

Monday Memo

January 11, 2010

Little Flower Catholic School

Principal's Notes

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

Quarter 3 Begins	1/5
Grade 2 Parent Meeting: 7 PM	1/12
PTO Meeting	1/14
Noon Dismissal	1/15
No School	1/18
Ballet Comes, Talent Show	1/22
Grandparents Day, Noon Dismissal	1/29

I want to thank all of you for the many beautiful gifts at Christmas. I was truly touched by your generosity and I am grateful for each of you.

As the new year begins, I pray that you find the peace that the wise men were searching for on that first Christmas. For society at large, Christmas is seen as one day out of the year. However, for us as Christians, we believe that Christmas is just the beginning of the story. On Sunday, we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord. This feast is where John the Baptist proclaimed that Jesus is greater than he.

It is in this context that Little Flower School begins anew. All of our basketball teams did an out-

standing job this weekend. We are thankful for their willingness to represent our school with talent and pride. We also need to thank our coaches who have willingly given countless hours to helping our young people learn the values of hard work and commitment. Special thanks goes to: Mr. Presnell, Mr. Mathews, Mr. Mathias, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd, and Mr. Bruder.

In December I sent each family a survey in order to help us begin to prepare for our next accreditation which will take place in two years. I want to thank those of you who took the time to answer the questions honestly and submit the surveys. I spent Christmas break reading through them and have already begun to look at ways that we can begin to implement some of your ideas and

suggestions. Our next School Board meeting will take place in February where I will present the surveys to the Board.

Please remember that this Thursday at 7 PM in the cafeteria will be our PTO meeting. There will be babysitting available in the Parish Hall hosted by our Student Council.

PTO raffle
winner this
week is
Jennifer
Saquibal

Remember the Website

Remember that the website is where you will find the latest calendars, menus and information taking place at Little Flower School. The address is: www.pensacolafs.org

The homepage will give you some key links to calendars and notices. However, un-

der the "LFS News" section you will find other resources that will help you in planning for the weeks and months ahead. Under the Faculty page you can access each teacher's website which contains daily homework and notices.

If you click on

the "Links" tab, you will find helpful resources for you and your child. In case you forgot how to connect to Power-School, we have added the link there for you.

Our hope is that we can keep you as informed as possible.

December 14:
PTO Meeting at
7 PM in the
cafeteria.
Babysitting in
the Parish
Hall.

Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee

We congratulate Shelby Presnell in grade 8 and Serena Bruder in grade 6 who won the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee for our Region. They will be representing Little Flower Catholic School in the Knights of Columbus District Spelling Bee on January 24 at 4 PM. The Spelling Bee will take place at the Knights of Columbus building on Palafox. If you have time, come and support our students.

A note from Ms. Lambert

Dear Students and Parents,

Thank you for the wonderful gifts you gave me for Christmas. I was overwhelmed with your kindness. I hope that all of you have a blessed New Year.
Sincerely,

Jane Lambert

PTO Corner

Please remember that there is a PTO meeting this Thursday at 7 PM in the cafeteria. Babysitting will be available in the Parish Hall hosted by Student Council. If you take advantage of this opportunity, please make sure that you drop off your child before the meeting and pick up your child immediately following the meeting in the cafeteria. No child will be allowed to leave unless an adult picks the child up directly from the Parish Hall.

Report cards and ITBS scores will be given out on Thursday evening. If you would like to meet with a teacher, please make an appointment to see an individual teacher at a later date.

Students who are late for school will need to be signed into the office by a parent or guardian.

It is important for students to be on time for school in order to be successful.

5K Run

This year's 5K Run will take place on March 27 at 8 AM. The PTO Board should have already contacted the Homeroom Parents asking for help in securing sponsors for the run. We are asking that each family secure at least one sponsor. If everyone helps out, our run will be successful and will help to fund academic

programs such as our technology enhancements, math and science and new textbooks for next school year.

Who should you ask to sponsor us? Often times, doctors, lawyers, dentists, veterinaries, hair salons, tanning salons, car dealers and repair shops are all good places to ask. Restaurants that you frequent or

may own can help us with sponsorship. To date we have close to \$7000.00. However, we need your help.

As it gets closer to the date, I will be asking for volunteers to help on the day of the run. This event usually ends by 12 PM in case you have never attended a 5K Run.