



# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Elementary School

## IC What's Happening!!

Thursday, April 19, 2024

**IMPORTANT...** Wednesday, April 24 will be an early release day from school. Pickup for all students will be at 1:30 on this day, there will be no bussing or after school daycare available on this day. Please plan accordingly to have your child picked up on time this day.

**Summertime Learning books are available to order!** Order forms are in your child's Friday folder. All orders are due by Monday, May 6th.

**First Communion Rehearsal** will be held on Saturday, April 20th at 9:00 a.m. On Sunday, April 21st, First Communion will be held at 2:00 p.m. Congratulations to all our First Communicants!

**Walk for Virtues** is scheduled for Friday May 3rd! Envelopes and permission slips and information were sent home on March 15th. Please return these ASAP, the latest return date is May 8th.

**I.C. Scholarship forms** are now available in the I.C. office, they can be picked up at your convenience. They are due back no later than May 1st.

**Sports day** will be held on May 8th for 4th and 5th grade students. More information to follow at a later date.

**May Crowning** will be held on Thursday, May 9th at the 9:00 mass.

**Dress code reminder:** Uniform shorts are permitted beginning May 1st or if the forecasted temperature is 70 degrees or above. Please remember the weather changes quickly so students should be sent with uniform layers.

### **Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow**

Regis Catholic Schools is dedicated to educating students of all faiths in a Catholic, Christ-centered environment. We are united by Our Core Values of *Living Faith, Accepting Responsibility, Promoting Teamwork, Achieving Excellence, and Inspiring Leadership.*

Dear Immaculate Conception Families ~

We are fast approaching the end of the school year and with that comes the week where we show how much we value and appreciate our teachers.

Teacher Appreciation Week takes place May 5-10.

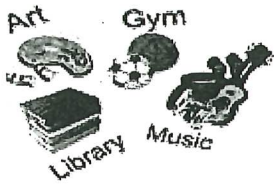
This year, we are asking for a small monetary donation for our staff and teachers. This will allow us to purchase gift cards for staff and teachers, based on their favorite store. We are asking each family to contribute \$10 which will be pooled together and divided evenly for our wonderful staff and teachers. This donation is completely voluntary. All money is due by May 1st and should be put in an envelope ATTN: Lori Travis. If you have questions, please reach out to your Room Parent.

Thank you,

Home and School Association



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# Specialist Newsletter

## April, 2024

### **LIBRARY - MRS. LYNCH**

We're continuing with our chapter books in grades 1-5. Kindergarten is listening to books about spring. Also all grades have been discussing the STEAM Expo, National Library Week, Earth Day and Arbor Day. Soon, we'll be having a presentation from the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library about the Summer Library Program. It's hard to believe it's that time of year already!

### **Guidance - Mrs. McElroy, School Counselor**

This month in guidance classes:

- Kindergarteners and first graders are learning about the problem solving steps and fair ways to play.
- Second and third graders are working on problem solving steps and applying them to common problems.
- Fourth graders are exploring careers and executive functioning through Xello.
- Fifth are finishing up their self concept projects.

If you are interested in logging into Xello as a parent to view your student's progress please feel free to send me an email and I'll add your email to the account.

If you are interested in a group (lunch bunch) for your student please feel free to contact me at [cmcelroy@case.k12.wi.us](mailto:cmcelroy@case.k12.wi.us). As always, if your child has a specific need and you would like for me to meet with him or her please feel free to contact me.

### **Music - Mrs. Miller**

Students in grades K-3 have been learning about instrument families. So far, they have learned about, seen, and heard in-class performances of the string family instruments (violin, viola, cello and upright bass) and the woodwind family instruments (flute, clarinet and saxophone). They had fun playing rhythms on several instruments of the percussion family: the drums, cymbals, triangle, tambourine and bells. This week we will be learning about the final instrument family; the brass family (trumpet and trombone). The 4th graders recently took a short break from the recorder to explore their options for 5th grade band. During the next two weeks, these classes will get to try playing multiple band instruments to see which one(s) they like and might want to play in 5th grade! The 5th grade classes had a great time during our field trip to Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis at the start of the month! They were SO well behaved, and they really enjoyed the performance that the Minnesota Orchestra presented! They've also added another chord to the list of ukulele chords they can play. They're now up to 4 chords, which means they can play even more songs now!

## Phy Ed. - Mrs. Vallez

We just finished a unit learning about basketball. Kindergarten through 5th grade worked on the basic fundamentals of basketball including dribbling, shooting, defense, rebounding and passing. We worked on ball handling skills and the art of shooting. Ask your student what the acronym "BEEF" means (balance, eyes, elbow, follow-through). The students played several games to work on basketball skills such as knockout, lightening, bank and around the world. We also developed our skills through stations to focus on specific skills needed to play a game of basketball and ended the unit with scrimmages. Currently we are working on pickleball and badminton in grades 2nd-5th and focusing on striking with control using the nets in K-1st. I hope that students choosing to participate in the Action City fitness goal program are having fun and staying healthy filling out their log. Just as a reminder, this is not a required activity. Students who attend Immaculate Conception K-5 are allowed to fill out only one log per month (pick one side to complete). It should take them the whole month to complete the log that they decided to work on. When they are finished they may bring the sheet to me to sign and I will hand it back. The month of May will be the last month for this program. The signed log is your "ticket" to get into Action City or Chaos Water Park. The pass must be used within one month of me signing it or it will not work. If you need extra sheets students know where to find them in the gym or they can ask me during PE class. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

## Spanish - Mrs. Larabee

All grade levels are finishing their family vocabulary themed units. Grades K-3 will start animal vocabulary. At the end of the month Gr. 2 will be introduced to some house vocabulary to prepare for their May projects of designing a house and labeling it in Spanish. Gr. 3 will be introduced to simple community vocabulary to prepare for designing and labeling their own communities. Grades 4-5 will finish learning about direct object pronouns related to family and move on to different grade level units. Gr. 4 will be choosing a project from a choice board related to food and restaurants. Gr. 5 will be learning clothes, simple shopping vocabulary, and the history behind Cinco de Mayo. My microsite assignment page has been having issues and we have not been able to solve it. I hope to be able to tell you soon to check my microsite assignment summaries for links to favorite songs and videos.

<https://www.regiscatholicschools.com/staff/lynne-larabee/>

## **Art** with Miss LaRose - [hlarose@regiscatholicschools.com](mailto:hlarose@regiscatholicschools.com)

Happy spring everyone! It's finally nice enough to break out the sidewalk chalk and get creative outside. We only have a few more art projects left for this school year. I look forward to sharing them with the students so they can bring more art home to you. I noticed that many of our families took time to stop by the STEAM Expo at Immaculate Conception on April 9th. Thank you for your support and kind comments. I love sharing the work that the students and I have made together. I'd also like to thank all of the helpers who made the set-up and take-down of the artwork go quickly and smoothly. I appreciate you!

 <https://www.artsonia.com/>

Thank you for your continued use of Artsonia whether it be for viewing and commenting or using the gift shop. Please remember to check out Artsonia for their ongoing Mother's Day sale of 15% off one item. Student artwork makes a great gift for mom, even if it isn't from Artsonia. Getting crafty at home is also a wonderful idea for making mom feel special.

### **Donation Note:**

If you have any questions for me regarding art class, Artsonia, or donations please contact me via email.

# SUMMERTIME LEARNING 2024

As part of our annual commitment to a coherent Math and Reading curriculum, the Immaculate Conception teachers are continuing our summer learning program to help ensure success for the next school year. Two purchasing options are available again this year.

**BACKPACK:** Each clear front, sturdy backpack contains a 112-page workbook designed to help parents prepare their children for the next school year while allowing them to enjoy summer vacation! Includes an 8-week daily schedule of math and reading activities to reinforce knowledge, along with 3 high interest grade level readers your child will enjoy. It also includes a 40-page Parent Guide filled with activities and suggestions on how to engage students in ways that will lead to academic success! \$50.00.

**WORKBOOK:** This 112-page workbook can be purchased separately for \$12.00. Boost your child's performance and confidence with a Summertime workbook!

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## Choose the grade level your child will be going into in 2024-2025!

Please complete the entire form (fill out ONE form per family)!

Name of youngest IC child and teacher \_\_\_\_\_

(Your family order will be sent with the youngest child.)

Items to order: BP for backpack OR WB for Student workbook

- \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-K Kdg.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1st Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4th Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5th Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6th Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7th Grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8th Grade

### COSTS:

BACKPACK \$50.00

WORKBOOK ONLY \$12.00

Language:

\_\_\_\_\_ English

\_\_\_\_\_ Spanish

Family Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Checks payable to: Regis Catholic Schools

ORDERS DUE BY Monday, May 6, 2024

Questions, Email Mrs. Fadness @ [dfadness@regiscatholicschools.com](mailto:dfadness@regiscatholicschools.com)

# MAY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 3rd Grade to MN Children's Theatre Mass (1C)	2 Walk for Virtues	3	4
5 Teacher Appreciation Week	6	7	8 Sports Day Children's Rosary Group	9 May Crowning Mass (2nd) WFV Rain Date	10 Vision Screen K & 1	11
Mother's Day 12	13 WFV Prizes Marian Procession 2:30 Moms Welcome!	14	15 End of Year Volunteer Appreciation CRG	16 Mass (4J)	17 WFV Field Trip	18
19	20	21	22 Children's Rosary Group	23 Mass (4D)	24 K to Irvine	25
26 Memorial Day NO SCHOOL	27	28	29 Children's Rosary Group	30 NO MASS	31 Last Day of School for Students 5th Grade Promotion Mass	