

# The Royal Herald

Friday, January 26, 2018

## Explore Regis TOMORROW

Here are some reminders for our current families about Explore Regis tomorrow!

### **Regis Musicians Performing for Fifth Grade Families**

- **Eclipse Show Choir and Combo** will be performing right at the start of our program at 9 am.
  - Students in **Eclipse** are asked to arrive at **8 am**. They will change into their costumes and warm up prior to their performance.
- **Jazz Band** - Students in the advanced Jazz Band will be performing at 9:15 am.
  - Students participating in Jazz Band should arrive at **8:30 am** and report to the band room to warm up.
- **Pizzazz Show Choir** (6th grade) will be performing at approximately 9:50 am (at the end of the presentation in the gym).
  - Students in Pizzazz Show Choir should arrive at **9:15 am** and report to the choir room.
  - Students in Pizzazz are asked to wear their sixth grade t-shirts that they received at Camp YAHOO along with jeans and tennis shoes. They will NOT be in full costume.
  - Pizzazz students will be helping to tear down chairs following their performance, so they should be able to be picked up at 10:30 am upon completion of tearing down.

Lastly, remember that our target audience for this event is our fifth grade families. If you are a parent who is helping with show choir, jazz band, or has a student performing or assisting with this event, we kindly ask you to remember that there will be plenty of opportunities for you to see your child perform in upcoming events, so please refrain from attending this event as an audience member.

## **Celebrate Catholic Schools Week -- January 27 - February 3**

Each year we get to celebrate who we are as a Catholic School. This year the national theme for the week is **Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.** Each day will also have a theme, an alternate dress day, and a special activity. The dress-up days have also been posted to Facebook, should you want to reference the days there.

The Wipe Out Challenge is the Regis Middle School service project during Catholic Schools Week. We will be collecting toilet paper and laundry pods for the St. John of the Cross Catholic Worker House.

- There are dress down days to follow the theme of each day of the week during Catholic Schools Week. Dress Down Days have a theme, but follow Casual Day guidelines. In order to receive a dress down day students need to donate one roll of toilet paper per day that they dress down. If a student wants to dress down the entire week, they would need to donate 5 rolls of toilet paper. They can also donate a full container of laundry pods to dress down the entire week. Students should not bring in individual laundry pods.

- Just a reminder that for all dress down days, **Casual Dress Guidelines Apply**
- **Sunday, January 28th: Celebrating Your Parish**
  - All students are invited to sing at our parishes as a way to give back to the parishes that help make Regis possible. Students can sign up with Mr. McGrath ([nmcgrath@regisroyals.org](mailto:nmcgrath@regisroyals.org)). Students do not have to be in choir to participate. This is a service opportunity for students.
  - ALL students and their families are invited to wear their Regis (or Xavier Catholic Schools) apparel to mass this weekend as they attend Liturgy in their home parishes!
- **Monday, January 29th: Celebrating Your Community**
  - Theme and Dress: Team Color Day
    - **White**: Homerooms for Rowan, Van Der Linden, Cummings
      - Team Name: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
    - **Blue**: Homerooms for Johnson, Jackson, Efting
      - Team Name: St. Mary
    - **Red**: Homerooms for De Wit, Lee, Parlet
      - Team Name: St. Padre Pio
    - **Yellow**: Homerooms for Broghammer, Henley, Birky
      - Team Name: St. Iraneous
    - **Gray**: Homerooms for Dickes, Berns, Feller
      - Team Name: St. Thomas Aquinas
  - Students will gather in the gym and participate in the Wipe Out Challenge. The Wipe Out Challenge will be held starting at 1:40 pm in the gym and will run to dismissal at 2:55 pm. Xavier students will be joining us for this activity.
  - Students will be in groups throughout the week (based on their Saint name) and they will have a chance to participate in different challenges and games, most of which revolve around toilet paper.
- **Tuesday, January 30th: Celebrating Your Students**
  - Theme and Dress: Wear Dress Code Pants with Red Polo, Hat Day After Liturgy
  - **Students will be bussed to Xavier to celebrate liturgy with Xavier, LaSalle, and St. Joe's at 10 am. The first group will be leaving Regis around 9 am and students are scheduled to return around 11:30 am.** Please avoid scheduling any appointments during this time.
- **Wednesday, January 31st: Celebrating Your Nation**
  - Theme and Dress: Patriotic Day: Red, White and Blue
  - "Are You Smarter Than a Teacher?" Students and teachers will be taking a "quiz" with multiple subject areas. The students' scores and teachers' scores will be calculated to see which group has the highest percentage correct.
  - We will be on an alternate schedule - please check with the main office if you have questions regarding appointments; however, the game will be during the middle of the day
- **Thursday, February 1st: Celebrating Vocations**
  - Theme and Dress: Dress like occupation/profession
  - "Scavenger hunt" - we will be on an alternate schedule with the scavenger hunt scheduled from 1:40 - 2:55 pm
- **Friday, February 2nd: Celebrating Faculty, Staff and Volunteers**
  - Theme and Dress: Superhero Day

- Catholic escape room activity - each team, consisting of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders, will be “locked” in the classroom until they solve all of the clues. This activity will begin at 12:45 pm.
- Students from Xavier will be here as an added member of each team, we appreciate the assistance from Xavier
- **We are needing parent volunteers for this activity. If you are available to volunteer from 12:30 - 2:55 pm please email Jerica Christensen at [jchristensen@regisroyals.org](mailto:jchristensen@regisroyals.org).**

### **Show Your Support of Catholic Schools - #WhyCatholicSchools**

We are encouraging supporters of Xavier Catholic Schools (and Catholic education in general) to share on social media why they believe in Catholic education. We are asking you to share a photo and/or videos which help tell your story about your experience with Catholic Schools and why you choose to support our mission. Examples include photos or videos of your student reading or serving at Mass, your family at Xavier football games, your student having the opportunity to partake in a school activity he/she loves, a teacher helping your student achieve or participating in a service project. Our goal is to showcase the wonderful opportunities that Catholic schools afford our young people; the lasting impact of these opportunities; and the communal element that makes Xavier Catholic Schools a special family to be a part of by using the hashtag #WhyCatholicSchools in your post and tag others.

### **Show Your Support with Custom Facebook Profile Photos**

Take a moment to use a profile frame on your Facebook Account! You can get a custom profile frame by going to: <https://actionsprout.io/FB9836>

### **Tide Pod Challenge**

Just a note regarding our annual Catholic Schools Week service project, we want to ensure you we're aware of the latest phenomenon called the Tide Pod Challenge. In this latest event, students are shown putting the brightly colored liquid laundry detergent packets into their mouth and in some cases, chewing them up before spitting out the soap. Regardless of the circumstances in which they are using the Tide pods, we wanted to send a notice so you were aware of this latest trend. We are still going to collect the Tide pods at Regis as this is a heavily needed item at the Catholic Worker House, but ask that you please keep an eye out and monitor conversations that are happening related to this.

### **Parent Volunteer Opportunity - Show Some Teacher Love!**

Show our staff some love with our first installment of the **Traveling Coffee Cart!** The Traveling Coffee Cart will be offered to our dedicated teachers and staff during Catholic Schools Week the morning of **Thursday, February 1st**. If you would like to help with this special staff treat you can sign up for one of the following opportunities:

- Donate prepared coffee or hot cocoa, mix-ins, cups and snacks. Please have all items delivered to the school first thing Thursday morning.
- Set up the cart-o-goodies with the donated supplies
- Play barista by rolling through the Regis halls to offer a treat to our staff

If you would like to help (and for more details), please click on the following link:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0C49ABAB28AAFA7-quarterly](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F0C49ABAB28AAFA7-quarterly) Thanks for your help!

### **Congratulations Ben Pieper and Jack Rushton!**

We would like to recognize and congratulate 8th graders Ben Pieper and Jack Rushton who will receive the Ad Altare Dei Catholic emblem earned through Boy Scouts this weekend at the Scout Mass in Dubuque. The Ad Altare Dei emblem is the highest Catholic award earned through Boy Scouts and the purpose of the Ad Altare Dei (to the altar of God) program is to help Catholic Youth of the Roman Rite develop a fully Christian way of life in the faith community. Great job Ben and Jack!

### **Auditions for the Spring Musical**

This year's spring musical is the Gershwin musical comedy, Crazy for You Jr. Auditions for the musical are **Tuesday, February 13 and Wednesday, February 14 from 3:15-5 pm** in the choir classroom. The first rehearsal for everyone who auditions will be Thursday, February 15 in the choir room from 3:15-5:30 pm. All are invited and encouraged to participate! Contact Mrs. Henley with questions or for more information.

### **President- Principal Model at Xavier High School**

Xavier High School has some exciting news regarding an upcoming change in their form of governance. Xavier will be moving to the President-Principal Model, a successful model that is utilized by many Catholic schools throughout the United States. This decision was made after extensive research and input by a joint task force representing Xavier High School and the Xavier Foundation.

This Joint Task Force would like to invite all Xavier Catholic Schools families to attend an informational forum regarding this upcoming change and to answer questions that families may have in regard to the President-Principal Model. An informational session will be held Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 7 pm at Xavier when information will be shared regarding the reasoning behind this change and the future direction of Xavier. As parents of Regis Middle School and stakeholders in our Catholic schools, you are encouraged to attend to learn more. You can read the invitation from the committee [HERE](#) .

### **Applications for Financial Aid for School Year 2018-19**

Tuition assistance for next school year, 2018-19, will again be available through STO and Regis Local Tuition Assistance funds. Application MUST be made online thru FACTS Management. The link for the online application is now available at [www.online.factsmgt.com/aid](http://www.online.factsmgt.com/aid). To be considered for a Round 1 Aid Award, the deadline for application and submission of supporting documents is **March 29, 2018**. Please be diligent about completing all aspects of the application and providing the documents requested. The Regis School code for the application is 36369. FACTS call center can be reached at 1-866-441-4637 Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 9 pm. More application details and assistance information are provided on the Regis website at [http://regisroyals.org/?page\\_id=328](http://regisroyals.org/?page_id=328). Please contact Mary Carey in the Business Office if you have questions; [mcarey@regisroyals.org](mailto:mcarey@regisroyals.org).

### **Tuition Tax Credit Forms**

Tuition Tax Credit Forms for calendar year 2017 were sent last week, Thursday January 18 via email. Parent/guardians should have received an email for each of their students. Please check your email before sending a paper form to school. The email notification should be printed and will service as your tax credit document for the 2017 tax year, for the state of Iowa.

Forms will not be mailed to your home. Please contact Mary Carey, [mcarey@regisroyals.org](mailto:mcarey@regisroyals.org), in the Business Office if you have any questions.

### **Tuition Time**

Quarterly tuition payments are now PAST DUE. Please contact Mary Carey in the Business Office if you have questions regarding your tuition and fees account; [mcarey@regisroyals.org](mailto:mcarey@regisroyals.org).

### **Regis Boys and Girls Track Coaches Needed**

Regis is currently looking for certified coaches for our 7th and 8th grade boys and girls track team. The season may begin March 19th and runs until May 17th. This is a paid position. If you are interested please contact Dan Halter at [dhalter@regisroyals.org](mailto:dhalter@regisroyals.org) or call 363-1968.

### **Xavier Dance Team Prep Clinic- February 16th**

If you love dancing and want to be part of your high school team, join us for our Xavier Dance Team Tryout Prep Clinic to see what it's all about. You will take classes on jumps, turns, pom technique and learn audition tips. The clinic will be led by Coach Jess Novotny and our 2018 outgoing seniors. This clinic is open to all 7th and 8th graders, as well as anyone in high school who is looking to try out for any high school dance team.

**Date:** February 16th from 4 - 6:30 pm at Prestige Dance Studio

**Attire to wear:** Fitted black clothing with jazz shoes or socks and hair in a bun

**Cost:** \$25 Registration: All checks should be written to Xavier Dance Team

1st Annual  
**Be The Match Benefit**  
in Honor of  
Phoebe Toczyłowski



**Bone Marrow DNA Testing**

\*\*\* Free Onsite DNA Tests \*\*\* (Oral swab only.)

Soup & Chili Supper—Free Will Offering  
Silent Auction

Proceeds will be donated to Phoebe's favorite charities.

Saturday February 3, 2018

3:30—8:00 PM

St. Jude Church Community Center  
50 Edgewood Rd. NW, Cedar Rapids, IA

### **Be The Match Benefit**

You are invited to the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual **Be The Match Benefit** in Honor of Phoebe Toczyłowski. Phoebe was a member of St. Jude Church and attended Holy Family Schools. She lost her battle with leukemia on December 24. The Knight's of Columbus Councils 5544 and 909 are having a benefit **Saturday, February 3rd from 3:30-8 pm** at the **St. Jude's Parish Community Center, 50 Edgewood Road NW, Cedar Rapids**. There will be a soup supper with free will donation and silent auction with the proceeds donated to Phoebe's favorite charities. Phoebe's family would also like to use this event to increase the donor base for bone marrow transplants by providing DNA testing. This consists of a simple oral swab. Attached is a flyer with more information.

### **Metro Catholic Outreach Update**

With your support, we are serving 485 people from over 150 families this week. Food supply is holding up well, but we ALWAYS need to keep more food coming in. We've been able to purchase several things on our food list from the food bank recently, and continue to pick up free produce from them (yay!). But we would never be able to keep all the items on our list for baskets in stock without our many donors. Here are the food items we can use help getting onto our shelves so we can keep serving needy families: Tuna, Canned Meat Products (Chicken, Stew, Chili, etc.), Peanut Butter, Soup, **Canned Fruit**, Canned Pasta (Raviolios, etc.), Pork & Beans, **Pasta Sauce** & Tomato Products, **Helper Meals** (Hamburger, Tuna, etc.), Potatoes (boxed or fresh), **Rice Products**, Mac & Cheese, **Crackers**, Pancake mix/syrup, Snacks. We can always use more of these items for personal care bags, which we include in food baskets: Toilet Paper, Small/trial sized (hotel) **shampoo**, etc., Full-size personal care

products (for larger families), **Laundry detergent**. Thank you so much for partnering with us in serving our neighbors in need.

**On the Radar -- CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

**Monday, Jan. 29 (Day 3)**

- 7th Grade Girls Bball vs McKinley; 8th at McKinley **3:30 pm**

**Tuesday, Jan. 30 (Day 4)**

- Pizzazz Practice **7 am**
- Catholic Schools Week Liturgy at Xavier **10 am**
- Jazz Band **3 pm**

**Wednesday, Jan. 31 (Day 5)**

- Eclipse Combo Rehearsal **7 am**
- 7th Grade Girls Bball @ Prairie Point; 8th vs. Prairie @ Regis **3:30 pm**

**Thursday, Feb. 1 (Day 6)**

- Eclipse Practice **7 am**
- 6th Grade Jazz Band Practice **3-4 pm**
- 7th Grade Girls Bball @ Taft; 8th vs. Taft @ Regis **3:30 pm**

**Friday, Feb. 2 (Day 1)**

- First Friday Liturgy in Chapel **7 am**
- Jazz Band Practice **7 am**
- Art Palette **3-4 pm**
- Future Saints Night at Xavier Bball Game **6 pm**

**Saturday, Feb. 3**

- Eclipse Dress Rehearsal
- Pizzazz Practice