

Principal's Report

June 6, 2017

I. Enrollment updates

- Total students enrolled: 369 students.
- Preschool students 78 students.
- K-8 has 291 enrolled students.
- We have 42- 8th grade students graduating and 24 families in the 8th grade class with their last child graduate.
- We have 369 students registered for next year Preschool thru 8th grade.
- Summer Camp has 62 students registered for camps preschool thru 6th grade.

II. Good News About School

- We said Farewell to Fr. Freddy at our all-school liturgy on May 10th and gave him cards from the students, pictures, and some Catholic Joke books. We sang a familiar song to him and changed the words to make it personal – If you Love Fr. Fred clap your hands...to the melody of If your happy and you know it. He sang that to us at a school Mass earlier this year.
- SHG choir came to visit and sang and danced for the school.
- All students participated in a reverent Living Rosary in church on May 12th. We invited parishioners, grandparents, special friends and family members to pray along with us.
- 30 State qualifiers and a 7th grade boys sectional championship! We also took home the 8th grade girls runner up and 7th grade girls and 8th grade boys third place trophies! What a day! That is the most State qualifiers CTK has ever taken to the State Track meet and the first time we have taken home Sectional trophies in every division! At the State meet we took home many medals with Elle Vance placing third in 8th grade girls hurdles, Reese Edwards placing 8th in 8th grade boys hurdles, Alex Sweetland placing 6th in the 8th grade boys 100 meter dash, the 8th grade boys placing 3rd in the 4x100 meter relay, and finally the 8th grade girls placing 3rd in the 4x100 meter relay. Awesome success!
- We gave awards to our 8th grade students graduating on Monday, May 15th, at 1:00pm in Roesch Hall. Scholarship awards were given to the following: Ben Deaner and Maddie Call \$500 from the George Maier Memorial Scholarship/Holy Name Society. James Wagoner and Noelle Melocoton, \$500 from PTO Betty Corrigan and Mary Ellen Lesh scholarships. Grace Garlow, \$1,000, from the T.J. Meyer Over 50 Club Scholarship. SHG Alumni Scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to Erin Murphy.
- The school celebrated with Fr. Joe Ring during a luncheon for his ordination anniversary (20 years – May 28th) and his upcoming birthday, June 16th, also 29 years. ;)
- Senora Anna Rosa took the 7th and 8th grade to lunch where they had to order and speak in Spanish.
- Preschool graduated on May 17th in our school gymnasium. The students showed us a glimpse of what they learned this year and sang us some songs. Refreshments were served following the ceremony.

- We congratulated athletes and club members for their participation and outstanding accomplishments in Spring sports and clubs during the 5:00pm Sunday Mass, May 21st.
- The principal and resource teacher went to a meeting with all areas non-public schools and district 186 to discuss funding for speech and resource next year. It is not definite, but most likely we will be getting speech services for our elementary students October through March for the next school year.
- Graduation took place Friday evening, May 19th in the church during 5:30pm Mass. We had 40- 8th grade students graduating and 26 families in the 8th grade class with their last child graduate.
- Fun day was on May 24th and we celebrated the year at Goals and Sky Zone.
- Our final day of the school year was May 25th. Students celebrated together during our last all-school liturgy and then performed services for the school and parish.
- Tuesday, May 30th was the first day of Summer Camp! It is going strong and very happily attended. Students tell me they are having fun and really enjoying summer at CTK!!

III. Curriculum Updates

- Kristen Curtis and Cassie Hansen our Science Teachers for the 5th thru 8th grade students have decided to have a Science STEM Investigations Program after school on Thursdays next year. It will be to challenge those who have above average science skills. This will be by invitation and take place after school next year. They are receiving registration forms and are happy with the interest in the program.
- We are adding to our Religion Curriculum and Science Curriculum. We want to be sure we connect all the dots grade to grade and cover all the standards for each grade level. We are adding Pflaum weekly gospel readers in religion, and Foss kits in Science next year!
- Our new Math coach is taking 2 classes this summer to learn more about talented and gifted Math students and Math assessment. Angie Collings has asked for our Math books from each grade level so she can grasp what the focus for instruction at each level looks like. Angie is creating quarterly assessments for grade 6th thru 8th so she can create data on each problem, and help plan for “bell ringer problems” and provide assistance for teachers to circle back to concepts for better retention of information. These assessments will provide talking points for conferences with parents. She’ll be looking closely at our Math curriculum maps for what is needed to fill in gaps.

IV. Upcoming Events

- Thurs August 10 Preschool Play Date Washington Park 6:00 PM-7:30 PM
- Thurs August 10 Teacher Retreat Villa Maria
- Monday August 14 New Teacher Orientation 9:30 AM-11:30 AM
- Tues August 15 K - 8 New Families Informational Ice Cream Social 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM - Cafeteria
- Tues August 15 Teacher In-Service Roesch Hall 9:30 AM-11:30 AM
following Mass; OSHA in-service for all staff 12:00 PM
Faculty Meeting 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

- Thurs August 17 Kinder Play Date – CTK Playground 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
- Sun August 20 Donut Sunday after 10:30 AM Mass
- Mon August 21 Open House / Meet the Teachers Night 5:00 PM- 6:00 PM Visit Classrooms, followed by Mandatory Parent Meeting in the Gym with Fr. Joe at 6:00 PM for all parents preschool – 8th grade.
- Tues August 22 **First Day of School** - All students grades K-8 – 1:45 PM dismissal; Preschool “Come and Play” 8:00-9:00am Morning AWP begins. No PM AWP
- Weds August 23 School Mass – 8:30 AM (Grades 1-8)

V. Staff

- I have hired Susan Maziarz. She has more than 25 years teaching 5th grade English Language Arts, is a certified teacher and has National Board recognition and certification for Early Adolescent Language Arts. She is more than qualified and is excited to be teaching in a Catholic School.
- Gina Snow, our Librarian is retiring, and Savannah Skonberg is a certified school Librarian. I have hired her for next year as a Librarian.
- Beth Hoyle is leaving in 3rd grade and Kathy Zanger has asked to return to this post.
- Kathy Zanger is leaving PE for 3rd grade so I have hired former SHG Math teacher, and CTK parishioner, Angie Collings as our new PE teacher and Math Coach. She is excited to work with CTK teachers and challenge our students physically and mentally!
- Several aides will not be returning next school year. New faces will be 2 part-time aides in first grade: Mary Petrilli & Pam Cerveney. New part-time preschool aides MWF will be Kalina Koch; Anna Thoele; Monday thru Friday Amanda Workman will move from playground to Preschool Aide.
- We need a playground supervisor.

VI. Building Needs/Conditions

- Music/Art room lighting. Ballasts were being replaced May 25th and 26th.
- The roof in the preschool section was leaking and needs more repairs or replacing.
- The windows in the building are inefficient, handles are broken, and cool air and heat escape.
- Special teachers/counselor/office, need their aging computers replaced.
- Thinking about sharing our Chromebooks with the 4th grade students. We will need a charging cart for these to be stored in the 4th grade.
- Our Fund-A-Project this year was cafeteria tables. I received 18 tables from School Outfitters. We received two more donations to cover the balance of what was due.
- The Multi-purpose room floor needs to be replaced.