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Date	Event	Time/Place
2/3	Songs of Worship and Praise Basket Raffle Cash or Items Due	10:00 Parish Hall
2/4	7-8 Religion Bowl Pray and Play Day	4:00 Christ the King - Wichita
2/5	Field Trip to WSU for Haiti	11:15 – 2:45
2/8	Basketball Tournament	TBA

Principal's Corner

Why do you send your child to a Catholic School? If your answer does not include primarily, because of our Catholic Faith, you are missing the point. St. Joseph Catholic School exists for the sole purpose of forming children into Disciples of Christ. In order to teach as Jesus taught, we also develop the academic, social, and emotional growth of each student. We are here to assist all parents in the formation of their child. While there are many different styles of parenting, we in the Diocese of Wichita and the staff employed here at St. Joseph Catholic School have been and continue to be trained in the style of teaching that is supported by the POPE, the BISHOP, our CATHOLIC FAITH, and the Kansas State Department of Education. Our boss is GOD, not money, politics, or the secular influences of pride, greed, and power. It is my continued hope and prayer that all here at St. Joseph Catholic School, continues to realize the gift of a free Catholic Education as it exists in our Diocese. Yes, it is more demanding in the areas of time, talent, treasure, and TRUST, but the fact that ETERNAL LIFE is at stake should convince each of us of its exceptional value. It is extremely saddening when I hear criticism of teachers, students, and yes, the administration, when our number one priority is our

students and what is best for them. The lack of trust that exists among a few makes me question their commitment to our Catholic School System. We are not perfect, but I assure we want to get to heaven also and we certainly cannot do that by neglecting our spiritual and professional duties of educating children. In today's world, if we do not like something we judge first, complain to our neighbors, and do what we can to rally others to take our side. We are to do what the Bible tells us in Matthew 18: 15-17 "If your brother sins against you, go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. ¹⁶But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses, ¹⁷If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, treat him as you would a pagan or a tax collector." It does not state that you take the matter and post it on Facebook, discuss it in the parking lot or at weekend gatherings. I have tried my best to respect the dignity of each student and their family when dealing with difficult situations. I expect the same from all of our students, teachers, and parents. I am sending home a copy of the Parish Family Agreement that was signed at the beginning of school to remind you and your children of the commitments you made to Catholic Education.

My intention is not to lecture anyone, but to reinforce the fact that our Catholic Faith is a gift from God and our Catholic School is a gift to us parents to help us with our goal of getting ourselves, our children, and our brothers and sisters to Heaven.

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Basket Committee Meeting

February 10th at 7:00 in the school basement.

CDL License Training

Hutchinson Community College is offering CDL Training on Saturdays from 8 - 5. For more information, please call 1-800-289-3501 or 620-665-3500, or email them at www.hutchcc.edu. Some of the dates are 2-20 and 2/27, 4/10 and 4/17, 5/15 and 5/22.

HSA

Sell, Sell, Sell, Raffle Tickets! If you need more, send a note to the school office! .

Items or cash donations for the classroom Raffle baskets are due Wednesday, February 3rd. IF you don't remember the theme, please check the website.

BASKETBALL

The bracket for the basketball tournament will be out on Friday. I will post it on the website as soon as possible. The earliest we could play is 3:00 and the latest we could play is 6:00. The tournament is on February 8, 11, and 13th. There is an admission for school age children and adults.

2010-2011 KINDERGARTEN

2010-2011 Kindergarten Round-Up will be February 26th. We will not have a parent meeting at

this time. We will only hold screenings. The schedule for the screenings will be mailed by February 12th. The required parent meeting will be held on March 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

School Closing

With winter weather upon us, please remember, we will follow USD 267 School Closings due to bad weather ONLY.

If Renwick is CLOSED, WE ARE CLOSED.

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS

Andale High School will have an incoming freshman meeting February 9th from 10:30 to 11:30, 1 to 2 or 2:00 to 3:00. There will also be a Parent's meeting @AHS library Feb. 9th at 7:00 p.m. If your child will be attending Andale High School, please call the office to excuse them for the Feb.9th day meeting. We will not provide transportation.

It is time to start sending in photos of your beautiful children for their 8th grade class video! Please make sure their names are on the back of the pictures and put them in an envelope marked "8th Grade Video" and send them to the office.

Count Your Kid In Preschool Screening Clinic

Friday Feb. 19
7:30 - 4:30

Goddard United Methodist Church
300 Cedar, Goddard, Ks.

March 26 Valley Center
April 16 Conway Springs
May 7 Andale



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