Academy News

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SAVE THE DATE April 27, 2012 "A Night at The Academy Awards" Academy Gala

Academy Gala



Friday, April 27 is our Academy Gala, "A Night at The Academy Awards." Join us for the evening with dinner, dancing, raffles, auctions, and more! Invitations for the event will be sent out next week. This is a wonderful way for us to celebrate our families, students, teachers, and the many accomplishments we have had throughout the school year. If you have not yet submitted names and addresses of family and friends you would like to invite, please do so by next week!



Upcoming Events:

International Week

STUDENTS WEAR

Mar. 12-16

Mar. 16

11411 10	GREEN FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY
	Family Game Night Cancelled
Mar. 19	STUDENTS WEAR RED FOR ST. JOSEPH'S DAY
Mar. 22	FSA meeting (Gala Planning) 6:30pm
Mar. 23	Teacher In-service

NO SCHOOL

Parent Meeting

As a follow-up to our Focus Group of January 19, we will be having a mandatory parent meeting within the next couple of weeks. A date has not yet been determined, but all parents are required to attend. As soon as a date has been scheduled, we will let you know.

Gala Committees

A note is being sent home today because we are in need of parents to sign up for the committees. We have rescheduled the FSA meeting to Thursday, March 22 to have a better response from our families. Thank you very much in advance!

It's International Week at The Academy

It has become a tradition at The Academy to celebrate our cultures. Each year during March we celebrate International Week. Parents, you are invited to come and share with us about your traditions, culture, foods, etc. The teachers have sent home letters and times for you to come and give us a brief demonstration.

In the past, we have had parents come to share with us about their Polish, German, Irish traditions, and more. The students love to have you come visit the classroom and share with us your traditions. If you are interested and able, please set up a time with your child's teacher based on the times given for the week of March 12-16.



Lenten Project

Our focus during this year has been Faith, Academics, and Service. Lent began on Ash Wednesday, when the children received ashes as a sign of Jesus dying on the cross for us. As a school community, we have decided to raise money for the children of Haiti through Catholic Relief Services. We are asking the students to do various chores around the house to raise money to be donated. We will be collecting any loose change up through March 30. We will be sending the money before we break for Easter.

Each classroom has made a bank to collect the donations, and during Religion class, the teachers have been talking with the students about Haiti.

Fundraising Fee

As you know, each family is responsible for raising \$200 for our fundraising fee for the 2011-2012 school year. Many families participated in our Football Mania fundraiser and have fulfilled their required \$200. If you have not, please see the flyer sent home today in our communication folders for selling raffle tickets for our \$500 Cash Raffle. The winner of the raffle will be drawn the night of the Gala!

Many families have already requested tickets. If you need more, please contact Mrs. Hodge or Mrs. Angie.

Check out what's happening in our classrooms...

Ms. Margaret's Pre-School

This week in the 3-year-olds preschool class, the children worked on the letter Pp. The stories this week My Visit to the Zoo by Aliki, 1, 2, 3, To The Zoo by Eric Carle, Good Night Gorilla by Peggy Rathmann, and Peek-a-Zoo by Marie Torres.

For Science the children are discussing and comparing Zoo Animals.

In math the children sorted animals by how they get around, size and counted 1 to 20.

Ms. Nancy's Pre-Kindergarten

The Pre-Kindergarten class started off March by learning about the letter P. Students painted pink pigs using potatoes! In science, students began to use magnifying glasses to explore and planted seeds after learning about what plants need to grow. The students also celebrated Oreo's 100th birthday on Tuesday by having Oreos and milk for snack! Looking Ahead...

- We will be celebrating
 International Week next week with some of our parents!
- Learn about the letter Q
- Celebrate St. Patrick's Day on Friday the 16th



Ms. Kim's Class

This week we started the Superkids Club, which is the next level in our Superkids series. We will be working on the letters B and R in the first book. The students will also find out what the Superkids will use for their meeting place. Today we also learned another Memory Word (word that cannot be decoded by sounding out the letters), of. In math, the kindergarteners are working on subtraction and the term, take away. The students also worked on drawing their own subtraction stories. Second grade has been busy learning that at mass we pray for the needs of others. Also we are continuing to learn about Lent.

Mrs. Sibick's Multi-age Classroom

Students are working hard! They had 3 practice tornado drills. They enjoyed celebrating Oreo's 100thBirthday this Tuesday. Adam had a great science experiment this week. He taught the class about substances which do and don't dissolve in water. He also discussed about tunning forks and . The students even saw a model of the ocean and what happens when a tunning fork is placed in water. Ask your child about it. First graders are excited about More Adventures of Superkids. They just read the story, In Case of Rain. They are working on the tricky y, which can make a long /e/, /i/, or/a/ sound. Second grade is working on cursive letters f and q this week. The Super magazine had many interesting articles. The magazine discussed monarch butterflies and bikes then and now. First graders are using a hundred chart to identify 1 more, 1 less, 10more, 10 less. They also are using symbols to compare numbers (\times =) Students remember that the alligator eats the bigger number. Second grade is filling in a blank chart by finding the pattern (counting by ones or tens). They realize that 120, _____ 140 is counting by tens. First graders are discussing the Eucharist. The kindergarten students are discussing how to listen to Jesus. They realize that listening to parents, sharing, and cleaning up their toys are ways to listen to Jesus (and his commandments). Have agreat week!