

**CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL PARENT BULLETIN**  
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Dear School Families,

Last week we celebrated Catholic Schools Week with special activities that highlighted our parish, community, students, nation, and our faculty, staff, and volunteers. It was a wonderful week highlighting the best of who we are as a Catholic community of faith. Thursday allowed the faculty and staff the opportunity to give back to our school volunteers as we baked and served breakfast goodies to our volunteers. Friday the entire school attended 8:00 a.m. Mass, followed by a spirit rally in the gym. Parish staff members joined several classes for lunch. It was a great way to end a very special week!

**A MESSAGE FROM MRS. GANNON-BRIGGS:** I am happy to hear that Catholic School Week was a huge success. I am thinking of you, praying for you, and looking forward to coming back as soon as I can. Thank you for your prayers, cards, and support. My heart is with you. Know how very precious you all are to me.

**REQUEST FOR PRAYERS:** We ask the CTK school community to join with us in prayers for the following individual and her family: For Mrs. Gannon-Briggs who has finished Interferon treatments and is hoping for a speedy recovery.

**PARKING LOT REQUEST:** When visiting and volunteering at school early mornings, please park in upper parking lot (the gates in the upper lot are not closed until 10:00 a.m.) so that spaces remain open on Brandon Road for CTK school employee parking.

**UNIFORM REMINDER:** **Girls**, remember that shorts must be worn with skirts and jumpers and not show below the hem. Skirts, jumpers, or dresses are to be no shorter than the crease at the back of the student's knee.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** Congratulations to Colleen Noland and Jake Harbison. They are district winners in the Elk's essay contest: "The American Dream: What is It?" Each will receive a trophy and a \$100.00 cash prize. **Congratulations to the 5th grade Girl Scout Troop** for participating in a Babysitting Certification Course. The girls learned what to do in an emergency as well as how to handle basic childcare chores. Please consider hiring one of these girls to help watch your children, be a Mother's helper, or help keep children happy during a party. Kudos to the Girl Scouts for taking this important step! Contact Rebecca Bocek at [rebecca@hbsinsurance.com](mailto:rebecca@hbsinsurance.com) to get contact information of girls who completed the babysitting certification course.

**SCHOOL BOARD ALUMNI COMMITTEE:** On Monday, Dr. Kenny Fraga, (Class of 1978) arranged for CTK alum Jayne Appel (Class of 2002) and CHS alum and now Stanford star basketball player, to be on campus to speak to the 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Her message was to set goals, write them down, manage your time well and put 100% effort into all you do. It was an honor for her to be here to visit with our students and share her experiences after she graduated from Christ the King School.

**KINDERGARTEN APPLICANT TESTING:** This week we will be interviewing and testing 50 Kindergarten applicants for the 2010-2011 school year on Monday through Thursday. The office will be very busy, so we ask for your patience if you have to wait for assistance.

**INTENT TO RETURN FORMS:** Enclosed in today's envelope is each family's Intent to Return Form. This information is important as we continue to develop the projected budget for the 2010-2011 school year, which will be formalized in March. We are testing prospective students in grades 1-8 on Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> and need to know of potential openings for families requesting admission to CTK. Please complete the form and return it to the school office by **Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**. Registration fees for the 2010-2011 school year is \$300 per student, based on budget recommendations from last year. **No fees are due at this time. Re-registration packets for all families who return the intent form will be sent home on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**THURSDAY NIGHT OUT - PTG FUNDRAISER:** Please join your CTK friends at the Following -Night out Promotions:

- February 18th - Pasta Pomodoro - Pleasant Hill - **Flyer enclosed in today's envelope!**
- March 25th - Chuck E. Cheese
- April 15th - Rubio's - Pleasant Hill
- May 6th - Sweet Tomatoes - Pleasant Hill

**Watch for the fliers and be sure to bring them with you on the night of the event!**

**CHRIST THE KING PARISH AUCTION 2010:** We're inside a month before tickets go on sale... Is your table set? Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> you are invited to the biggest fundraising event of the year! Join us for an evening of fellowship, fundraising, and, new this year, dancing after the auction. Ticket sales begin on Sunday, March 7th, after the 9:15 Mass. Individual tickets are \$65, or buy a table for ten at \$550. The auction would not happen without your generosity. Have a vacation home you would offer for a weekend or week? Sports tickets? Services? Donation forms are available in the school office, back of the church, RE office, Parish House or on the auction website. And there is another easy way to donate....Use the CTK Auction Registry at Pottery Barn or Crate and Barrel

First Name: CTK Auction

Last name: 2010

Date of Event: May 1, 2010

Volunteers are also needed; please contact Rachel Cheshareck at [chezr@yahoo.com](mailto:chezr@yahoo.com) or 370-7375.

Visit our website for more information [www.ctkauction.org](http://www.ctkauction.org) or go to Facebook and become a fan of Christ the King Auction [www.facebook.com/CTKauction](http://www.facebook.com/CTKauction).

**BOXTOP NEWS:** BOXTOPS and more BOXTOPS - Send in your boxtops via the family envelope (label a baggie with your child's grade) or into your child's classroom. We have earned over \$700 this year so far. Current standings are as follows:

- K- 223 1st- 282
- 2nd- 306 3rd- 233
- 4th- 317 5th- 101
- 6th- 49 7th- 106
- 8th- 6

Help your class win an ice cream party! Thanks for your support of this valuable program.

**NEW PROGRAM: LUCKY'S SHARE CARDS:** Included in your family envelope today is a "SHARES" card for Lucky's grocery store. S.H.A.R.E.S. is a new program offered by Lucky's which stands for "Supporting Humanities, Arts, Recreations, Education and Sports in our Communities." Lucky's will send CTK up to 3% of your qualifying purchases; all you have to do is swipe your card at checkout. The enclosed cards have already been registered to CTK. If you would like an extra card for a family member or friend who might be a Lucky's shopper, please email Barb Gilbert at [barbtomryan@yahoo.com](mailto:barbtomryan@yahoo.com) and she will get you an extra one. PTG will report total earnings from this new program as we receive the numbers to keep you informed of this new way to bring funds to our school.

**SCRIP NEWS: DON'T MISS ALL OF OUR NEW OFFERINGS!** **Back Forty Barbeque \$25 @10%** **El Pollo Loco \$10 @ 6%** **Pasta Pomodoro \$25 @ 10%**, **Rubio's \$10 @ 16.5%** and **Whole Foods \$25 @ 4%**. **Reminder:** Buy your scrip early for the upcoming fundraiser nights so that it arrives on time!! Thank you for your continued support.

**GARDEN PARTY:** The Garden Work Party on February 20<sup>th</sup> is from 1-4 p.m. Please commit 4 hrs to help complete the Prayer Garden! We need your help or run the risk of not completing on time. Please sign up on the enclosed form and pick one slot to lend a hand. No experience necessary. Thank you!

**THE GARDEN CAFÉ:** The Garden Café will be closed this Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> due to the long holiday weekend. Our bakers and workers are taking a well-deserved long weekend!

**IMPORTANT DATES AHEAD:**

Tuesday, February 9:	Kindergarten Testing Continues 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, February 10:	Kindergarten Testing Continues 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. PTG Meeting 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, February 11:	Kindergarten Testing Continues 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Hot Lunch: Burritos Performing Arts 3:05 – 4:15 p.m.
Friday, February 12:	Garden Café closed
Sunday, February 14:	Happy Valentine's Day!
Monday, February 15:	President's Day Holiday – Enjoy!
Thursday, February 18:	School Board Meeting 7:15 p.m.

Peace,

Kathy Gannon-Briggs