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HEAD OF SCHOOL *happenings*

Dear Pope Francis Global Academy Parents and Guardians,

As we look ahead to the end of January, Catholic Schools Week is fast approaching. Catholic Schools Week gives us the opportunity to celebrate and showcase our school, curriculum, our resources, our extracurriculars, and all that we have to offer as a school! We will begin Catholic Schools Week on

Sunday, January 26, 2020, with Mass at our four founding parishes followed by an Open House at each campus.

Please take a moment and talk to your friends and neighbors about the schools at each campus and invite them to the Open House on the 26th.

North Campus Families

There will be an informational St. Thecla Parent Night Meeting with Fr. Mike on Tuesday, January 21st at 7:00 pm in Haran Nelson Hall at St. Thecla School where parents can find out about the new school/parish and ask any questions that they may have.

There will be a St. Thecla Student Shadow Day on Wednesday, January 22nd from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm where St. Thecla students are invited to come to the North Campus to get to know the campus, the students, the curriculum, and the teachers.

A Pizza Lunch will be provided to all PFGA North and St. Thecla students. Students will receive one pie cut slice of pizza along with lemonade. Hot lunch will not be canceled in case students prefer their hot lunch and do not want pizza. Also, students are welcomed to bring an additional lunch to satisfy their additional hunger.

Students will have the opportunity to ask Fr. Mike questions and get to know each other through games and activities.

New School Enrollment

As we look forward to next year and the new parish school, Fr. Mike, the school administration, Kathy Collins from St. Thecla, and the Office of Catholic Schools, have been working to establish the new school's tuition and fee rates for the 2020-2021 school year.

Although we do not know the new parish name yet, we will be able to provide enrollment information at our upcoming Catholic Schools Week Open House on Sunday, January 26th. Once the new parish name is announced, we will be able to open a new school FACTS account so that parents can enroll online.

South Campus Families' Re-enrollment

Please keep in mind that re-enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year has begun and is 100% online again this year. You can [BEGIN HERE](#).

If you have any questions about re-enrollment, sibling enrollment, or financial aid, please contact Mrs. Jodi Thyen, Director of Admissions and Advancement (jthyen@pfgacademy.org). If you have any questions about academics, please contact either Mr. Argamaso (eargamaso@pfgacademy.or) or me (mkinel@pfgacademy.org) to answer any questions or address any concerns.

Can we give a plug to Casino Night?

Casino Night Kick-Off and Parent Mingle

Don't forget that our Casino Night Committee is kicking off this new event with a parent mingle this Wednesday night at 6:30. You can catch up with old friends, have a drink and some light treats, and find out how you can help make Casino Night a great fundraiser!

Blessings and peace,

Margaret Kinel
Head of School

UPCOMING EVENTS

[PFGA Website](#) - Please check often as the website contains the most updated information

January 20 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL

January 24 - 8th Grade Graduation Photos

January 25 - 8th Grade Confirmation Retreat

January 26 - Open House North Campus 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

- Open House South Campus 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

January 27 - 31 Catholic School's Week - See Parents' Club Section for details

February 7 - Staff Development - NO SCHOOL

PARENT NEWS

RE-ENROLLMENT FOR POPE FRANCIS GLOBAL ACADEMY SOUTH

Re-enrolling for current PFGA South families is open for the 2020-21 school year! Enrollment is once again on FACTS and is virtually identical to enrollment last year. There are a couple of re-enrollment incentives again this year, including the \$100 discount on the Enrollment Fee and the \$300 referral bonus. If you have any specific questions about how to get re-enrolled, please contact Jodi Thyen at jthyen@pfgacademy.org.

[SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS AND INCENTIVES ARE HERE.](#)

UPCOMING ADMISSIONS EVENTS AT BOTH CAMPUSES

Please spread the word that we are kicking off "enrollment season" at both Pope Francis Global Academy and at the New School of Sts. Cornelius, Tarcissus, and Thecla with some upcoming tours for prospective parents.

North Campus/New School of SCTT Events - RSVP to KathyCollinsAdmissions@gmail.com

- OPEN HOUSE - Sunday, January 26 from 10:30-12:30
- Admissions Tour - February 5 from 6-7 pm
- Admissions Tour - February 6 from 8:30-9:30 am

South Campus Events - [RSVP HERE](#)

- OPEN HOUSE - Sunday January 26 from 11:00am -1:00 pm
- Tuesday, February 4 from 6-7 pm
- Wednesday, February 5 from 8:30-9:30 am

OPEN HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will once again need all hands on deck for BOTH of the Open House events on Sunday, January 26. Both schools could really use the help of parents to promote the events, prepare for the events, help guide tours for prospective families at the events, and man tables at the events. You will earn volunteer hours for any of the jobs you sign up for!

[Sign up to volunteer at the North Campus/New School of SCTT](#)

[Sign up to volunteer at the South Campus/PFGA](#)

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP - MATCHING GRANT STILL AVAILABLE ON DONATIONS!

The Illinois State Tax Credit Scholarships are funded through donations made by people who 1.) support Catholic (or any private) schools and 2.) would like a direct tax CREDIT against their Illinois state tax bill. In essence, if you owe the state \$1,000, and donate \$1,000 to one of our schools through this program, you can essentially net out paying the state \$250 instead of \$1,000, and the school gets \$1,000 in TCS Scholarship money. And, right now, until February 13 (or until the funding for the match runs out) **YOUR GIFT WILL BE TRIPLED** by a very generous matching grant! Please visit our school website or contact Jodi Thyen to learn all the details, regardless of which school you'd like to donate to. Even if your tax burden is small, your impact can be very big! jthyen@pfgacademy.org.

PARENTING IN A WORLD OF TECHNOLOGY

[APPS to Watch Out For](#)

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

North Campus Student Council Happenings

South Campus Student Council Happenings

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

CASINO NIGHT UPDATES

We are SO EXCITED to announce that we have 2 sponsors that have come in so far for helping to underwrite the costs involved with the event! Thanks to those who are going out helping us get sponsors...please keep up the great work! Please give these great local businesses your business when you have the opportunity!

[MR. VO AUTO CLINIC](#) is joining with a Full House Sponsorship and

[GALE STREET INN](#) is in with a High Card Sponsorship!

We are also still looking for people to help out on various sub-committees for this fun new fundraiser! Don't forget our **KICK-OFF EVENT...THE CASINO NIGHT PARENT MINGLE...** next Wednesday Night, January 22 from 6:30-8:30 at the Mason Orchard Auditorium. It will be fun to have a drink, catch up, and find out all the little (and big) ways that you can help out with the main event on February 29! [MINGLE INVITE IS HERE.](#)

If you can't be on the committee, you can still help out by volunteering with any variety of things. A sign up sheet will be coming out soon!

- [Casino Night Invitation](#)
- [Casino Night - What Can You Do to Help?](#)
- [Casino Night Prize and Sponsor Solicitation Letter and Form](#)
- [Purchase Tickets HERE!](#)

QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE

The Pot is OVER \$22,000

Steve Dodovich receives \$100 for choosing #50 and revealing the 3 of Hearts.

Diane O'Neill receives a Porretta's hat and a bottle of wine.

Colleen McGuire also receives a bottle of wine and a \$25 gift certificate to Porretta's.

Thank you to John Panvino for his generous donation of wine and gift certificates each week on behalf of our school.

Thank you to everyone for your support of our school.

Buy your tickets at either campus office or at Trattoria Porretta.

Available Numbers

2 3 4 5 8 9 10 14 18 24 27 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 39 40 42 44 45 46 49 53 54

PARENT CLUB NEWS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY PARENTS' CLUB

Parents' Club is happy to announce that they will be hosting several events for the kids & staff throughout Catholic Schools Week. The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to school, the kiddos will be treated to a pizza lunch and we will also be treating the teachers and staff to a delicious lunch. We need lots of volunteers to pull this off so please consider volunteering for a few shifts.

All events take place at both campuses. All volunteers must be fully Archdiocese Compliant in order to be in the building during regular school hours Questions? Just ask! parentsclub@pfgacademy.org

THANK YOU!!!

[Catholic Schools Week Volunteer Opportunities](#)

ANNUAL PARENTS' CLUB SWEETHEART DANCE IS JANUARY 24!

The Sweetheart Dance tradition continues this year on Friday night, January 24 at the Pacocha Center at St. Cornelius. Complete information is [HERE](#).

- Purchase tickets for a pair (1 adult/1 student) [HERE](#).
 - Purchase tickets for a family [HERE](#).
 - Volunteer Sign Up [HERE](#).
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SHOUT OUTS

Congratulations to the following Pope Francis Global Academy alumnae at Resurrection High School receiving Honors

First Honors

Seniors - Hannah Baase, Taylor Crawford, Emma Gillespie, Sierra Hyland, Amy Nallon, Emma Sawchuk

Juniors - Ryan Cheever, Valeria Colin, Jaimie King, Christina Kinsch, Emma Markham, Carson McGrath, Gianna Salerno, Molly Schreiber, Zoey Stott, Angela Gonzalez, Madalyn Ozog

Sophomore - Kiera Figueroa, Allision Rebholz, Zoe Vos

Freshman - Anngeli Claudio, Teagan Handrigan, Luvis Lim, Stella Pry-Brown, Mary Stachula, Kirra Stopka, Caroline Wiatr

Second Honors

Senior - Sarah Lach, Samantha Saldana, Maria Santamaria

Junior - Caitlyn Tibbs,

Sophomore - Nicole Nallon, Katherine Nickeas

Freshman - Sophia Stowell, Megan Walsh

SPORTS NEWS

Come on out to support our sports teams, if you can, as they represent our school in the community!

[Athletics schedules](#)

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL - 4th and 5th grade

The season will begin in mid-January. If your daughter is interested in joining the team, please email Darlene Duggan (duggan5738@comcast.net) to be added to the roster. The girls will play in a developmental league hosted by St. Bart's School. Games will be on the weekends with 1-2 practices (at North Campus gym) held during the weekdays. It's a fun season and a great introduction to the sport--we hope to see everyone on the court!



FOUNDING PARISH EVENTS

ST. PASCAL 2ND GRADE COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION IMPORTANT DATES

[St. Pascal 2ND Grade Important Dates](#)

ST. PASCAL CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Every Sunday during 10 AM Mass

ST. TARCISSUS CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

[Children's Liturgy of the Word](#)

CURRENT BULLETINS

[Our Lady of Victory](#)

[St. Cornelius](#)

[St. Pascal](#)

[St. Tarcissus](#)

AROUND TOWN

[Trinity Winter Entrance Exam](#)

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