

April 1, 2010

Principal's Comments

I am sure that most of you parents do not get a "spring break". However, I do hope that there is a brief respite from scouts, sports, etc. I hope at least things slow down a little for you and your children the next week and a half. The weather forecast calls for a warm and sunny week. This is welcoming news for all of us, so enjoy! Finally, may you all have a Blessed Easter. It is my hope that the Joy and Peace of our Risen Lord fills your hearts and homes.

Chinese Club

We had a very enthusiastic response to our offer of hosting a Chinese Club. It is unfortunate, however, that we have found our children are too busy to commit to this after school opportunity. In talking with our students, they said they have sports, music, scouting, etc. So we are going to cancel the rest of the year and re-start in the fall. This is a wonderful opportunity, and I hope our students will take advantage of it.

Spread the Word

Moms and Dads, you are our best marketing strategy. If you are happy with the growth and directions you see in your children, please tell a friend, neighbor, or co-worker. Assumption is a Catholic School and we make no apology for that fact, but it is also true that families of other faiths have made our school their home. All our welcome.

Yours in Christ,
Mike Micele, Principal

Registration for 2010-2011

Reminder to please turn in your Registration Form and Tuition Contract for next year. There is no \$100.00 Registration Fee for returning families.

Holy Week Services Schedule

See Parish Bulletin and website for dates and times.

School Year 2010-2011 August 31—Start Date

Our first day of school next year will be **Tuesday, August 31, 2010**. Because Labor Day is so late, we will not be following Rockford's start date. Therefore, there will be no bussing provided this week. Parents will be responsible for transportation to and from school. Bussing will resume on Tuesday, September 7. Tentative 2010-2011 school calendars will go out after Spring Break.



Fine Arts Fair

The Art Fair will be held April 22, at 7:00 pm in the school gym. Reminder to all students that all art work is due no later than Friday, April 16.

Future AABC Paper Drive Dates

- April 2-19
- Whole month of July
- October 1-18



Mark your calendar-Spring Cook-Out

The Home and School and Board of Education will be sponsoring an Assumption Spring Cook-Out on Thursday, May 20. More details to follow.



Who I am Makes a Difference.



Attention Artists and Crafters

The Spring Arts and Crafts Show at West Catholic High School is among the biggest and best-attended anywhere. Be there Saturday, May 8, 2010. A limited number of booth spaces remain. Details at westcatholicband.org or call 616-791-6277

Thank you,
Larry Bush
West Catholic Band Boosters

\$500 Tuition Credit

(Parish Board of Education Policy #324)

A family with children currently attending Assumption School in Grades K-8 who recruits another family to attend Assumption School (Grades K-8) will receive a tuition credit in the amount of **\$500**. Visit our website (www.assumptionbvm.com) or contact the school office for the qualifying criteria.

Donuts with Dad

Thursday, April 27, from 8:00 - 8:30 am we will be having "Donuts with Dad". We are inviting all dads or dad equivalents to stop by and have a cup of coffee and a donut with your child(ren).



Muffins with Mom

We will also be having "Muffins with Mom" on Tuesday, May 4. Reminders will be sent home.

Monthly Calendar

Our April calendar was sent home with your "youngest or only" last week. If any changes are made, we will update and post them on our website at www.assumptionbvm.com.



West Catholic Fine Arts Camp

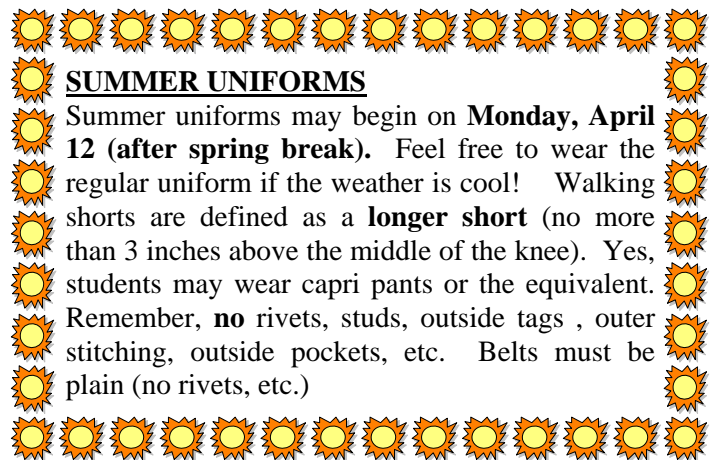
June 14-18 West Catholic will be offering a Fine Arts Camp. The cost is \$35.00 if paid by May 31. Registration forms are in the school office. If you have any further questions, you can contact Lisa Nawrocki, camp director at 233-5939 or lisanawrocki@gross.org.

ABVM SCIENCE OLYMPIAD 2010

On Saturday, March 27th, Assumption's Science Olympiad team competed with fifty Kent and Ottawa County middle schools, in the 26th Science Olympiad on the campus of Grand Valley State University. Thank you to Kathy and Todd Ockaskis, and Kristen Pitchure for assisting as coaches this year. Medals were awarded to Mitch Mox, Grant Goodfellow, Josh Balcom and Ben Serra in Pentathlon (4th place), Alec Ockaskis and Josh Balcom in Elevated Bridge (8th place), Alec Ockaskis and Danny Simmons in Wright Stuff (4th place) and Alec Ockaskis and Michael Kalinowski in Helicopter Duration (3rd place). Congratulations to all who participated and thank you again to all who supported their efforts. *Brenda Sack*

Science Olympiad Participants

<u>6th Grade</u>	<u>7th Grade</u>	<u>8th Grade</u>
Shelby Pitchure	Jake Serra	Mitch Mox
Danny Simmons	Diana Dinkel	Josh Balcom
Whitney Hoving	Alec Ockaskis	Grant Goodfellow
Michael Kalinowski	J.J. Doman	Francie Fix
Madison Hagle	Alex Markules	Ben Serra
Lydia Hillary	Travis Hoving	
Kelsey Brower	Charlie Riddering	
Matthew Burns		
Michael Luczyk		



SUMMER UNIFORMS

Summer uniforms may begin on **Monday, April 12 (after spring break)**. Feel free to wear the regular uniform if the weather is cool! Walking shorts are defined as a **longer short** (no more than 3 inches above the middle of the knee). Yes, students may wear capri pants or the equivalent. Remember, **no** rivets, studs, outside tags, outer stitching, outside pockets, etc. Belts must be plain (no rivets, etc.)

Coming Soon--Annual Eighth Grade Sucker Sale!

On **Tuesday, April 20**, the eighth graders will sell a variety of suckers and Airheads for twenty-five cents each. Bring in your quarters and dollars for the sale! Thank you for supporting the eighth graders as they work toward their class trip and graduation.





MERCIAN AWARD PROGRAM

Since Religion is an integral part of the curriculum at Assumption School, Sister Rosemary Smith, RSM developed a program in Religious Studies as a learning strategy to emphasize basic doctrines and terminology of our Catholic Faith. Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 will take the Mercian Award Exam on the **first Monday in May**. Students receive the study guide for this exam in grade 6 and use it through grade 8. The student having the highest score (finalist) wins the Mercian Award and has his/her name engraved on the plaque located in the front hallway. The two students in 6, 7, and 8th grade receiving the highest scores at their grade level are also recognized with special awards. Students, give your parents a test from the book! If you need another book, you can pick one up in the school office for \$1.00.

MISSION STATEMENT

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary School is dedicated to providing a quality Catholic education for students in levels K – 8.

Our goal is to teach, model, and promote Gospel Values within a God-centered environment.

Our commitment is to living the Good News of Jesus Christ through Message, Community, Worship, and Service.

D&W SCHOOL DAYS – AFTER SPRING BREAK

During the week of **April 11-April 17** D&W will **donate 2 %** of our total group sales back to Assumption in the form of a rebate check. Remember to **tell them you are with Assumption School** or give them our school code: **88181**. Thank you for your continued support.

FAMILY FARE CASH FOR CLASS

During the week of **April 18-April 24** Family Fare will **donate 2 %** of our total group sales back to Assumption in the form of a rebate check. Remember to **tell them you are with Assumption School** or give them our school code: **88181**. Thank you for your continued support.



★ **IT'S BACK!**

★ **2ND ANNUAL BOGO-FREE BOOK FAIR**

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★ 8:30 am – 4 pm Thursday & Friday,
★ April 29 & April 30—in the school gym

★ The ABVM Library would like to show its appreciation to everyone who has supported the library & the winter book fair. This is a Buy One, Get One Free sale through Scholastic. (ABVM school/library will be receiving no funds from this sale). Stock is limited and merchandise other than books will be very limited. Visit early to enjoy a better selection of 'less expensive' books.

★ BOGO-FREE & KEEP READING,
★ Mrs. Eshleman
★ ABVM Library



Camp Roger

Experience something greater at Camp Roger. Get outdoors, play hard, meet amazing counselors, make great friends, and know that you are loved by a God who is greater than you can imagine. It's time to sign up for 3-day, 5-day, and 8-day in-camp experiences for ages 6-15 and 8 day outpost adventures for ages 12-18. Find out more at www.camproger.org.

Math/Econ Night—April 15 6:30-8:00

Come on out for a night of fun and intellectual stimulation. Help our 4th graders learn all about supply side, economics, trickle down economics, and how to reduce overhead. Then take the family on a math tour of our building. You can match wits in some wonderfully creative math games. All these activities created by our 7th graders. Special thanks to **Mrs. Rybicki** and **Mrs. Mattioli** for organizing this special night. Come on out, it will be a blast!

ABVM Spirit Wear

This is your last chance to order ABVM Spirit wear for the 2009/2010 school year. Please have ALL orders turned in to the school office by Monday, April 12. Let's make sure we represent the Eagles well at all of our spring athletic events!
GO EAGLES!!!

