congratulations to Tammy Simon who is our PTO weekly drawing winner.

This year LFS has been blest with a number of volunteers who have given of their time and talent to ensure quality education for our students. Ms. Rogers has been coming faithfully each Tuesday and Thursday to help in the First Grade. Ms. Rogers had children go through St. Paul School and then Catholic High

School. She has been a great help with reading groups and centers.

Ms. Maria Patti has been coming each Wednesday and Friday morning to help with the Fourth and Fifth Grade. Students who are struggling in math have been receiving additional help to ensure their success. Ms. Patti is a retired school

teacher who has taught in both the public and Catholic school systems.

We thank them for their continued support of Catholic education and of Little Flower School. It has been a great blessing for the teachers and the students.

Christmas Show



Please remember that this Thursday is our Christmas Show for Grades K–5. All students are asked to be in their home-rooms in full cos-

tume by 5:45 PM.

We will also have our students who have been receiving piano lessons play for us beginning at 6 PM.

Doors to the cafeteria will open at 5:30PM. Please remember that we will not save seats.

Spelling Bee

The Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee will take place on December 17 at 1:15 PM in the Parish Life Center. Middle School exams will take place in the morning on the 17th so that the Spelling Bee can take place in the afternoon. Good luck to our contestants.

Congratulations to Ms. Preble

The LFS community would like to congratulate Ms. Preble. She and her husband are expecting their first child.

While Ms. Preble was going to stay on longer with us, she has learned from her doctor that it would be better if she gets more rest. Therefore, Ms. Preble

will be leaving in December.

We have hired Ms. Mary Rose Jingco to teach the Third Grade for the remainder of the year. Ms. Jingco has elementary certification from the state of Florida and is a long time parishioner of Little Flower. She has been a substitute teacher here at Little

Flower. She will be working with Ms. Preble the last week of December in order to make a smooth transition for the Third Grade.

December 18:

No Lunch

No EDC

Students will be dismissed at noon.

Scrip Orders

On December 14 at 8 AM, we will order the last Scrip orders for the month. If there is anyone who would like to purchase Scrip cards for Christmas, please

get your orders in.

Wondering what cards are available? Go to <https://www.glscrip.com/shop/Default.aspx> and browse the categories. We are

able to purchase any of these cards.

This program does help the school out by giving us a percentage of each card value.

A note from Ms. Preble

It is with deep regret to inform the faculty, staff and students that I will not be returning to my position as third grade teacher at Little Flower after the Christmas break. As many of you may already know my husband and I are expecting our first child in

February, and my Doctor has ordered additional rest and less time on my feet. I wanted to thank everyone for allowing me the opportunity to work with and teach your children. It is indeed a privilege that I will miss a great deal. Having attended Catholic school

myself, I realize firsthand the sacrifice that you make to insure that your children receive a quality Christian education, and I hope that I have met your expectations.

In Good Faith,
Brittany Preble

PTO Corner



PTO Sponsors
Breakfast with
Santa.

Please continue to send in the Box Top and Campbell Soup labels. The 2nd quarter competition is well under way. The winning class will win a pizza party!

The PTO would like to host "Breakfast with Santa" on Sunday, December 13. Supplies and volunteers will be needed. Please look for information from your homeroom parents in reference to this event or contact Erin Cramer at 393-6432.

Thanks,

Erin Cramer (PTO Vice-President)
393-6432

Congratulations to an Alumnus

Congratulations to Niki Thompson who is a graduate of Little Flower

School. She was chosen for the Congressional Youth Leadership Council invitation

to represent Catholic High School this year.

Exam Schedule

Tuesday, December 15:

Language Arts for Grades 4—8

Wednesday, December 16:

Religion for Grades 6—8

Science for Grades 6—8

Thursday, December 17

Math for Grades 4—8

Social Studies for Grades 6—8

Friday, December 18

Make Up Day

No Lunch/No EDC

Noon Dismissal/Spirit Day