

# Family Newsletter

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## From the Principal

*As the month of March approaches we continue the season of Lent. As Catholics we do not celebrate Easter once a year, every Sunday we celebrate the Easter mystery during Mass.*

*May each of us help to make our homes places of joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate of the dying and rising of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## American Flag

*On Monday, February 22nd, Ms. Cynthia Bonifas, a PreK-3 parent, presented Notre Dame Interparochial School with an American Flag. The flag was flown over Camp Korean Village in Iraq in honor of Notre Dame Interparochial School for services rendered during Operation Iraqi Freedom, December 4, 2009. I am in the process of having this framed for the main hallway. (See back)  
Also, please keep Ms. Cynthia Bonifas in your thoughts and prayers as she returns to Iraq.*

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Congratulations! The following students were Student of the Month for February 2010  
The category was: INTEGRITY**

Grade 8 Kaitlin Matos	Grade 4 Gwen Milovic	Kindergarten Cassidy Orbe
Grade 7 Paul Chiurazzi	Grade 3 Jonathan Perez-Vento	Pre-4 Sojung Kim
Grade 6 Jonathan Alegria	Grade 2 Giovanni Sotomayor	Pre-K3/4 Ethan Modi
Grade 5 Chelsea Mendoza	Grade 1 Mariel Bacolod	Pre-K3 Arhondia Kalymnios

**The category for March is: RESPONSIBILITY**

### Barnes & Noble Weekend

Barnes & Noble is sponsoring a Notre Dame School Weekend on March 12th to 14th. If you shop at Barnes & Noble that weekend, Notre Dame will receive a profit from the sales for our library. A coupon will be sent home the week of March 7th. The coupons can be duplicated and given to friends and family members.

In addition, Notre Dame students will be performing all weekend.

The schedule of performances are as followed:

Friday, March 12th - 7:00 - 7:30 Notre Dame Chorus and Grades K and 1.

Saturday, March 13th - 1:00 - 1:30 PreK will perform.

Sunday, March 14th - 2:00 - 2:30 Students in the school play will sing songs from "101 Dalmations and Grease".

Mark your calendars for this event.

### Home School Association Nets Basketball Ticket Raffle

The winner of the 4 basketball tickets was Justine Ma in Kindergarten.

Also, Mrs. Perez (Angelique Grade 2) donated an additional 3 tickets for the raffle. The winner was Ryan Campen in Grade 7.

### Registration

If you have not sent in your \$200.00 registration fee, please do so ASAP. The \$200.00 guarantees a placement for your child for the 2010/2011 school year.

By May 14th you must complete the registration process in person. At that time the balance of the fees must be paid. You can register any Tuesday through Friday morning from 9:00 to 11:00. If you are using Smart Tuition, please bring a blank check.

### Read Across America/Dr. Suess Day

March 1st is the nationwide Read Across America Day. Since we begin Terra Nova testing on March 1st, the PreK-3 to Grade 2 celebrated Read Across America the week of February 22nd.

On Monday, PreK-3 to Kindergarten were treated to a Green Eggs & Ham Breakfast.

On Wednesday, Daniella Maddalone from Huntington Learning Center read to the students in PreK to Grade 2.

Thursday was One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish Day. During the PreK-3 to Grade 2 Library period, Mrs. Loukas read that book to the children. Also, the children participated in a guessing contest. Students needed to predict the number of red fish candies in a jar. The winners of the contest are (it was a tie): Dennis Kang and Angelique Perez their guess was 500. There were 663 fish in the bowl. Congratulations!

Due to the snow day the "Cat in the Hat" assembly needed to be canceled. The assembly has been rescheduled for Thursday, March 18th. Parents are welcomed to attend.

# HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

### Casino Night

Tickets are on sale for Casino Night. Please purchase your tickets by March 19th.

### National Junior Honor Society

The National Junior Honor Society sponsored a Dress Down Day for Haiti. Thanks to our Notre Dame families, we collected \$2,356.87. Thank you families for your generous donations to the American Red Cross. We should continue to keep Haiti in our thoughts and prayers.

**HIGH SCHOOLS**

Our 8th graders will be attending the following High Schools this fall.

<u>8th Grade</u>	<u>High School</u>
Nathaniel Alegria	St. Peter's Prep
Brandon Castillo	St. Joseph's Montvale
Kevin Koroglu	St. Joseph's Montvale
Kaitlin Matos	Palisades Park High School
Guy McCann	North Bergen High School
Alec Monico	Bergen Catholic
Jake O'Dowd	Palisades Park High School
Jae eun Park	Paramus Catholic
Alfredo Rodriguez	Bergen Catholic
Caroline Severino	Immaculate Conception

**BEVERAGES FOR TECHNOLOGY**

As you are aware the Home School Association is collecting pledges to update all the computers at Notre Dame for the 2010/2011 school year. There are approximately 199 families. As of today 111 families have committed to pledge funds, 8 families have responded not to pledge and 80 families have not replied. It is the hope of the Home School Association that the remaining 80 families will support this endeavor. Currently we have collected \$7,680.00 for this endeavor.

Monday, March 1  
Terra Nova Testing  
Grades 1—7

Tuesday, March 2  
Terra Nova Testing  
Grades 1—7

Wednesday, March 3  
Terra Nova Testing  
Grades 1—7

Thursday, March 4  
Terra Nova Testing  
Grades 1—7

Friday, March 5  
Terra Nova Testing  
Grades 1—7

**AFTERCARE ENDS AT  
4:30PM**

12:15 Dismissal  
Faculty Meeting

Tuesday, March 9  
Reconciliation -  
Grades 3 to 5—1:00pm  
Grades 6 to 8—1:45pm

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Friday, March 12  
Barnes & Noble Weekend  
Grades K & 1 & Chorus 7:00pm

Saturday, March 13  
Barnes & Noble Weekend  
PreK - 1:00pm

Daylight Savings Time Begins 2:00am

Week of March 14th to 21st  
National Prayer Week

Sunday, March 14  
Barnes & Noble Weekend  
Play Production will perform  
2:00pm.

Monday, March 15  
Peppermint Puppet Assembly -  
Grades PreK to Grade 5 - 1:30pm

Wednesday, March 17  
St. Patrick's Day  
Green Day

Thursday, March 18  
Stations of the Cross—  
Grades 2 to 8—1:00pm

Friday, March 19  
St. Joseph's Day

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Monday, March 22  
Spring Pictures

Wednesday, March 24  
Open House - 10:00 to 2:00  
7:00pm to 8:30pm

2nd Marking Period ends.

Friday, March 26  
PreK to K Easter Bonnet  
Parade - 9:30am

Sunday, March 28  
Palm Sunday

Monday, March 29  
8th Grade Retreat

Tuesday, March 30  
Battle of the Bands  
Grades 4 to 8 - 1:00pm

Wednesday, March 31  
Report Cards Distributed  
Mass 10:00am  
12:15 Dismissal  
NO AFTERCARE