



POPE JOHN PAUL II REGIONAL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

APRIL, 2010

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*“MAY YOU THE CATHOLIC YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE WORLD
NOT FAIL HIM. IN YOUR HANDS CARRY THE CROSS OF CHRIST.”
POPE JOHN PAUL II*

**ALL TUITION FOR THE
CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR
MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY
MARCH 15, 2010 through
Smart Tuition. All accounts
with the school must be paid up-
to-date for a child to receive a
report card and/or participate
in a CLASS TRIP.**

March 31 – Easter Vacation begins –
Dismissal at 11:30 – **No After School
Program or After School Activities**

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR PARISH FOR
TIMES OF SERVICES**

April 1 – NO SCHOOL –
Holy Thursday

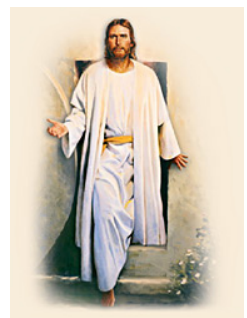


April 2 – NO SCHOOL –
Good Friday



April 4 – Easter Sunday

*Teach us to be generous
good Lord;
Teach us to serve you as
You deserve;
To give and not to count
the cost,
To fight and not to heed the wounds,
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labor and not to ask for any reward
save that of knowing we do Your will. Amen*



St. Ignatius Loyola

**APRIL 5 – CLASSES RESUME – ALL
FACULTY AND STUDENTS REPORT-
MAKE UP SNOW DAY**

**Don't
Forget**

**April 5 – SPRING
UNIFORM BEGINS -**
Please refer to Uniform on our
website.

All uniforms are to be
purchased from Flynn and
O'Hara in the Festival Shopping Center,
Exton, or you can call 1-800-441-4122 to
place an order.

PLEASE NOTE:

1. All girls in grade Kindergarten, 1,2,3, and 4 must wear the Jumper
2. All girls in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 must wear the skirt.
3. The uniform skirt may not be rolled or turned in at the waist.
4. Uniform skirt to be worn just above the knee.
5. All gym and polo shirts are to be worn tucked in.
6. **WHITE SOCKS ABOVE THE ANKLE FOR GYM**
7. **White Sneakers for gym day ONLY.** They are to be those prescribed by the school.

Also, available through Flynn and O'Hara a cotton/lycra short that maybe worn under the girls' uniform.



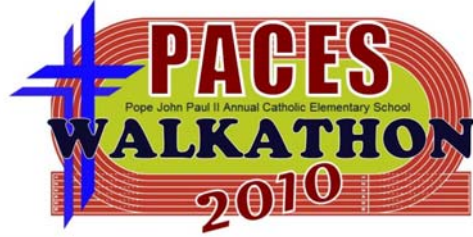
PRETZEL FRIDAYS – APRIL 16TH AND APRIL 23RD.

On April 23rd the funds will be donated to the Joey Reis's Scholarship for one of our 8th graders.

April 14 – Tours and Registration by appointment. We have a few openings in Kindergarten and a waiting list for 1st grade.



April 19 – Yearbook money due in Homerooms – one order form per student (forms will be on VBE)



APRIL 25 - ANNUAL WALK-A-THON AT BISHOP SHANAHAN TRACK

Our 2009 annual Walkathon was another success. We raised \$20K with the help of our wonderful PJPII students, families and sponsors. With the temperature around 90 degrees, it was hot, but we did it! We had another great event for the PJPII record books. The past seven Walkathons have raised a total of \$250,000 which has contributed to the building of the school and the bleachers in the gym.

As we get set for the 8th annual Walkathon on April 25th, we are raising funds to build a playground for our students. Let's make this Walkathon a great success!

Each Student was given a Sponsor Sheet/Permission Slip at the PACES Kick-off Pep Rally. Their mission will be to obtain as many pledges from family and friends



as possible. The sponsor may pledge a certain amount per lap or a fixed amount.

On Sunday, April 25th starting at 11:00 AM, the student accompanied by a parent or guardian, will go to Bishop Shanahan High School Stadium. At Registration, they will turn in their signed (by a parent or guardian) Sponsor Sheet/Permission Slip. In exchange,

they will receive a PACES Walkathon T-Shirt and a Lap Card. Starting at Noon, the students will walk as many laps as they can. Every time the student completes the 1/4 mile lap around the track, their Lap Card will be marked. Parents and family members may walk along with the students.

When the student is done walking, he or she will go back to Registration with their Lap Card. The number of laps will be recorded. The student's job for the coming days will be to collect the funds promised from the sponsors. All of the money should be brought to the school by Monday, May 10th, 2010.

Any money collected beforehand may be brought to the Walkathon and turned in at Registration.



We have many other activities for the children to participate in besides walking. So bring your younger children and make it a family day.

Come and join in the fun with family and friends. Meet the PJPII families and enjoy this special day.

You can find information on our web page, just link to Walk-A-Thon.

If you wish to volunteer please call Christine Roth 610-384-7387

LOOKING FORWARD TO WALKING WITH YOU



April 26 – STUDENTS REPORT TO SCHOOL – SNOW MAKE-UP DAY



Within the last month, four of our students have accomplished amazing academic honors:

Grade 7: Victoria An and Henry Schaeffer both placed in the finals of the IHM Math Contest. They competed against hundreds of students across the country. Part Two will take place in April. We wish Henry and Victoria success in the next round.

Grade 8: Spelling Bee – Brandon Elliot placed 2nd, in the Chester County Spelling Bee, one word away from going to the National Spelling Bee in Washington DC. We are very proud of Brandon's and all his hard work.

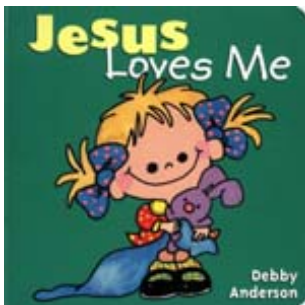
Congratulations to **Olivia Schaeffer**, who was given a full scholarship to an Archdiocesan High School by the Connolly Foundation. The Archdiocese has over 8,000 eighth graders with 1,100 who made the requirements to take the scholarship exam, of those 40 students were awarded scholarships, five from Chester County.

Olivia will be attending Bishop Shanahan in the fall and will receive full payment of her tuition for next four years. We are very proud of your accomplishment.



BLOCS SCHOLARSHIP: The deadline for applying for EITC money for next school year is Thursday, April 15, 2010, and the review board makes no exception on this timeline. The application form can be found at www.blocs.org. If you have any doubt about qualifying, please apply anyway. There may be some discretionary funding next year, but if you have not applied you will not be eligible.

When filling in the applications Pope John Paul II Regional Catholic Elementary School's code is 35006.



ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS:

Please remember you must have on file your "Protecting God's Children" certificate. If you need to take this course please go to virtus.org and register.

On April 12th a "Protecting God's Children" course will be available at PJPII starting at 7:00PM. Please go to virtus.org to register.

If you have attended the "Protecting God's Children Awareness Sessions for Adults" please send in your white form with your signature to the school's office (not your parish's office). We must have these on hand for you to volunteer in school activities.

Thank you for your cooperation

CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS: Please send in your Campbell's Soup Labels. Please continue to collect Campbell Soup labels over the summer months.



NEWS FROM THE NURSE: The Nurse will be sending home letters to those students who are missing Physical and Dental Pennsylvania State mandated examinations. These forms must be completed so your child can return to school in September 2010. Your child will not receive a final report card if these forms are not turned in. If your child transfers to a new school, this exclusion notice will remain in effect.



Freedom is a fragile thing and is never more than one generation away from extinction. It is not ours by inheritance; it must be fought for and defended constantly by each generation, for it comes only once to a people. Those who have known a freedom, and then lost it, have never known it again. –Ronald Reagan