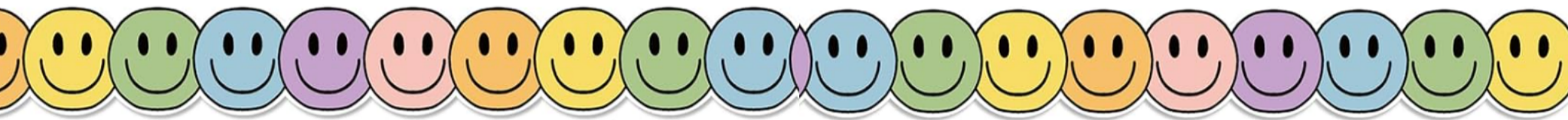


Mrs. Whitney's PRE-SCHOOL NEWS



What's Happening in PS!

Woowee! We were SO glad to be back all together again! I hope that everyone had a great break. I hope you were able to spend a lot of family time together, watching movies, drinking hot cocoa and just loving on each other during the Christmas season. The extra snow days were unexpected however I hope you were able to enjoy the extra time together making memories!

This week back we started things slowly! Being 3 + 4 can be tricky sometimes but they have done a great job getting back in routine, and following our classroom rules/expectations! They were so excited to be back together (and so was I!)

We worked on reviewing letters A-K this week and next week we will move on to mastering letter 'L'. We also did name practice and had so much fun at center time with various winter crafts! Sneezzy the Snowman was a favorite this week, they thought he was so silly. They loved making their own melty snowmen and coming up with reasons why he melted. They're hanging gorgeously in the hallway! We also water colored our own winter snowman scene. We played with new toys, puzzles and have celebrated so many birthdays!

It was a great first week back. We will continue learning about Winter/Snow and next week one of our favorites - Arctic + Arctic Animals!

We were also excited to go to music with Miss Beck and to see Father Robert for Religion. He blessed our classroom with an Epiphany Blessing for 2025. It will bless our Classroom and all who enter for the rest of the year. He wrote "20 + C + B + M + 25" over our door in chalk.

He said he heard of a news article that during the California Wild fires a family had done this prayer and wrote the blessing in chalk over the door frame and their home was spared in the fires. It sends shivers down my spine! What a blessing of God.

Catholic Schools week is quickly approaching. We celebrate this the week of January 27-31st with dress up days and school activities! Our dress up days this year are as follows:

- Monday - PJ Day
 - Tuesday - Twin/Opposite Day
 - Wednesday - Career Day
 - Thursday - Red Carpet Day
 - Friday - Jersey/Sports Day (Picked by the Johnson Brothers)
- *Johnson Brothers won this choice at last years dinner + auction!*

The time has come and the date has been scheduled! Please join us on March 15th for our annual St. Mary's Dinner + Auction. Tickets are now available to purchase from St. Mary's students, at the school office or by contacting Abraham Naas (618.559.0673) Tickets are \$35/ticket or \$280 for a table of 8. Formerly known as City Lights, this years Dinner + Auction is going to be a SHAM-ROCKIN' good time!

Our Focus ↘



OUR VIRTUE: **KINDNESS CHANGES EVERYTHING**

NEXT WEEK SNACK

No School
Harper
Tenley
Elsie
Teddy

We have *17* for snack!

COMING UP!

Jan 20th - NO SCHOOL
Jan 24th - 100th day Celebration!
Jan 28th - IVONI's BIRTHDAY!
Jan 27-31 - Catholic Schools Week
Feb 2nd - Miss Abby's Birthday!
Feb 11th - Mrs. Whitney's Birthday!
Feb 14th - Valentines Day Party!
11:45 Dismissal
Feb 17th - NO SCHOOL

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CHALKING THE DOOR
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025
CHRISTUS MANSIONEM BENEDICAT
20 + C + M + B + 25
MAY CHRIST BLESS THIS DWELLING.
AMEN!
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