

## Principal's Report

May 7, 2019

### I. Enrollment updates

- We have 417 enrolled.
- We have 57 preschool 3's enrolled.
- We have 52 preschool 4's enrolled.
- We have 308 students in K-8
- We have 51 in PSR enrolled

### II. Good News About School

- We have 412 students registered already at CTK for next year. We continue to give tours.
- Our 7<sup>th</sup> graders joined the other Catholic schools in a retreat held at the SHG West campus on Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Lunch with the Principal for all 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade honor roll students took place on April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- SHG brought their freshman students who are CTK Alumni back to CTK for a service day retreat on Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. They were very helpful. All were assigned tasks.
- We had Reconciliation services for our students in 2-8<sup>th</sup> on April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Kindergarten screenings were done for incoming students. Most scored very high. These were done by the two Kindergarten teachers April 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>.
- PTO hosted a Father/Daughter Family Dance in the Parish Center on April 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Student led Stations of the Cross were in the church at 2:00pm and 6:00pm on Wednesday during Holy Week. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade students were the leaders. It was moving and reverent.
- Easter Break! April 19-28<sup>th</sup>.
- The 8<sup>th</sup> grade ribbon ceremony kicked off the last days before 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation. This followed Mass on May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- May Crowning was led by 8<sup>th</sup> grade on May 1<sup>st</sup> in our church.
- Fr. Chiola presented 'Culture Reframed' to a group of parents in Roesch Hall, May 1<sup>st</sup>. Christine Feller will follow-up with a Digital Safety program on Sept. 12 in Roesch Hall. She works for the Attorney General and will touch on the topics of Sexting and Exploitation.
- CTK invited the students now graduating high school back to CTK for an Alumni breakfast. Student shared where they will be attending college and gave some words of wisdom to the graduating CTK class of 2019.
- The 2019 CTK Musical, The Wizard of Oz opened on Friday evening at 7:30pm after a MAGIC match reception. We had 2 other performances, Sat. at 7:30pm and Sunday afternoon at 2:00pm. It was a superb show with very talented students taking the stage.
- Our track team is going to State once again. We will have a pep rally on Thursday at 2:30pm to cheer the individuals and teams running.
- We are in Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6-10!! Thank you to our CTK Teachers!!
- CTK Men's club hosted a CTK Golf outing on Monday May 6<sup>th</sup>. Gorgeous day for the event.

### III. Curriculum Updates

- We are exploring a new curriculum for Social Studies/History for next year. Our teachers from CTK like Pearson in grades 2-3-4-5, and they like McGraw Hill in 6-7-8.

- New Science curriculum – Amplify. K-8 program that address all of the Next Generation Science Standards. Develops problem solving.
- iLit – online program for students struggling with Literature.
- REFLEX Math – Grades 2-5 and others that would benefit from computation skill practice.

#### IV. Upcoming Events

- Rice Bowl collection due Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Spanish class for 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be eating lunch at Xochimilco on Weds. May 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade will have their traditional kickball tournament on Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The track team is going to State on Friday and Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>.
- The Sangamon K-9 Unit is coming to CTK for a demonstration at 2:00pm on Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. We will collect money during an out of uniform day for their unit.
- Graduation pictures and awards are Monday May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation is Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> in church during the 5:30pm Mass.
- Fun Day will be May 24<sup>th</sup> the last day of school. Preschool will go to Ergadoozy. Students in grades K-6 will be going to Sky Zone after Mass. We have a 1:45pm dismissal to end the year.

#### V. Staff

- Retiring staff members: Ann Schonhoff, Resource teacher; Judi Fenoglio, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, Nancy Ward, Kindergarten aide. Bethany Nishimoto will not be teaching preschool because the class will increase from three days to 5 days.
- Jerry Smith, maintenance resigned. The Cleaning Company used withdrew from their contract with us. We are in need of maintenance help.
- We will see two new preschool aides next year.

#### VI. Building Needs/Conditions

- The roof replacement will begin May 28<sup>th</sup> and will include the chimney demolition.
- Windows are in poor condition.
- Simplex Fire panel has flaws in it and requires expensive visits to test control panels. Might want to consider replacing with George Alarm – local & parishioner.
- Flooring in the Multi-purpose room and Music Room needs replacing.