

March 12, 2009

Dear Parents,

The end of the third quarter of school is Friday, March 13th. Report cards will go home Tuesday, March 17th.

Parent/Teacher conferences have been scheduled for March 18th and 19th. Room Reps will email a copy of the class conference schedule to parents.

Please read the following:

- Note the following schedule for March:

13 End of 3rd Quarter
Decorate St. Patrick's float 5:30pm in the parking lot
14 St. Patrick's Day Parade 10:00am
16 4th quarter – students may wear uniform shorts (except Formal Dress days)
17 All School Mass – St. Patrick's Day – 8:45 am Formal Dress
18 Parent/Teacher conferences 4:00-8:00pm
19 Parent/Teacher conferences 1:00-8:00pm
Dismiss at 12:15pm
20 Academic certificates presented in the classrooms
25 4th Grade Play – 2:00pm – Social Center
26 4th Grade Play – 7:00pm – Social Center
31 Science/Math Family Night
7:00-8:15pm lower grades
7:00-8:30pm middle school

- Click here for an important survey to complete and return to school ASAP. Your input and opinions are valued and will help to improve Cosgriff.
- There are many opportunities to deepen your spiritual life during Lent. Click here to read about ways to observe this Holy season, both individually and as a family.
- At the Professional Educator in-service meeting, our third grade teacher, Mrs. Sause, was recognized for twenty years of service to Catholic Education. Mr. Asman, our infamous music teacher, was recognized for 30 years of service to Catholic education as well as outstanding educator from Cosgriff School.
- Congratulations to Mr. Jim Larson and the 7th & 8th grade students who represented Cosgriff School at the Diocesan Science Fair on March 7th at St. Olaf's School. All students who took the time and put in so much effort were winners. Several students won honor awards.

Congratulations to the following:

7th Grade:

Daniel Voytovich: 1st Medical/Behavior
Maya Shaughnessy: 3rd Biology
Jackie Morgan: 2nd Earth Science

Mark Barnett:	3rd Engineering
Erin Villareal	1 st Physical Science
<u>8th Grade:</u>	
Patrick Neville:	3 rd Medical/Behavioral
Sierra Pond:	1 st Earth Science
	Overall Earth Science Award
	Overall 8 th Grade Award
	Best Oral Presentation Award
	Best Use of Mathematics Award
	2009 Diocesan Young Scientist of the Year Award
Tony Martino:	1 st (tie) Engineering
Carolyn Taylor:	1 st (tie) Engineering
Eric Larson:	3 rd Engineering

Other Highlights:

10 of 24 Cosgriff students attending placed
 5th consecutive year of increasing participation by Cosgriff students
 3rd consecutive Overall Eighth Grade Award by a Cosgriff student
 2nd consecutive year for the Diocesan Young Scientist of the Year Award

- Call Kayla Smith or Mrs. Hunt as soon as possible if you would like to serve on the Mardi Gras committee for 2010. Mardi Gras will be held February 6, 2010. Mark your calendars now!
- Mrs. Bugden, 5th grade teacher, is requesting a parent volunteer to help on Mondays and/or Wednesdays from 8:30-10:00am. Please consider assisting on one or both of these days. Email mbugden@cosgriff.org if you can help.
- The net profit for the 2009 Mardi Gras is \$126,000.00! Thank you so much to the parents and friends of St. Ambrose and Cosgriff School who continue to be so generous and supportive!
- **Please join us to help decorate the St. Ambrose/J.E. Cosgriff Float on Friday, March 13**
 Float decorating begins at 5:30 pm on Friday, March 13th in the teacher's parking lot area at Cosgriff. If you can, please bring a hammer, tools or staple gun, plus green garland, green crepe paper, green streamers, etc. Click here for more information.
- Cosgriff contributed \$660.00 to Heifer International during the month of February. With Cosgriff's contribution along with other area Catholic schools, a check for \$13,271.46 has been sent to Heifer International. Thank you for your support, it will make a difference for many families living in poverty.
- As a reminder, PARA basketball players who are finished with their uniforms should turn them in to their coaches. The coaches will turn the uniforms into the school or to Mr. Jim McMinimee.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Betsy Hunt
 Principal