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Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Jan. 8** - Boys BB @ Kew: 5th/6th at 5:00, 4th at 6:00
- ◆ **Jan. 10** - Gr. 2 Reconciliation parent meeting @ St. Joe's 5:45
- ◆ **Jan. 11**- Boys BB @ Gib: 4th at 5:45, 5th/6th at 6:45
- ◆ **Jan. 15** – Boys BB @ Sev: 4th at 5:30, 5th/6th at 6:30
- ◆ **Jan. 16** - Boys BB vs. Algoma: 4th at 6:00, 5th/6th at 7:00
- ◆ **Jan. 18** - Pictures for School Activities

From the Principal...

Project 3

January begins with the kick-off of St. John Bosco's third project, Project Lead the Way. PLTW is a national STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) program. It provides transformative learning experiences for students and teachers. The curriculum creates an engaging, hands-on classroom environment and empowers students to develop in-demand knowledge and skills they need to thrive. Teachers are provided training and resources to engage students in real-world learning. Using Launch and Gateway for our K-8 students in science, 2 of the 4 modules at each grade level K-8 will be implemented in fall of 2018. The remaining 2 will be implemented in fall of 2019. The full program will be in place in fall of 2020.

Launch (K-5) taps into students' exploratory nature, engages them in learning that feels like play, and encourages them to keep discovering – now and for years to come. Whether designing a car safety belt or building digital animations, students engage in critical and creative thinking, build teamwork skills and learn to try and try again when faced with challenges.

Gateway (6-8) sparks a joy of discovery and illuminates the range of paths students can look forward to in high school and beyond. Students apply knowledge and skills from a variety of disciplines. By tackling challenges like designing a therapeutic toy for a child with cerebral palsy, creating their own app, or solving a medical mystery, students are empowered to make a real-world impact.

This project is a 3-year project with staff development taking place during the summers of 2018 and 2019 for teachers. Training takes place at the Milwaukee

School of Engineering for a period of 2-5 days dependent on the module.

We have most of the infrastructure in place from our Digital Transformation Project (project 1). I have begun writing grants for this endeavor and am making it the focus for curriculum donations and the Electric Moment at Gala. Please contact me if you wish to donate to this exceptional program. Join me and the staff as we continue on our journey toward excellence at St. John Bosco.



Practicing Faith,
Strengthening our
Community,
Graduating Leaders

Mrs. Dassel

Gala of Giving

The Gala of Giving is set for Saturday, March 3 in the St. John Bosco Gym. This wonderful event contributes over \$40,000 to our operating budget each year. You can be a special part of it by donating items for the event, volunteering for the event and/or by coming to the event. Some ideas for donations could be a themed basket, gift certificates, a craft or wood-working project, a service you provide, a piece of art, or cash to offset event costs. Your imagination is the only limit. Bring your donations to the St. John Bosco school office during regular office hours by February 16, 2018 or call us and we will have someone pick them up.

Look for volunteer sign up forms and more information in the next folder.





Conference Slip Reminder

Please return the parent teacher conference replies by Tuesday, January 9.

Christmas Concert



On December 21, the students joined together to celebrate Christmas with families and friends. Our 5th, 6th and 7th/8th grade bands performed classical, and Christmas selections. All students from 4K thru 8th grade sang and celebrated the season of Christ's birth.



Thank you to Mr. Newbern, our music/band teacher, for planning this wonderful event, and thank you to all who shared it with us!

Wisconsin Tax Break

St. John Bosco's tuition is deductible on your Wisconsin State Taxes. We will be sending a 2017 tuition payment report and the appropriate tax form home in our next family folder. If you would like the statement sooner, you can log into your FACTS account, click on the Payments Tab, and click View Printable Payment Summary. Make sure to select the year: 2016. **Our federal tax ID number is 20-8638023.**

Winter Basketball

St. John Bosco School has three basketball teams this winter season. The 4th and 5th/6th Grade Boys Basketball seasons began yesterday with games against Southern Door. Unfortunately, both teams lost, but the Bobcats will have their first home games on Tuesday, January 16th at 6:00pm and 7:00pm. The 7th/8th Grade Girls Basketball season begins Monday, January 22nd with a home game against Sevastopol at 4:30pm. Come cheer on the Bobcats!

Winter Clothing

A friendly reminder that students will go outside for lunch recess unless the wind chill is below 0, so please dress warm! Snow pants and snow boots are needed to play off the blacktop. Snow boots are not to be worn inside the classrooms. Thanks for your cooperation!



School Closing and Bad Weather

For school closing information, please watch WBAY2, Fox 11, and NBC26 and listen to WDOR and doorcountydailynews.com radio stations for school closing information. Since three different school districts come to school here at St. John Bosco we must consider everyone's safety in each school district when making the decision to cancel school. We follow Sturgeon Bay School District for closures.



Got a Basket to Spare?

Do you have a couple of baskets around your house that you don't know what to do with,



but are too nice to throw out? We will take them! We use those baskets to create wonderful gift baskets from the items that are donated for the Gala.

We accept all kinds. Thank you!

Reading Challenge

For one of Mrs. Dassler's Christmas presents, the staff presented her with a hideous looking pair of yellow overalls, which all students autographed, along with a note that asked her to support a school reading challenge. The students of St. John Bosco must read 100,000 minutes from January 2-March 31. If this goal is met, Mrs. Dassler must wear the hideous looking pants for one entire day! Parents please encourage your children to read, read, read! We want to see Mrs. Dassler wear those yellow pants!



Knights of Columbus Poster Contest Winners

The "True Meaning of Christmas" was the theme for this year's Knights of Columbus Christmas Poster Contest. There were 52 posters entered from Grades 1-4 at St. John Bosco School. The winners are:

Grade One – Rosalyn Paye

Grade Two – Siena Rabach

Grade Three – Talia Schmidt

Grade Four – Dominic Romero

The winning posters have been sent on to the Diocesan level of competition.

Thanks to Mrs. Mueller for her assistance in the contest once again!

Grade Buddies

4K students had fun building gingerbread houses with their 8th grade buddies.



Spaghetti Dinner – Kick off to Catholic Schools Week

St. John Bosco School will be kicking off Catholic Schools Week with a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, January 27th. Our 8th grade families will be coordinating the dinner but could use extra help. Please see the volunteer sheet in the family folder.