

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Listening

- 1. Look at the person who is talking and remain quiet.
- 2. Wait until the person is through talking before you speak.
- 3. Show that you heard them by nodding your head, saying "Okay." "That's interesting," etc.

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,



The night at the library on Monday was a great success—thank you Mrs. Brown for giving us that opportunity. After going to the Bess Dodson Walt Branch Library for the first time myself, I highly recommend it to families with children of all ages. The older children went on a scavenger hunt to find a book, and there was a craft available as well geared towards the younger students. My favorite part was the area near the children's books where my two younger boys loved being. There were toys and wall hangings that kept them each occupied for about an hour with some cozy couches for parents to sit. My youngest, Julian, also had a blast as he was entertained and taken care of by many of our second grade girls (and one Kindergartener). Not only was the night an opportunity to learn more about books and the library, but it was a great chance for our school families to bond.

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

## 2023-2024 SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Register by May 25 to be part of a raffle to win three \$50 gift cards of your choice (through SCRIP). If you register by May 1, you will get two tickets per child. Use the following link to begin the process: https://www.cdolinc.net/enrollment. Returning Student Enrollment will be selected for a student that has been enrolled previously in a Diocese of Lincoln Catholic School. New Student Enrollment will be selected for any student that has NOT been enrolled previously in a Diocese of Lincoln Catholic School (i.e Pre-K or Kindergartener that has not been in Pre-K). After filling out this form, PowerSchool will then send an email for the parent to continue registering the new student. Email Melissaturdy@cdolinc.net with any questions you have. Starting next school year, report cards will be emailed rather than sent home as a hard copy, so please make sure your email on PowerSchool is updated.

## FRIDAY ZOO FIELD TRIP

The Omaha Zoo field trip is this **Friday, April 28**. Only assigned chaperones can lead groups, and students cannot be pulled from these groups for safety reasons. If you'd like to come separately on your own, you are welcome to but please respect our grouping and chaperoning system. **Here** is the breakdown of transportation and zoo groups. The following are some important points to keep in mind for Friday:

 Students will need to bring their back pack or smaller draw-string bag to hold their lunch and drink.

- Students must wear their Unity in the Eucharist shirts for the field trip along with dress down shorts/pants. Please pay attention to weather, as of now it will be chilly and rainy—dress your children appropriately! *No need to have the school shirt showing if the weather doesn't permit it.*
- Students who bring cell phones to school will leave them at school. Any cell phones used during the trip will be confiscated.
- Students took lunch count for Friday's lunch yesterday, so any student who didn't sign up for a sack lunch will need to bring their own lunch and water.
- The front cut-outs will be blocked off for the bus to park. Chaperones can park their cars in the farthest spots from the school in the lot (chaperones, please avoid the drop-off lane in the parking lot).
- We plan to be back just in time for dismissal—students can leave straight from the buses!

# YEARBOOK ORDER FORMS

Yearbook Order Forms went home last week with the youngest and only. Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders do not need to fill out a form because they will be receiving yearbooks for free. Yearbooks are \$15 apiece and forms are due **Monday, May 1**. Please email any questions to megan-katzmarek@cdolinc.net.

# **MAY CROWNING**

We will be celebrating Mary on Monday, May 1 by crowing her and surrounding her with flowers. Your teacher may have already contacted you about either bringing money to purchase these flowers or bringing a flower on Monday morning. Thank you for helping us celebrate our Mother!

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR FOR CONFIRMATION

All 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders (minus those being confirmed) are invited to sing for Confirmation Mass **on Thursday, May 4**. Choir will meet in the school music room at 6:00 PM (or entrance to the school at 5:45 p.m. for those who do not know where the music room is located) and Mass will be at 7:00pm. This would be a great opportunity for siblings of Confirmandi! Contact Julia DeLaRosa Lang if your child would like to participate - (254) 405-0928.

## PTO DINE OUT

Come join us at McDonald's, 2140 K Street on **Wednesday, May 3** from 4-7pm. The PTO will receive 20% of all sales that evening! You can also purchase SCRIP gift cards for McDonald's and Blessed Sacrament will receive 10% from those sales. In order to ensure we order enough gift cards for the Dine Out event, please complete this form at your earliest convenience. See you there!



# TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK - RECESS DUTY

Teacher Appreciation Week is **May 1–5**. The PTO is looking for volunteers to help cover recess duty for the teachers on May 3 for Teacher Appreciation Week. This way the teachers can enjoy their catered-in lunch. **We just need two more volunteers from 10:55-11:25am!** Please sign up **here.** In addition, this is a great time to thank all of our

amazing teachers that work hard to help our children to grow in their education and faith. Please be sure to recognize and thank all of our educators and staff at Blessed Sacrament and any other teachers in your lives.



#### DANCE CHAPERONES

The PTO is excited to be having a dance for the Junior High Catholic Schools, but we can't do it without chaperones. The dance will be Friday, May 5, and chaperones will need to be there from 7:00-9:30 pm. **We just need two more floor monitor volunteers**! Please sign up <u>here</u>.

# **PULLING TOGETHER**

This summer our parish will be expanding the green space on our property through the "Community of Hope" projects. The primary beneficiary of this new expanded area will be the children of our school. Our playground will be more than tripling in size. To maintain the beauty of our existing and additional landscape, you are invited to join a group of fellow church and school parents called "Pulling Together." The mowing crew does a great job with the grass, but our focus will be the landscape areas with trees, shrubs, and flowers. The heavy work of planting has been completed, and our group, "Pulling Together," will do the weed maintenance and mulching.

As you know, we ask all families and their children at our school to give some of their time and talent in various ways. This is a great opportunity to do just that! We ask you and your children to sign up for a preferred month, which will consist of a couple hours total of work. Please sign up here!

Contact Bonnie Evert at 402-770-7546 or <u>bonnieevert51@gmail.com</u> with any questions or if you would like to be more involved.

#### LEGIONARIES OF CHRIST EVENTS

Michael Donlan (a parishioner of St. Joseph parish) and Wayne Ringer (a member of St. Mary in Denton) are coordinating 3 events with 3 priests of the Legionaries of Christ in May. On **Friday, May 5**, we will be hosting a men's evening of reflection at the Ringer family's acreage near Denton. On **Saturday, May 6**, we will be hosting simultaneous father-son events for 4th through 8th graders and 9th through 12th graders followed by a May crowning that is open to all families! These will also take place at the Ringer family's acreage near Denton. Please contact Michael (donlanmichaelj@gmail.com) or Wayne (mringer@windstream.net) with any questions.

## LINCOLN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS DAY OF GIVING

Our Lincoln Catholic Schools have banded together to form a Day of Giving. Although the actual day is **May 16**, you are welcome to give before then <a href="here">here</a>. Money raised will be used for various areas of need including: classroom and school ground updates, student resources, and curriculum support. Keep in mind that all transactions are happening through the Pius Foundation, but the money will go to Blessed Sacrament. Thank you for your support!

## **OLD BSS PLAID**

Since this is the last year students are able to wear the older style BSS plaid, we are gathering the older style to donate to a school in a different state who uses that style. Please bring any of your old plaid that you would not like to keep to the front office.

# SCRIP/RAISERIGHT



Did you know that if every adult in the Blessed Sacrament parish bought a \$100 gift card to purchase groceries just once we would raise over \$7,000 for our church and school? Just like that! What if they did it every month for a year? It is a quick and easy way to support Blessed Sacrament without spending any extra money! Scan the QR code to get set up with an

account or contact Jennie Korth at jenniekorth@gmail.com if you want to learn more! Scrip is always

available at the rectory and on select Sundays between mass (watch the school or church Facebook pages for dates).

# iPADS AVAILABLE

If you are lacking in sources of technology for your children in regards to school, we have more iPads available from a government funded grant during the beginning period of the pandemic. Please email <a href="mailto:Jennifer-tran@cdolinc.net">Jennifer-tran@cdolinc.net</a> if you are interested in receiving one.