St. Alphonsus Catholic School
Kaleidoscope Connection

Forming Faith and Future

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Principal's Message

Next week we will celebrate Catholic School's Week. Several fun activities are planned as well as some activities to say "thank you" to the many people who make Catholic education possible. We appreciate your decision to send your child to St. Alphonsus School!

Tuesday evening the Diocese of Baton Rouge will honor its 2012 Distinguished Graduates. St. Alphonsus School is honored to announce Dennis Phillips as our Distinguished Graduate for 2012. Mr. Phillips graduated from St. Alphonsus in 1970. He is President of Phillips Electric Company, Inc. and a managing partner of Phillips Crawfish, LLC. Mr. Phillips feels the focus of Catholic education is on God's way of life and teaches discipline and responsibility to our children. Have a wonderful weekend! Cindy Ryals

Catholic Schools Week

Each year the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Baton Rouge collect items for Catholic Charities. Below are items that St. Alphonsus School has been asked to collect. These item are due in the school office by Thursday, February 2nd. Baby Items: diapers, pull-ups, wipes, new onsies. No formula or food, please. Monetary donations are also accepted.

Catholic Schools Week Themes

Themes for each day are attached to this week's KC.

Re-Enrollment Information

The application process for re-enrollment is ongoing. Parents can complete the online re-enrollment process for returning students. You can also register new students that are siblings of returning students at this time. **Re-enrollment is completed through RenWeb.** Please note that you must have a valid ParentsWeb account to begin the re-enrollment process. If you do not have an account, contact Mr. Cutrer in the school office to set up an account. While we encourage current families to complete the re-enrollment process online, we will offer hard copies of applications in the school office. The deadline for registration is February 17th. After February 17th, registration will open for new students.

School Mass Change

Due to Catholic Schools Week, our weekly school mass will be on Monday, January 30th instead of that Friday, February 3rd.

Upcoming Events

- January 29 - Catholic Schools Week
- January 29 - Open House
- January 30 - School Mass
- January 31 - Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- January 31 - Rosary Group

Say sorry to others and God says sorry to you.

Allison Turner 1B

Home and School

Teacher Appreciation luncheon is Tuesday, January 31. If anyone is interested in helping with this event, please contact Jennifer Breaux at 975- 6439 or 261-0790.

Rosary Group

The first Rosary Group of 2012 will be on Tuesday, January 31st in the chapel in the back of the church. Staff, students, and families of St. Alphonsus Church and School are invited to attend.

God's Helping Hands

Our service project for this month will be to help our school during open house. It will take place on Sunday, January 29th. Please arrive at 12pm in the courtyard and open house will be from 1pm till 4pm. Please wear your God's Helping Hands T-Shirt. Thank you for your support. Mrs. de la Houssaye

Open House

Open House for prospective students will be on Sunday, January 29th from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. Tours will begin in the cafeteria. If you know of families interested in attending St. Alphonsus School, please let them know of this great opportunity to tour the campus and meet teachers and staff.

Math-A-Thon

It's time to get your math skills ready! Math-A-Thon information and permission slips will go home on February 9th.

Athletics

Congratulations to our 7th and 8th grade boys basketball teams for each placing 2nd in the Holy Family basketball tournament this week. Volleyball and track registration are underway, if you have any questions about registration, please contact Jason Ramsey @ 241-4371.

Pack the Gym

Come support our 8th grade boys as they play their last home basketball game on February 2nd. Any student bringing 5 pop tops will get a free popcorn!!

Fun Dress Day Success

We collected $335.33 for our fun dress day in January for the Baton Rouge Food Bank. Thank you so much for your generosity and support.

Tuition Reminder

Those who have the monthly ACH drafts for tuition will not be drafted during the month of February. This is to allow for payment of registration fees. Drafts will resume in March.

Faith. Academics. Service.

Catholic Schools

Catholic School's Week Activities for January 30th – February 3rd

Monday (1/30) –Service in our Community

Team Day - Students may wear their favorite team jersey. Bring in one canned good.

Tuesday (1/31) – Service in our Students

Pajama Day – Students may wear their pajamas to school with their Spirit Shirt.

Older students pair up with younger grade levels to read to them:
PreK3 & 4th grade; PreK4 & 5th grade; Kindergarten & 6th grade;
1st grade & 7th grade; 2nd, 3rd, & 8th grade

Wednesday (2/1) – Service in our Nation

Crazy Hair Day – Students can come to school with crazy hair.

Students will write letters to men and women in the service.

Thursday (2/2) – Service in our Vocations

Backwards Day – Students may wear the uniform backwards.

Students will write letters to our priests, deacons and sisters in our community: Father Mike – 8th & 2nd grade,
Deacon Phil - 7th & 1st grade
Sister Saundra – 6th grade & Kindergarten
Sister Ester – 5th grade & PreK4 (pictures)
Deacon Ronnie – 4th grade
Deacon Robert – 3rd grade

Friday (2/3) – Service in our Faculty, Staff & Volunteers

Free Dress Day & 8th Grade/Teacher Volley Ball Game. Students may come to school with complete free dress. Clothes should be appropriate for a school setting. No short shorts or shirts with any type of shoulder straps. Sleeves must completely cover the shoulder.