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Christ the King Catholic School Mission Statement

The mission of Christ the King Catholic School is to provide each student with a high-quality education in the arts and sciences and with formation in Christian values that will lend dignity and direction to his or her life. We pride ourselves on preparing students not just for high school, but for life ~ a life which is centered on Jesus Christ and grounded in His Gospel.

*Christ is the reason for this school.
He is the unseen but ever present teacher in our classrooms.
He is the model of our faculty and the inspiration of our students.*



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ARCHDIOCESAN FAMILY LIFE PROGRAM

During the month of January, Religion teachers in Grades K-7 will begin the Archdiocesan mandated Family Life Program. Parents with students in Grades K-7 will receive a book titled "Parent Connection" this month, a guide to support you in assisting your child with the family life curriculum. In addition, parents of 5th and 6th Graders will receive a copy of "Human Reproduction". This parent curriculum in Grade 5 includes The Reproductive Systems, God's Plan of Married Love and Procreation, and Christian Sexuality. The Grade 6 parent book includes New Life in the Womb, The Miracle of Birth, Common Questions Young People Ask, and Christian Sexuality.

Please make the time to use these teaching tools to guide you in talking with your sons and daughters. What is covered in these books is only taught by the parents. These booklets are yours to keep.

- **Parents, Grs. K-7 receive "The Parent Connection"**
- **Parents, Grs. 5 & 6 receive "Human Reproduction"**



Congratulations to this year's all-school winner of the St. Louis Post Dispatch Spelling Bee, Eighth Grader, Ellie Hoerner! That's two years in a row for Ellie as school spelling champion! Fine job! It was an exciting final showdown this year! Well done, finalists!

GRADE 4 had the most box tops and labels in the 2nd quarter and have earned a "dress-out" of uniform day this Friday, January 27th. **THANK YOU, 4th Grade!**

THANK YOU for prayers for members of our 2nd grade class as they received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the very first time this past week. We pray that they will continue to visit Jesus in this sacrament often throughout their life's journey. These same students will now begin preparation for their First Holy Communion. Continue to hold them in prayer. First Communion takes place on April 29th. Parents, know that students banners are due by April 19th.



Our Seventh and Eighth Grade students are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation, to be held at Christ the King Church on April 19th. A reminder that Sponsor Forms are due March 16th.

Catholic Schools

Reminders about the up-coming Catholic Schools' Week . . .

DUE TODAY, WED., JANUARY 25th, student recital sign-up forms. The recital will be held in the MRC on Friday, February 3rd, 9:30 AM. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

You also may want to join us for the first ever "Our Catholic Faith" Bee, facilitated by our own, Father Tim. Please note the time change: 1 PM, moved back from original note of 2 PM. That's Thursday, February 2, 1 PM, MRC.

Join us for our Kick-off Mass, this Sunday, January 29th, 10 Mass, followed by coffee and donuts and **OPEN HOUSE** in the school, 11—Noon!

SEE TODAY'S ATTACHMENTS:

- February Calendar
 - "Partners in Faith" January Newsletter (2 pages)
 - CYC Golf League Sign-Up (Due this Friday, January 27th!)
 - Mission Carnival Ticket Sales Order Form! Due February 17th! Don't delay!
- (scroll below this newsletter . . .)
- NOTE LAST WEEK'S POST ~ Catholic Schools' Week, posted January 18th. Don't forget Our Lady's Inn!

CKS INTERNATIONAL DAY, March 16

We are in need of volunteers to facilitate this event ~ a celebration of diversity throughout the rich cultures around the world and in our own community! Join us at this Thursday's Home and School Meeting, or contact our chair, CKS Parent, Laura Butsch at laurabutsch@yahoo.com to see how you can help!

FINANCIAL AID 2012-2013

Both the Archdiocesan FACTS Financial Aid Application for Catholic families and Christ the King's Endowment Fund Application for Catholic and Non-Catholics, are now available. Application deadline for both is April 1, 2012. You will need copies of your 2011 Income Tax Return, copies of all 2011 W-2 Wage and Tax Statements for applicant and co-applicant, copies of all supporting documentation such as Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Comp., etc. A \$25 non-refundable fee is required with the Archdiocesan grant.

**FEBRUARY 16th
HOT LUNCH MENU!**

In celebration of Black History Month, lunch will be provided *FREE of charge*, allowing us to enjoy an African stew (but not spicy!) made of chicken, beef and vegetables with a dessert of sweet potato pie! (Water will be available to drink. Milk buyers will have milk.) **Parents are welcome to join us, we simply ask that you call ahead, 314.725.5855 no later than Monday, February 13. Students may also choose to bring a lunch this day.**

DID SCHOOL SUPPLIES come in this year's Christmas stocking or under the tree? It might be time to purchase new notebooks, pencils, crayons . . . Check with your student!

**REGISTRATION 2012-2013
IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Registration forms for the 2012-2013 school year will be posted on our website: ctkstl.com, the week of February 6th under a link titled "Policies, Procedures and Forms". **Due to the data collection we have with FAST DIRECT, returning families (without a 2012-2013 Kindergarten enrollee) will have significantly less paper work to complete with registration and will no longer need to come in to school to register!** If re-enrolling in FACTS, you will simply need to verify any changes in personal and banking information. Signing off on a Verification Letter along with your 2012-2013 Contract will complete the process! (THIS LETTER IS SPECIFIC TO EACH FAMILY ALREADY ON FACTS AND WILL BE SENT HOME TO YOU, ALONG WITH OTHER NECESSARY FORMS TO COMPLETE, DUE BACK ON FEBRUARY 24th.) More information to come.

New families and those enrolling a Kindergarten student will do so on Thursday evening, March 1st, 7-8 PM, Christ the King School—main floor (enter Balson doors).

CHRIST THE KING
will host a required
**"Protecting God's
Children" Workshop—
REQUIRED OF ALL CKS
PARENTS,** in the MRC on
Wednesday, February 1st,
7-9 PM. To register or to
learn more, contact parish
secretary, Janet Karlen at
314.721.8737.

DON'T FORGET "PENNY WARS" going on until this Friday! Your donations in this friendly "competition" are going to assist the efforts of World Pediatric Project, allowing children the medical care they deserve and could not otherwise receive.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!****January 25**

Taylor B.

January 26

Mr. Schulte

Elena K.

Joey N.

January 30

Mrs. Webb

January 31

Maria M.

Jean P.

Caroline S.

February 1

William B.

HALF-BIRTHDAY**July 25**

Reilly T.

July 27

Mei K.

July 30

Maura M.

August 1

Keenan C.

Jordyn H.

Katie K.

SEE NEXT WEEK'S
NEWSLETTER TO
LEARN OF THE
OUTCOME OF OUR
5th GRADERS IN
THE WINTER
DANCING
CLASSROOMS
COMPETITION!

NEWEST LECTORS
AND GIFT BEARERS
AT CKS ~ Our 1st
and 2nd Grade stu-
dents are helping us
prepare and deliver
school liturgies at
weekday Masses!
Check with you child
about upcoming
Masses scheduled for
their grade! The chil-
dren had their first
Masses last week and
they did an AWE-
SOME job!