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## Calendar Reminders

March 2	4 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Assessments
March 5	Early Release
March 18	PTO Meeting
April 1	Make Up Day – Early Release (no afterschool)
April 2 <sup>nd</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Vacation

## Mardi Gras

Thank you to all the families that contributed to the success of this year's Mardi Gras! A special thanks goes to Richarda Gilbert and Amey Parkins for their leadership. We are still reviewing the numbers but it looks like we grossed over \$100,000 and netted over \$60,000. Great job!

## Norovirus and Strep Throat

We are experiencing the norovirus and strep throat going through our students and their families. Remember . . . the key to a healthy environment is good hand washing. Also, if your child is sick, please keep them home. If your child runs a fever, keep them home for 24 hours after their temperature is back to normal without anti-fever medication. Thank you!

## Lego League

Congratulations to Transportation Tie Dye for representing PJP II School in the state tournament. The team members should be proud of their robot runs and project presentation. The club consisted of 21 members from 4<sup>th</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

Thank you parents, students, Mr. Verchick and Mrs. Linz a fabulous robotics season!

### **Make Up Day**

PJPII will make up our “snow day” with an early release day on Holy Thursday, April 1. School will begin as normal and we will dismiss the students at 1:00 PM. There will not be any aftercare on that day.

### **Box Tops due this week**

All box tops are due back **tomorrow**. If you need additional copies of the “heart bouquet”, go to <http://www.boxtops4education.com/Image.aspx?Id=51> or stop by the office.

### **Poster winners announced**

Congratulations to the following students for winning the Catholic Schools Week "Priest as Friend" poster contest:

Pre-K: Lauren Wimberly  
Davis McKellop  
K: Cassandra Torres-Nunez  
Eric Framstad  
1st: Kyla Weyer  
Tommy Reinhardt  
2nd: Karl Andrews  
Elizabeth Ferrelli  
3rd: Logan Kelly  
Roman Putnam  
4th: Ian Framstad  
Emily Melvin  
5th: Justin Casillas  
Sydney King  
7th: Joe Melvin  
Sofia Flores

### **PJP Students enter Young People’s Fine Arts Festival**

13th Annual Young People's Fine Arts Festival presented by the Arts Council of Moore County. The competition exhibits artwork by children (grades K-12) from all over Moore County. The artwork will be judged by an art professional (ex: from N.C. Museum of Art) Exhibit Dates: March 5-20, 2010 Exhibit Location: Campbell House, 482 East Conn. Ave. Southern Pines

Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony: Friday, March 5, 2010 5:00-7:00p.m.

The following students will be representing Pope John Paul II: Ivette Mercado, Carolina Golden, Ebany Oehlhof, Juaquin Rodriguez, Liz Ferrelli, Jinny Jackson, Sophia Flores and Brittany Oehlhof.

Please give these students your support and come by to vote for best in show on March. Entered artwork will be on the website soon for all to see.

### **Speech & Drama Families**

If any parent has video footage of the speech and drama performances please send a copy to school with your child labeled Heather Chauret. I would like to make a complete CD for all students that participated in the speech and drama performances during Catholic Schools Week. Thank You, Heather Chauret

### **Spring Scholastic Book Fair**

Pope John Paul II will host a Scholastic Book fair from April 26 – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010. This year's Scholastic theme is "Book Fair Diner: All You Can Read!" The goal of this book fair is to give students and parents the opportunity to select books for their summer reading and to enhance our school library collection.

There will be information/planning meeting on Monday, March 8th from 3:30pm-4:30pm in the Resource Center for any individuals interested in volunteering for the fair. Will discuss planning, advertising, financial and decorating aspects of the fair! Hope to see you there! POC is Christine Framstad at [mcframstad@gmail.com](mailto:mcframstad@gmail.com).

### **Yearbook**

Yearbooks will arrive mid-May and quantities are limited. If you have not pre-ordered a yearbook, you may still have the opportunity to purchase one when they come in, but there is no guarantee. You may purchase a yearbook online by clicking on the yearbook ad on our site or by returning the yellow order form.

Also, please consider being a yearbook patron. We will include your name, family name or business name in the yearbook for \$30. Thank you in advance for your support & please contact Ms. Kim with any questions.

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For weather issues regarding school closings we will notify you via the Alert Now phone system. Feel free to check with WRAL Channel 5 for other school closings. We will use this site as well as other data to determine what is best for PJPII. We will do all we can to notify you of any school closure or late start due to inclement weather as far in advance as we can.

### ***Vision Statement***

*Pope John Paul II Catholic School, with a culture immersed in an environment of a traditional Roman Catholic identity and as the school of choice in Moore County, is available, affordable, and accessible to ALL children in the Sandhills region regardless of socioeconomic status, race, religion, ethnicity, learning challenges, or physical abilities.*

### ***Mission Statement***

*Pope John Paul II Catholic School is dedicated to forming the hearts and minds of our students according to the teachings of the Roman Catholic faith and with the highest standards of academic excellence.*