Ghe BIRD WORD Monthly Newsletter



FEBRUARY EVENTS

RE-REGISTRATION1-19

NO SCHOOL FEBRUARY
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PRESIDENT'S DAY NO SCHOOL FEBRUARY 15

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS
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LENTEN RETREAT 17

OPEN ENROLLMENT 22

Lenten Giving: Rice bowls will go out next week.





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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

On January 30, St. Mary's kicked off Catholic School Week with a beautiful Mass. Our students read at Mass, and Father Clement talked about the value of a Catholic education. Beginning on Monday, each day the students were allowed to dress according to a theme for the day. (This is a BIG DEAL when you usually have to wear a uniform everyday!). On Monday, our students donated toys and art & crafts supplies to the pediatric patients at Carrie Tingley Hospital. On Tuesday, our parents were gifted a token of our appreciation of a blessed St.

Joseph's medal and praying card. On Wednesday, we celebrated our wonderful priests and had t-shirts made for them. Thursday was staff appreciation, and boy did we feel appreciated! We ended the week recognizing our wonderful students



with our annual Minute To Win It games. It was an exciting week, and made all of us truly appreciate the gift of a Catholic education.



REGRISTRATION BEGINS!!

Registration for our current students started February 1 and will run through February 19. There is a \$200 registration fee that will increase to \$350 after February 19. Open enrollment for new students will begin on February 22, 2021. Families on the waiting list will start receiving calls on February 19.



President Beall made an appearance on career day!



CATHOLIC IDENTITY

During Catholic School Week, St. Mary's held a mask design contest. The students were asked to design a mask that showed their Catholic Identity. All the mask were wonderfully done, and the judging was difficult. We did, however have a winner. Congratulations Riley Guerrero from 1st grade. Riley received a \$15 gift card to Cold Stone and candy.

St. Mary's Hires an Alumni to teach PE



St. Mary's would like to welcome Samantha Padilla back home! Samantha became a Roadrunner as a kindergartener, and graduated from St. Mary's as an eighth grader in 2012. She attended BHS and then went to NMSU for her college career. She double majored in Agricultural Economics & Agricultural Business and Project Supply Chain Management. Samantha has strong family roots in Valencia County, and in December reached out to St. Mary's letting us know she wanted to come back. Samantha was offered the PE position in January, and began classes this past week. The students are enjoying PE and we are so happy to have her on our staff.

Gifts of the Holy Spirit — Fortitude

Awards were given for fortitude to Kinder Amrie Tellez, 1st grader Tristyn Satriana, 2nd grader Apollonia Sanchez, 3rd grader Ruth Worley, 4th grader Destinee Rael, 5th grader Myanna Lee, 6th grader Ainsley Casias-McKay, 7th grader Olivia Burdett, and 8th grader Treg Sanchez





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