

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Following Instructions

- 1. Look at the person.
- 2. Say, "Okay."
- 3. Do what you've been asked right away.
- 4. Check back.

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,

On the way to school on Tuesday, my Pre-K son said he was "soooo…" and I tried to finish his sentence for him when he paused, "tired?" He said, "Nope, I'm sooo EXCITED!" It is so great to be back with a school full of students! On Monday, the faculty had a chance to reflect, serve, and prepare with Eucharistic adoration, serving lunch to those in need at Matt Talbot (and some had a chance to meet and mingle with people eating), and time to work in the classrooms. Although it's tough to leave the coziness of Christmas break (easier for those who have young children 20), it's quite fulfilling to return to such a great group of students and staff. Being the second day back for students, most are back in the groove and excited to have a successful second semester!

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

## **BISHOP'S DAY OFF – MARCH 28**

The Bishop visited our church and school to bless the green space and assist with the burning of our loan papers. He also granted us with a day off. The Bishop's Day off will be Friday, March 28—mark your calendars!

# PAGE ONE - FIRST MEETING

Don't forget that Page One club is starting back up next Monday, January 13 from 3:20-4pm in the Library. Page One is a reading club for any student in **grades 3-8** that focuses on getting students to read different types of literature, read for enjoyment, and identify themselves as readers. All Page One books count for AR as well! <u>Here</u> is the reading list. Registration forms are available in the school office. Here are the meeting dates: Monday, Jan. 27 Mondays, February 3, 10, 24 Mondays, March 3, 17, 24, 31 Monday, April 7 If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Mattern at <u>mmattern72@gmail.com</u> or Mr. Ambs at joseph-ambs@cdolinc.net.

### **VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

We couldn't go on field trips without our wonderful parent volunteers! Some classes have field trips this month and next month, so now would be a great time to submit your training even if you're not currently signed up. There have been some changes in how the process works. **Training will have to be renewed each year in January, so all who are volunteering will need to take the training found <u>here</u> this month to be eligible to help. If you are volunteering for the first time, you will also need to get a** 

background check. If you are driving for the first time, there is a training video for drivers as well. Please email <u>Melissa-tvrdy@cdolinc.net</u> with any questions. Thanks for your generosity and time!

# SAM HAMILTON FEATURE

Our incredible Maintenance Man, Sam Hamilton, was featured in a *Parish Neighbors* article. The article is attached! If you receive this magazine, keep an eye out for more wonderful staff members that will be featured in the future!

## EXTENDED CARE GAMES/TOYS DONATIONS

We are looking for gently used board games or toys to be donated to our Extended Care Program. We are hoping to update some of our board games with missing pieces and have a few extra toys for our younger students. Please email <u>megan-brown@cdolinc.net</u> if you have a toy/game you wish to donate. Thank you!

# K of C FREE THROW CONTEST

The Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus Council 11001 will be sponsoring their annual youth Free Throw Contest in the Blessed Sacrament Gym on Friday, January 24. Check-in is 3:30pm, with a 4:05pm shoot. The event is free and open to the public. The event is open to all boys and girls ages 9-14. Winners will advance to the District Free Throw Contest. This is meant to be a fun activity, and participants do NOT need to be expert basketball players to participate.

Parents/Guardians, please plan to attend the event to sign registration form prior to the contest. If you have questions, please call Jason Danner, 402 470-7929. Thank you!

#### SPORTS COMMITTEE

For the 2025-2026 school year, our AD Mr. Cappel is starting a sports committee. This committee would be in charge of having three fundraisers. Funding would assist with purchasing and maintaining items including, but not limited to, new jerseys, volleyball net, and volleyball stands. Please sign up <u>here</u> if you're interested in joining the committee. Thank you!

### SCRIP

Thank you to everyone who purchased gift cards through Scrip in 2024! We raised over \$5,800 for Blessed Sacrament which helped pay for things like the new tables in the gym. Did you know that if every adult in the Blessed Sacrament parish bought a \$100 gift card to purchase groceries we would raise over \$7,000 for our church & school? What if they did it every month for a year? Next time you see the green Scrip sign outside school, stop by and see how quick & easy it is to support Blessed Sacrament without spending any extra money! Until then, visit <u>http://tinyurl.com/4ucn4t29</u> or contact Jennie Korth at jenniekorth@gmail.com to learn more!

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR <u>NEXT</u> SCHOOL YEAR (2025-2026)

First day of school: Tuesday, August 19 – Noon dismissal Thanksgiving break: November 26-28 Christmas break for students: December 19 (1pm dismissal) – January 5 Easter Break: April 2–7 Last day of school: Thursday, May 21 – full day

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