

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

Welcome Back! We hope each of you had a joyous Easter. We reflect on the gospel message of love. Jesus loves Peter and believes in Peter and sends him out to lead all disciples. It is this love of Jesus that makes Peter's faith so strong. We can look to this gospel and reflect on how Jesus' love for us is unconditional and everlasting. This is a teachable moment for your children. We are blessed by our faith and strive each day to live out the message of love in the gospels. Gospel value for the week is Wisdom.

April is a great month with the 4th grade field trip to the Gold Country, Earth Day and a Week with No Waste (sponsored by the CJSF students), the Young Authors Faire, Lawrence Hall of Science's visit to all of our classes (Thanks to PTG and the funds from the Walk-A-Thon) Loaves and Fishes, 8th Gr. Fields trip to an Art Gallery, and then most importantly the auction set up!

A Thank you Note from the Blue Star Moms: "We would like to thank all that helped with Girl Scout cookies for our troops. We especially recognize the 1st grade, 2nd grade, 4th grade, 5th grade, 6th grade and 8th grade classes. Nothing says home like Girl Scout cookies when our troops are so far from home. We appreciate you. Patty Floyd, President Contra Costa Blue Star Moms"

Please mark your calendars for the OFFICIAL FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL as 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 24th, 2010. The remainder of the calendar is still in the planning stages.

REQUEST FOR PRAYERS: Your prayers are requested for the following individual and his family:

- For Mrs. Anna Massi our Technology Specialist, who is home recovering from knee surgery.
- For Father Declan and Sr. Maureen as they continues receiving chemotherapy.
- For the family of Chloe Madigan a 2nd Grade student at St. Joseph School in Pinole, who went to heaven last week.

A MESSAGE FROM MRS. CARINI: Recently I was diagnosed with melanoma. After many tests and doctor appointments I had surgery April 1st to remove more tissue from the area on my leg. At my post-op visit my surgeon gave me the good news that the pathology reports were clear. I'll be off work for a couple of weeks per my doctor's recommendation. Please keep me in your prayers. Love, Mrs. Carini

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to the Braganza-Fernandez family on the birth of their new baby boy!

REGISTRATION FEE DUE: A reminder that the 2nd installment for next year's Registration Fee was due last Wednesday, April 7th if payment in full was not made. Please send your payment to the office by tomorrow, Wednesday, April 14th. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter!

FINAL TUITION PAYMENT: For families utilizing the 10-month payment option, your final tuition payment for the 2009-2010 school year is due on **May 1st** and will be delinquent on **May 8th**. All families must have their tuition accounts paid in full by this date. If you are in need of an extended payment plan you must contact the school office to make arrangements. Current students will not be considered re-registered for the 2010-2011 school year as long as this year's tuition is unpaid.

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS: Please see enclosed letter regarding 2010-2011 tuition and fees.

PICTURE DAY IS COMING: Next Tuesday, April 20th, is Spring Picture Day. Please see the enclosed flyer. Students can wear Free Dress. There is no money due when these pictures are taken. Families can decide if they want to purchase them when the actual pictures are sent home for review.

PTG NEWS: Update on the "Race to Nowhere" Screening - The "Race to Nowhere" film screening scheduled at the Dean Leshner Center for the Arts on Thursday, April 22nd has been cancelled. The screening scheduled for Friday, April 23rd at the Orinda Theatre is sold out. A new screening is expected to be added at the Orinda Theatre on Sunday, April 25th. The tickets at the Orinda Theatre are \$8-\$10. Please keep checking the website: www.racetonowhere.com <<http://www.racetonowhere.com>/ to get current ticket information. From the home page, select the "screenings" option to find the dates and location where the film is being shown. This thought provoking film about the pressures that American school children experience premiered in October 2009 and has been discussed in various media outlets including the SF Chronicle, Oprah Radio and the Dr. Phil Show.

PTG DINE OUT FUNDRAISER: **April 15th** - Rubio's and Yogurtland what could be more fun! Have dinner at Rubio's and then dessert right next door! A winning combination. Rubio's flier is included in the envelope and Yogurtland is being ECO-Friendly....you just have to mention CTK and they will make sure your purchase is coded for our benefit! See you then.

MENTORS NEEDED: Please see enclosed flyer for mentoring new incoming CTK Families.

SCRIP NEWS: Yogurtland now available! \$10 cards at 5%. Stock up for the next fundraiser on April 15th (This Thursday!!!). Don't forget your Rubio's too. In-N-Out Burger is all sold out for the year. We can only buy a limited amount each school year so look for the next batch in September. **The 09-10 scrip year is coming to an end. Please be aware that you have until May 2nd to complete your obligation of \$250.** We sell through the family envelope each week, Monday mornings, and Friday afternoons in the parking lot. Thanks for your continuing support.

PRAYER GARDEN: We hope that many of you have had the opportunity to stroll through the CTK-Prayer Garden and find it peaceful. Thank you to the many volunteers who help ready the garden for its formal opening, we greatly appreciate it. Please find the enclosed flyer "Shop for the Prayer Garden". If you are looking to spruce up those yards, plant that summer garden or need a great gift, please consider shopping at Orchard Nursery in Lafayette. Orchard has

generously offered to offset the landscape costs for the Prayer Garden. Simply submit your receipt for March & April purchases by May 15th, to the school office, we'll do the rest. **Thank You.**

GARDEN OF BLESSINGS: Thank you to the Kate Halfon who organized the CTK- Garden Community Flag Project. This is the first year and we hope each class will be represented. Thank you to all the class volunteers! If you would like your ministry to be represented in the CTK-Garden Community Flag Project please contact Kate Halfon or gardenofblessings@gmail.com. There is still work to do! **The next work party is April 17th from 1-5 please consider donating your time. Thank You.**

AUCTION NEWS: Auction 2010- www.ctkauction.org
On Saturday, May 1st Christ the King will host the largest fund-raiser of the year. The night will be filled with bidding, dinner and dancing. Don't miss this wonderful night! Contact Patti Ruff at 939-6407 or Patricia.Ruff@kiewit.com to purchase tickets.

Need Fund-raising hours? Below are some options...**Preview Weekend:** Apr. 24-25 after 5:00pm, & 8:00, 9:15, and 10:45 masses- help sell "Appreciation" notes of thanks, raffle tickets and Fund-a-Need donations.

Auction Night Needs:

- **Bartenders:** 2 more bartenders needed from 8:00-11:30.
Raffle Tickets: Need 2 outgoing personalities, good at sales to sell raffle tickets during silent auction.
- **Premier & Live Auction recorders:** need 2-3 people to record live auction items and final bids during premier and dinner auction.
- **Take Down:** Need 5 people to help Sunday, May 2nd to put away table and chairs. Continue to drop off your empty shoe boxes and baskets at the school office for our silent auction in the tent. 18 days and counting...

FESTIVAL NEWS: Please read the enclosed flyer for the latest news regarding Festival 2010 – T minus 30 days to the World's Fair at CTK!

- **Festival T-Shirts** – Pre-ordered festival t-shirts were sent home with your **oldest child** yesterday. Please contact Scott Sander's (925-890-0725), or e-mail satch2197@yahoo.com if you need to exchange sizes or if anything was missing from your original order. If you would still like to purchase t-shirts, you may do so after all masses beginning April 17-18 through May 8-9.

CLUB CTK NEWS: **Art Enrichment Class:** Creative Creations Mobile Art Studio is offering an after school Art Enrichment Program. This is a three week program beginning on Wednesday April 21st and runs until Wednesday May 5th. Please see the enclosed flyer for information and sign ups. This program is available to all students at Christ the King School. If your child

attends CLUB CTK they will not be billed for CLUB time while attending the art program. If your child is not able to participate all three weeks you may prorate the fee, each week is \$16.00. If you have any questions please contact Sue Howard at 685-0995.

GARDEN CAFÉ: Next Friday we are celebrating Mrs. Gannon-Briggs birthday. We welcome everyone back from our little break. We are ready to celebrate Mrs. Gannon-Briggs birthday and spring. This springtime we will have lots of frittatas with spring greens like spinach, asparagus, some yummy scones, breakfast sandwiches with ham and cheese. Lots of fresh coffee, tea, juice and cereal to start off your spring morning. Come join us before school from 7:30- 7:55 a.m. or after for parents and parishioners.

IMPORTANT DATES AHEAD:

Wednesday, April 14: Field trip Gr. 6, Tech Museum San Jose 8:30-3:30 p.m.
PTG Meeting 7:15 p.m. - Media Center
Thursday, April 15: Hot Lunch – Chicken Caesar Salad
Performing Arts 3:05 – 4:15 p.m.
Restaurant Night at Rubios & Yogurtland
Festival Meeting 7 p.m. – Room 222
Friday, April 16: Liturgy 8:00 a.m. – Grades 6 & 5
Garden Café 7:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, April 17: First Eucharist Grade 2
9:30, 11:00, & 12:30 p.m.
Garden Work Party 1-5 p.m.
Monday, April 19: Choir 3:05 – 4:15 p.m.

Peace,

Kathy Gannon-Briggs