



Immaculate Conception School

February 2, 2018 Newsletter



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IMPORTANT DATES/UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 12 Play Meeting (7th and 8th Grade Parents and Students) 7:00 pm in the Library
- February 14 Ash Wednesday School Mass (9:15 am)
- February 16 Noon Dismissal- Faculty Meeting- Winter Recess Begins

FROM THE DESK OF MR. KAPPERMAN

Dear Parents,

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! to all of the parents that have assisted with making this year's Catholic Schools Week a great success. The children seemed to have enjoyed all of the fun activities. It would not have been possible without you! Thank you from J'Neene as well to all the volunteers for Tuesday's grandparents coffee social.

Dress Code Reminder: Parents, please take some time to review our dress code policy regarding uniform shirts, shoes, socks, belts, haircuts, make-up, etc. I have advised the teachers to pay closer attention to the code and be more diligent in enforcing it.

Valentines for Sale! Beginning Monday we will be selling packages of Valentine's Cards for \$1.00 during the lunch periods. The proceeds will go towards assisting with our technology funding at Immaculate Conception School.

Pot of Gold Tickets Due: All Pot of Gold tickets are due today. Please be sure to turn them in.

School-wide Field Trip: As part of our Putting Prayer Into Action Character Education Program and to announce our February trait, acceptance, the entire School will be walking to the Aurora Theater for a showing of the hit movie "Wonder". Permission slips will be handed out next week. There will be no cost for this trip.

DATE CHANGE!: The Field Day for the students in 5-8 Grade has been changed to Wednesday, June, 6 due to a scheduling conflict with the district. Please adjust your calendars accordingly. Thank you.

Eighth Grade Accolades: Please see the attached sheet and join me in congratulating those students listed. Each of them has earned a scholarship to an area Catholic High School. We are proud of you!

Respect Article: Please take a moment to read the enclosed article on respect. I found it to be relevant since this month's trait is respect.

I hope you have a blessed and enjoyable week.

Sincerely,

Scott C. Kapperman M.S., Ed.
ICS Principal

Congratulations to the eighth graders who won scholarships at the area Catholic High Schools:

Jack Accurso- St. Francis High School-3/4 Tuition

Tara Denz-St. Mary's High School-\$1,000

Sydney Gunner-Mount Mercy Academy- Full Tuition Scholarship

Zachary Hawley- St. Francis High School-1/4 Tuition

Ava Keicher-Sacred Heart Academy-\$14,000 Scholarship

Natalie Kupczyk-St. Mary's High School- \$3,500

Bridget Martin-St. Mary's High School-\$3,000

Jacob Metro-St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute-\$1,500

Patrick Regan-St. Francis High School-\$1,600

Ashley Szczerbacki-St. Mary's High School-\$500.00

6 myths about respect

Understanding exactly what is (and isn't) respect can help your family set expectations for how to treat each other, communicate — and even disagree — respectfully.

by: *S. Michele Fry* (<https://www.greatschools.org/gk/author/mfry/>) | December 12, 2017



Are you concerned that your child doesn't respect you? Does he talk back, roll his eyes, or walk away while you're talking?

Teaching respectful behavior (and correcting disrespectful behavior) takes consistency, calm, and follow-through. A good place to start is by considering how you define respect and what respectful communication means to you.

Many of our ideas about respect are red herrings, distracting us from the basic idea of treating all of humanity with honor and dignity (<http://characterfirsteducation.com/c/curriculum-detail/2153253>). The dictionary defines the word in terms of admiration and esteem, but America's Supernanny, parenting expert Deborah Tillman (<http://www.deborahiltillman.com/#!parenting-tips/c34h>), prefers defining it as something everyone deserves, based on the idea that that every individual is a person of worth. "Respect is about the attitude we have, the attention to others that we give, and the acceptance that we show," she says.

So what do you do to create more respect in your family? The first step, Tillman says, is to model it. Next, teach kids how you expect them to treat you and others. It's never too early to start. You may think your precociously smart-mouthed 3-year-old is adorable and laugh at her sass, but you're setting yourself up for more of the same behavior as she grows up. Instead, tell your child (respectfully) that you expect them to use a respectful tone and language. Teach them to say please and thank you and to hold the door for the person behind them. And consider what you mean when you say "respect."

6 myths and misconceptions about respect

- 1 **Respect is not about liking or admiring; nor is it about reverence, esteem, or awe**, as most dictionaries say. It's not putting someone on a pedestal or about certain people deserving respect. **It's about treating all human beings with care and courtesy.**
- 2 **Respect is not obedience** ([http://www.eqi.org/respect.htm#Confusion Between Respect, Obedience and Fear](http://www.eqi.org/respect.htm#Confusion%20Between%20Respect,%20Obedience%20and%20Fear)), **compliance, or agreement.** When your children spread their wings or test their boundaries or argue with you, it may feel like disrespect. But **disagreement is not the same as disrespect.**

How you disagree — for instance, by insulting someone's intelligence or disparaging their opinion — may show a lack of respect. Parents can help their children learn this distinction, Tillman says, by encouraging kids to voice their own unique opinions and teaching them that while their opinion won't necessarily change your mind, they are welcome to express it in a respectful way.

- 3 **Respect is not fear.** A parent who gets obedience by instilling fear ([http://eqi.org/respect.htm#Confusion Between Respect, Obedience and Fear](http://eqi.org/respect.htm#Confusion%20Between%20Respect,%20Obedience%20and%20Fear)) may get results, but that's not **respect**. Instilling fear in your child can breed a lot of other feelings, such as hate, contempt, or irritation, but it's unlikely to develop into respect. And it doesn't teach a child about why they are or are not allowed to do something. Fear-based parenting is a poor communication method, Tillman says.
- 4 **Respect is not earned.** "I have worked with many teens who say respect has to be earned. I don't know where they got that idea," Tillman says. "It's not easy but you have to be accountable for what *you* do, and let God deal with the other person."
- 5 **Respect is not eye contact.** Eye contact is a cultural norm in the United States, where it is considered a sign of interest, honesty and respect. However, in some Middle Eastern countries, it can get you in trouble — especially if you're a woman looking at a man. It can get you in trouble in some Latin American, African, and Asian countries as well because it's almost a challenge. So be aware that people of different backgrounds may find eye contact confusing and disrespectful.
- 6 Respect is not common courtesy and manners. These things can convey respect, but they don't encompass what respect is at its root. Respect is not just a learned habit. What is considered courteous may differ from culture to culture, region to region, generation to generation, and family to family. But **respect — treating each human being with care and consideration — is the same thing universally.**

One dad shares his frustrations as he tries to get his daughter's respect. (</gk/articles/angry-daddy-cant-get-no-respect/>)

Richard Weissbourd, child and family psychologist at Harvard, says tell your kids what you expect in regards to how they treat others. (</gk/videos/parenting-tips-teaching-children-respect-richard-weissbourd-2/>)

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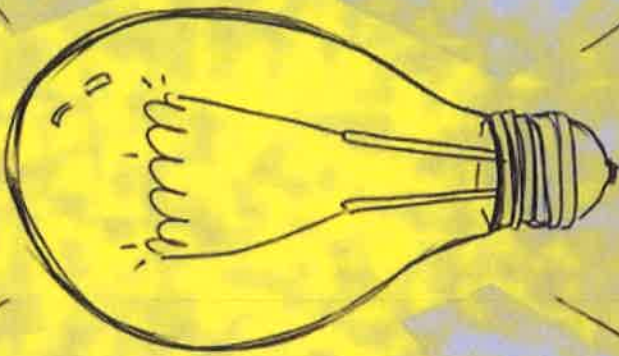
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Creativity in Action!

THE INNOVATION GAMES

Sat. May 5, 2018

Hosted by Holland Jr./Sr High School
103 Canada Street, Holland, NY



Free Event! All are welcome!

10am-2pm

Chicken BBQ, Snacks, Drinks available!

Participants include East Aurora Chamber of Commerce, local businesses and schools such as Holland, Ormsby, East Aurora, Pioneer, Immaculate Conception, Yonkers and more!

Come celebrate S.T.E.A.M. Education with us!

Tech Projects
Science Center
Student Art Show
Trebuchets
TARC Rockets
Robotics

Concrete Canoe Presentation
Bomb Squad Presentation
Egg Drop and Launch
Chalk Art Design Competition
Chopped Cooking Contest
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Sumo Robots
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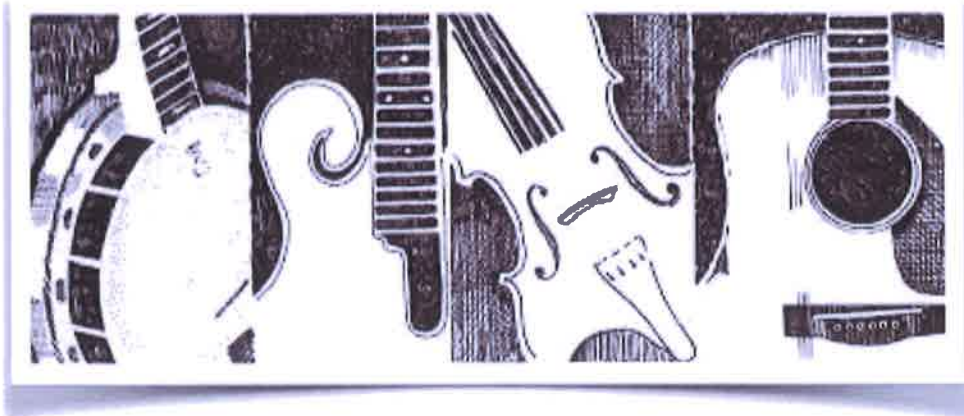
**Western New York Blues Society
Presents**

Free Mentoring for young musicians

**Saturday, February 3rd 2pm - 3:30pm
at
Arts at The Bakery**



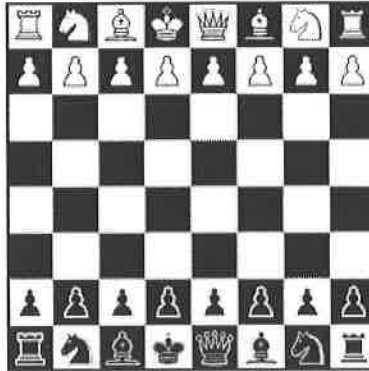
1863 Davis Rd. West Falls 14170



**Come Play and learn with the pros.
Any instrument or skill level welcome.
Call Carolyn at 570-6520 for questions**



JOIN ICS CHESS CLUB



1ST MEETING Tuesday Feb. 13th 3-4:30pm

- If you play or want to learn how to play chess
- Chess teaches logical thinking, problem solving, and sportsmanship
- Meets Tuesdays until 4:30 in caf eteria
- Dates are 2.13, 2.27, 3.6, 3.13, 3.20, 3.27
- Boards will be provided or bring your own board (if you would like)
- If you're interested, sign up in the School office

Contact Mike Hoffman if you have any questions
(716) 491-5834 or mhoff99@yahoo.com

ATTENTION ALL GIRLS IN GRADES 3-8

You are invited to PJ Day at Mount Mercy Academy
Thursday, February 22, 2018
9:00 am – 3:30 pm

Spend one entire day of your February break in your pajamas!

Bring a blanket or sleeping bag, and join us for a fun day of activities!

Register at: www.mtmercy.org/pjday or
contact Molly Gasuik at mgasuik@mtmercy.org or 716-825-8796 ext. 320

Dear Parents of 3rd Graders,

It is time for music classes to start thinking about recorders! This is always a favorite unit for our students, and it's one of my favorite units to teach. 3rd and 4th graders get a chance to apply all the music literacy skills they've learned over the course of the year. This unit will begin after our February break.

New this year, 3rd grade students are asked to purchase a recorder **and** a music book to use for the unit. The price for the recorder and the book is \$7. In the event that a student already has a recorder, they will still need to purchase a book for \$3.00.

Students have their choice of colors for their recorder **Please fill out the order form below and return it to Mrs. Harmon in the office no later than Friday, February 9. All students should return the order form.** I will place an order for recorders and hand them out at the beginning of the unit.

Recorders need to be brought to school every week for music class – both 3rd and 4th graders have music on Tuesday this year. I have a few extra recorders but not enough for the whole class. Please help your child remember to bring his or her recorder and music on the appropriate day!

Please email me at swos@icschoolea.org if you have any questions about recorders!

Thank you!
Mrs. Wos
Music Teacher

Please return this portion and your money to Mrs. Harmon in the office no later than February 9. Recorders and books for 3rd Graders are \$7.00.

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

_____ We already have a recorder and will not be ordering a new one. We have enclosed \$3.00 for a book.

If you are ordering a new recorder, please select a color:

_____ Red _____ Green _____ Yellow _____ Blue _____ Purple

Dear Parents of 4th Graders,

It is time for music classes to start thinking about recorders! This is always a favorite unit for our students, and it's one of my favorite units to teach. 3rd and 4th graders get a chance to apply all the music literacy skills they've learned over the course of the year. This unit will begin after our February break.

Many of the 4th graders already have recorders from last year. If any 4th graders need to purchase recorders, the cost is \$4.00. I will provide all other materials this year.

Students have their choice of colors for their recorder **Please fill out the order form below and return it to Mrs. Harmon in the office no later than Friday, February 9. All students should return the order form, even if they are not ordering a recorder.** I will place an order for recorders and hand them out at the beginning of the unit.

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Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

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If you are ordering a new recorder, please select a color:

_____ Red _____ Green _____ Yellow _____ Blue _____ Purple