



The Academy of Our Lady of Peace

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To

All Academy Families,

We once again have the great opportunity to showcase our school during the diocesan wide celebration called Catholic Schools Week. The Academy has so much to be proud of and it is nice to be able to take this opportunity to promote ourselves to our current families and to our prospective families. Here is some great news we have had lately that you might not be aware of:

- All of our 8th grade students were accepted into the high schools of their choice and have received thousands of dollars in scholarships
- Perfect and near perfect scores on the 7th grade national writing assessment
- We have over 80 students participating in our after school winter fitness program
- We have over 50 students learning how to play a musical instrument
- A new middle school math team
- Latin for all 7th and 8th grade students
- Over \$50,000 in educational technology added in the last 12 months

There are many great activities planned for Catholic Schools Week and we hope that you can be a part of them. On Monday we will have the students versus faculty volleyball game; Tuesday will bring our first grandparents breakfast as well as our open house; where you are invited to tour the school and watch actual instruction in the classrooms between 9:30 and 11:30. On Wednesday our lower school will have a scavenger hunt and the middle school will play a game of "Are You Smarter than a Catholic Priest" against Fr. Bill and some of the middle school faculty. Thursday our middle school will go to St. Pat's for our annual handball game and our lower school will take part in an indoor soccer championship. The week will culminate on Friday with our First Friday Mass, our 8th grade pin ceremony and 8th grade luncheon.

The activities mentioned above will certainly be fun and we hope that many of our parents come to see us during the week. Please remember that the key event to the entire week is our Catholic Schools Week Celebration Mass on Sunday, January 31st at 9am. Students are expected to attend the 9am mass on Sunday in uniform. Many of our students will be singing in the choir and acting as lecturers, our other students are to sit with their families. Following the mass we will have a reception in our gym and officially begin the registration/re-registration process for the 2010-2011 school year.

Once again I thank you for all of your support and I look forward to seeing you all showing Academy pride on Sunday!

As always if you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me in the schools office.

Sincerely,

Mr. Thomas Berrios, Principal
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