

# NATIVITY OF MARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## FEBRUARY 2012



### *From the Principal's Desk:*

#### **Nativity of Mary School**

Founded in Faith  
United in Family  
Joined in Service  
Enriched in Wisdom  
Celebrated in Success  
**Values for Life**

Thank you to all our teachers, parents and students who helped to make our Open House/Academic Fair a tremendous success.

Thank you to all our families that joined us for Mass, brought in food for our celebration and stopped by to visit and view the students' work. It was great to see the children's eyes light up when they asked mom or dad to come see their projects. That was priceless!

A special thank you to the Advancement Committee and Mrs. Courtney Frisch for setting up, sitting at the registration table, giving tours, putting the signs out and being there on Sunday to support Nativity School. Your hard work was greatly appreciated.

Nativity School is a special school because of all the committed and dedicated people who help to make this possible. We are truly blessed!

Our character for the month of February is Kindness. Kindness is caring that springs from compassion. We have genuine concern for the welfare of others. We give tender attention in simple ways that bring others happiness.

***"Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile..." Mother Teresa***



### Important Dates Reminder

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>-Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>:**  
Scholastic Book Fair in Library

**Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>:**  
Catholic Charities Dress Down Day-cost \$1.00

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>-Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>:**  
Mid-Winter Recess

**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>:**  
• Ash Wednesday  
• 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Krolick's Fish Fry 3pm-7pm

**Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>:**  
School Resumes



### Another Great Catholic Schools Week!

We had a great week of celebrating Nativity School and Catholic Education.

A special thank you to Mrs. Hoag and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class for all their hard work in making Kindness Day so special for us.

Congratulations to all our winners during Catholic Schools Week!



### School Spirit Day

K Readiness-James Cassada & Lily Newer  
Kindergarten-Thomas Schroeder  
1st Grade-Amy Hamilton & Meghan Trapper  
2nd Grade-Roslyn Stein  
3rd Grade-Therese Hahn  
4th Grade-Isaac Petrella & Luke Szablewski  
5th Grade-Bridget Mazurowski & Nicole Balcerak  
6th Grade-Brendan Trapper & Grace Harvey  
7th Grade-Rachel Levea & Dan Wilde  
8th Grade-Ryan Scello, Anastasia Flynn & Ben Hartman



## Crazy Healthy Hat Day

K Readiness-Andrew Moberg & Kylie Dean  
 Kindergarten-Curtis Zaepfel  
 1st Grade-Marco Gallo & Aiden Bauer  
 2nd Grade-Antonio Gallo  
 3rd Grade-Regina Ajtai  
 4th Grade-Lauren Bergman & Vito Gallo  
 5th Grade-Francesco Gallo & Angelina Capozzolo  
 6th Grade-Nick Vaillancourt & Sydney David  
 7th Grade-Simon Wulf & Dan Wilde  
 8th Grade-Ben Hartman & Anastasia Flynn



## Sports Day

K Readiness-Avery McConnell & Ryan Geasling  
 Kindergarten-Sarah Meyer & Noah Suchyna  
 1st Grade-Paul Bergman  
 2nd Grade-Katie Bapst  
 3rd Grade-Michael Stuermer & Erin Trapper  
 4th Grade-Nicholas Stein & Ashton Walter  
 5th Grade-Daniel Bergman & Samantha LaDuca  
 6th Grade-Sydney David & Sydney Petrella  
 7th Grade-Cameron More  
 8th Grade-Jack Semko



## Kindness Day



K Readiness-Andrew Moberg & Lily Nuwer  
 Kindergarten-Brett Erbacher & Frank Zambito  
 1st Grade-Emma Unger & Jacob Jaskolka  
 2nd Grade-Tessa Vaccaro, Riley Morris & Anna-Valece Bauer  
 3rd Grade-Regina Ajtai & Kendelle Erbacher  
 4th Grade-Luca Cutaia & Sarah Hudi  
 5th Grade-Brian Wulf & Francesco Gallo  
 6th Grade-Mitchell Stein & Bobby Jellinick  
 7th Grade-Alex Semko & Isabelle Kertzie  
 8th Grade-Helen Gibson & Ben Hartman

## Principal for the Day

Thank you Miss Natalie Myszka for being our Principal for the Day! You did a terrific job!



## Facilities Manager for the Day

Thank you to Mr. Noah Harvey for being our Facilities Manager for the Day! You did a terrific job!



## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is a very important day in the Catholic Church. Even though we will not be in school, please make time to attend a mass to receive ashes.



## Lent

Lent is the annual preparation for Easter calling us to reform and open our hearts. We begin Lent on Ash Wednesday by receiving ashes on our forehead. This is a reminder that someday our life on earth will come to an end and we will have eternal life with Jesus, thanks to His saving death on the cross and His resurrection on Easter.

During Lent we should practice the three main disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These practices offer us all opportunities to grow in faith and in love for God. From Scripture, there's never a question that Christ's followers are to pray, fast and give alms.



### Easter Candy Sales

Thank you to Mrs. Cutaia for coordinating our annual Easter Candy Sale. This year we have selected a new company to work with, Platter's Chocolates in North Tonawanda.

Sales will begin on Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. All orders **with payment** must be returned by Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Candy pick-up will be on Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Fish Fry**  
**8th Grade Ash Wednesday**  
**Krolick's Fish Fry**  
**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**3pm-7pm**

**Dine In or Take Out**  
**\$9 per dinner pre sale**  
**Thank you for your support!!**



### Congratulations to the February



- Kindergarten-Sarah Meyer
- 1st Grade-Natalie Myszka
- 2nd Grade-Riley Faso
- 3rd Grade-Erin Trapper
- 4th Grade-Lauren Bergman
- 5th Grade-Samantha LaDuca
- 6th Grade-Emma Kleinmann
- 7th Grade-Rachel Levea
- 8th Grade-Ava Calabrese



### Sewing Club

In the spring, the students in Sewing Club will be participating in Project HOPE Art. The girls will be making sundresses to send to Nadine's Orphanage in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti.

### Congratulations 8<sup>th</sup> Grade!!

Congratulations to our 8<sup>th</sup> graders on their acceptance to a Catholic High School and their scholarship awards. They have worked very hard for the past nine years and their accomplishments are a true testament to their commitment to academic excellence. We at Nativity are very proud of you and all you have accomplished!

The following 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have been accepted for the Class of 2016:

#### ***Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart***

Catlin Conway – St. Clare Scholarship - \$4,400  
Amanda Schifferle

#### ***Canisius High School***

Benjamin Hartman - Presidential Scholarship \$8,000  
Charles Kolber - Ignatian Scholar Honors Program - Presidential Scholarship - \$8,000  
Tyler Will - Ignatian Scholars Honors Program - Presidential Scholarship - \$32,000

#### ***Holy Angels Academy***

Ava Calabrese – Academic Achievement Award- \$3,000  
Amanda Schifferle – Leadership Award - \$2,000

#### ***Mount St. Mary Academy***

Ava Calabrese  
Anastasia Flynn

#### ***St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute***

Benjamin Hartman - De La Salle Scholarship - \$10,000  
Charles Kolber - Christian Brother's Scholarship - \$6,000  
Ryan Scello  
Jack Semko  
Tyler Will - Presidential Scholarship - \$22,000

#### ***St. Mary's High School***

Helen Gibson – Academic Scholarship - \$250  
Ann Hamilton – Academic Scholarship - \$250  
Matthew Hahn

