

Immaculate Conception † St. Joseph School Newsletter

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With support from families, we respect and encourage students to reach their potential **Spiritually** by developing a strong relationship with Jesus and knowledge of His church, **Academically** by igniting learning, leadership and life skills, **Physically** by learning about and living healthy habits and **Socially** by becoming active members of the community who serve others as stewards of the Gospel so they are the light of Christ in the world.

APRIL Habit of the Month: SYNERGIZE

- ★ Remember to attend Mass and grab a **bulletin/children's bulletin!** (Have your child write his or her name on it and turn it in on Monday, or turn them all in at the end of the month.)
- ★ Remember that together is better! Value differences and seek a third alternative.
- ★ How is your child living Habit 6: "Synergize" at home based on some of the key concepts we have been learning about this month?

Mya Strong T-shirt

Mya's last day at school before her surgery will be tomorrow. We want to send her off with prayers and well wishes. Students and staff who purchased a Mya Strong t-shirt are encouraged to wear it tomorrow. If a student didn't get a t-shirt, please wear tie-dye or lavender (Mya's favorite color). Students need to wear uniform pants. It is First Friday so we will be celebrating Mass.

Praying for Mya

On April 5 the students in K-8 will be praying the rosary. We will be offering our prayers for Mya because it is the day of her surgery. Students are encouraged to bring a rosary, if they have one. Students who purchased a MyaStrong shirt can wear them on Tuesday, as well. They will need to wear uniform pants.



Peace • Love • Mya Strong

PTO Meeting

Our next PTO meeting will be held Tuesday, April 5 at 6:00pm in Room 202 at IC School. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Tuition Assistance Deadline is April 15

The Our Faith, Our Children, Our Future School Tuition Organization (STO) and Bosco Catholic School System (BCSS) are pleased to once again provide tuition assistance to qualifying families.

The STO program will be utilizing FACTS Management to assist in determining the level of assistance to be awarded.

The FACTS application needs to be completed no later than April 15, 2022. The online FACTS application can be found at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>

Students to attend *Rosie Revere Engineer & Friends*

Our Kindergarten, first and second grade students will be attending *Rosie Revere Engineer & Friends* on Wednesday, April 6. They will travel to UNI's Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center (GBPAC) in Cedar Falls as part of Allen Hospital's Kaleidoscope Series.

No school Friday, April 8 - Professional Development Day

2022-2023 Kindergarten and Preschool

We are gathering numbers for our 2022-2023 kindergarten and preschool classes. If you have a child who will be entering kindergarten or preschool next year, or if you know of someone who has a child, please fill out the form in this newsletter and return to the school office.



**Please send all newsletter items to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org
by 3:00pm on Wednesday, April 6.**



From Mrs. Claypool...

We have been having a great school year! Last week, the students completed a grammar activity that focused on adjectives. Each student was given a flower with six petals and a picture of themselves in the middle. The students walked around the room and wrote an adjective that described the student on one of the petals. When all of the petals were filled, each student had six, positive adjectives that described them. The students did a wonderful job describing their classmates/friends in such a positive way!

Many students told me that this activity made them feel really good about themselves! This activity definitely helped brighten up our classroom just in time for spring!



Bosco Baseball Skills Camp

This skills camp is for students in grades 1-6 and will focus on hitting, fielding, and pitching. Flyers went home last week and are available in the office. Sign up deadline is Friday, April 15.

Softball Coach Needed

We are looking to hire a middle school Softball Coach for this summer's season. If you are interested, or know of anyone who might be interested, please contact Mr. Chicchelly at bchicchelly@boscocatholic.org.

Elementary & Middle School Spring Concert Information

CORRECTION: The Middle School concert will be on Wednesday, **April 27** at 6:00pm in the Don Bosco Gym. This concert will include all students in grades 6, 7, and 8.

The K-5 Spring Concert will be held on Wednesday, **May 4** at 6:00pm. Weather permitting, this will be an outdoor concert by the playground at I.C.

More information regarding concert attire and arrival times as the dates get closer.

Nurse's Notes

Last week was Poison Prevention Week. We all think about the cleaning supplies that we keep under the sink. How about the medicines in the medicine cabinet or cupboard? Medication is the number one cause of poisoning in children. Also button batteries, expanding balls or beads and magnets pose a great health risk. Batteries can become lodged and then release toxic chemicals. Balls and beads expand with liquid and magnets may actually make tissues close off or burn a hole. Young children are inquisitive and put everything in their mouths; they are especially drawn to liquids. Post the number for Poison Control in a visible place. [1-800-222-1222](tel:1-800-222-1222) is the number for Poison Control. Prevention is key. Marianne Hickey RN

Blood Drive

Don Bosco National Honor Society (NHS) will host a Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, April 5 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the high school gym, and your support can help make this blood drive a success!

Giving blood at this drive can also help our students earn scholarships! We're proud to take part in the American Red Cross High School Scholarship Program. Scholarships are awarded to students that demonstrate leadership in the coordination of Don Bosco's blood drives.

To schedule an appointment visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Don%20Bosco> for the direct link to our blood drive scheduler. Reach out to a NHS member: Kendahl Freet, Matt Koppmann, Ryan McFadden, Hanna Schulte, Abby Steimel, Cade Tenold, Carson Tenold, or Dylan Youngblut.

You can also visit redcrossblood.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or contact the high school office 319-296-1692.

Attention Bakers

Don Bosco is hosting the 2022 High School State contest for individual, small and large ensemble groups and choir. This contest will take place at Don Bosco High School on April 9. The school is hosting 20 different local high schools in this contest! We are requesting the assistance of community members in a bake sale! If you are able to donate baked goods, such as cookies, muffins, bars or rolls, wrapped either individually or by half dozen, it would be greatly appreciated. Please deliver these items to the Don Bosco high school on Saturday, April 9 between 7:00 and 8:00am, or contact one of the Don Bosco band parents to arrange a pick up! Thank you for your assistance!

Teacher Appreciation Week

Our PTO is gearing up for Teacher Appreciation Week and we need your help to make it great for our teachers! We are looking for gift cards to anywhere local for a fun surprise. These can be in any increment, big or small, to any shop, restaurant, gas station, etc. Part of the fun will be the variety of retail places and dollar amounts. Please turn in your gift card donations to the main office clearly labeled "TAW Gift Card." We will be collecting gift card donations through April 22. Any donation will be greatly appreciated! More information about Teacher Appreciation Week will be coming. Thank you for supporting our amazing teachers!

*If you have questions or would like to help with Teacher Appreciation Week in other ways, please contact Crystal Frost @ cfrost@boscocatholic.org

COF Easter Egg Race

On Sunday, April 10 the Catholic Order of Foresters youth members are invited to the Easter Egg Race at 2:30pm in St. Mary Center. Each child will collect candy and eggs in the gym. All COF youth will be able to pick a toy.

St. Joseph Parish Fundraiser

St. Joseph Parish in Raymond will be holding a Frosted, Pecan, and Caramel Roll Fundraiser on April 23. Order your delicious fresh-baked, frosted, pecan, and caramel rolls by April 15. Rolls are \$3.00 each or 6 rolls for \$15.00.

You may pre-order on the parish web-site at: <http://www.icsjchurch.com/Bulletins.htm> , or on Facebook under

Immaculate Conception & Saint Joseph Catholic Churches, Iowa.

If you prefer to call, contact one of the following:

Michelle Stroh – text or message 319-429-3293

Linda Kayser – text or message 319-830-2746

Mary McMahon – leave message 319-939-6279

Orders will be taken through Friday, April 15. Extras will be available, but not guaranteed. Orders may be picked up at Reuter Hall, 313 E. Central Street, in Raymond on Saturday, April 23 between 4:00pm–6:30pm. Thank you for your support!

2022
26th Annual
4-H

OMELET
Breakfast

Drive Thru
Take Out
Available
Cash or Check only!

SUNDAY, April 3rd

8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

at the **UAW HALL**
2615 Washington St, Waterloo

• **MADE to Order OMELETS** plus...

• Pork Sausage • Hash Browns • Cinnamon Rolls • Toast • Orange Juice • Milk & Coffee

\$8.00 Adults (11 & Over) **\$2.00** Youth (6-10) **FREE** (5 and under)

Tickets available at the Black Hawk County Extension and Outreach Office.

TICKETS ARE ALSO SOLD AT THE DOOR.

Sponsored by Black Hawk County 4-H Proceeds to benefit Black Hawk County 4-H Programs & 4-H & FFA Fair.



BOSCO CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM KINDERGARTEN VISITATION DAY



April 20, 2022
1:00-5:00 pm



CURRENT FAMILIES:

PRE-K STUDENTS WILL BE BUSSED OVER AT 1:00 TO SPEND SOME TIME IN OUR KINDERGARTEN ROOM. PARENTS ARE INVITED TO COME AND VISIT THE CLASSROOM ANY TIME BETWEEN 2:00 AND 5:00



New Families:

Please plan to bring your child and visit our Kindergarten between 2:45 and 5:00.

OR

Schedule a tour at a time that works for you!

FOR MORE INFO OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR

☎ 319-296-1089

cberry@boscocatholic.org





STAFF SHOUTOUTS



Parents had an opportunity to give a shoutout to staff members at Appreciation Stations set up during conferences. We would like to share them with you:

- They keep the schools clean.
- Thank you for keeping our school clean. We appreciate you.
- Keeping our school clean, even after a day with the little preschoolers making a mess. We appreciate you.
- They make good food everyday.
- They make food for us everyday.
- Thank you for working hard each day to provide good meals.
- Thank you for always keeping our school running, no matter the day, she makes IC run smooth!
- Thank you for being so organized. You are so beneficial to our kids, teachers, parents and school.
- All that she does for our school! She is proactive and runs a tight ship. You can always count on her!
- You are a true jack of all trades, VIP, MVP! This school is so lucky to have you. You are irreplaceable!
- Thank you for being so great with the kids.
- Thank you for tending to my sick children and make them feel better! We appreciate you!
- I always appreciate your detailed emails if my kids have issues. Thank you for doing such a great job keeping us as parents informed.
- Thank you for believing in me so I can be a safety person in the gym.
- Thank you for encouraging my kids to work hard and stay active. We are fortunate to have a teacher that cares about our kids and school system.
- You are a big reason my son is doing so well this year!
- She helps me through things that I am going through.
- She is always willing to help my kiddos whenever they need it! We appreciate you and will miss you very much!!
- You are so nice and you understand my feelings so well!
- You are very strong!
- This year is the first year my kids look forward to music class. Thank you for peaking their interest and being a great teacher.
- Thank you for being such a great art teacher.
- You are the bomb.com.
- Thank you for being awesome!
- Because they do hard work keeping people safe. I have happiness for them.
- Keeping our libraries in tip top shape. Their volunteerism is the epitome of service!
- Thank you for volunteering your time with our preschoolers week after week, year after year. You are a blessing!
- Thank you for helping my daughter be a successful student. We appreciate all you have done.
- He is funny and kind. Also caring.
- Thank you for loving our kids!
- You inspire my son to keep working hard at all aspects of life. He looks up to you. You're a great role model!
- He is kind, caring and loving to all of his students.
- Making sure I am working to the best of my ability.
- Thank you for being such a positive leader and role model for our kids. You care about your students and it shows. We are so grateful for you!
- You always help my son correct math errors. His confidence has grown. Appreciate everything.
- You always keep things fun!
- She is very nice and makes class fun.
- Thank you for being so understanding when I don't understand something.
- She is always staying positive.
- You kept an open mind when students expressed interest in a book that wasn't on the AR list.
- Thank you for being such a great teacher!
- Thank you for pushing the kids to work hard. You really do want them to succeed. We are so fortunate to have an exceptional teacher like you.

- Thank you for being such a wonderful leader!!
- Being the most awesomest, rockness ever!
- Thank you for being such a great teacher!
- You are very cool.
- She is very nice.
- She is very nice and kind.
- Being such a light and sparking interest in school!
- Thank you for being such a super fun to learn with everyday!
- Thank you for being such a good teacher and everything.
- Thank you for being a good teacher.
- She is nice.
- Thank you for being a good science teacher.
- You are such a creative and fun teacher. You make the kiddos excited to learn. We are so thankful for you!
- Thank you for teaching the 2nd grade. You are a great teacher.
- Thank you for always being compassionate to her students.
- You explain things so well!
- Thanks for being the best 3rd grade teacher ever.
- She is funny.
- Thank you for helping my daughter grow! She has done well this year and enjoys school! We appreciate you!!
- Thanks for doing stuff different like math and a lot of other things.
- Thank you for helping with math.
- Thanks for helping my son grow! He has done great this year and enjoys school! We appreciate you!
- Thank you for helping my son learn and grow each day!
- Your help and patience have been a huge blessing!
- She pushes me to do better!
- She is so nice!
- Thanks for helping when we need help.
- She helps me with everything I struggle at.
- Thank you for helping your students grow and learn each day.
- You make learning fun. This is a very special quality. Thank you for sharing your talents with students.
- Being the BEST preschool teacher.
- Giving it your bet everyday to help our kids grow and learn to be the best they can be!
- Thank you for being so great with the kids!
- Her many gifts and talents! She is one of the MOST organized people I know! Her roots in the community and exceptional teaching skills are such an asset to our school!
- Being our fearless leader, always full of humor, and a phenomenal preschool teacher! I love working with you!
- Thank you for being a star Utility Player! Her love for our Catholic school shows through all of her words and deeds.
- Helping our children learn and grow! They all love you so much.
- Thank you for always bringing a bright smile to her classroom! Her sweetness is SO welcoming!
- Being the clams to the crazy, the patient with our wild, and just being an example of genuine kindness.



We are beginning to prepare for the 2022-2023 school year!

It's time to **RESERVE** your child's **spot** in our
3 year old, 4 year old, or kindergarten program.

If you know of someone who has a 3 year old, 4 year old, or kindergartner,
please let us know or share this form with them!

Our after school program (ABC) will be available for all 3 and 4 year olds enrolled in our full day
classes. ABC is open to PK-5 students.

Grade in 2022-2023: (circle one)

Kindergarten

Preschool 4 yr old

Preschool 3 yr old

Please circle the 4 year old option you are interested in:

M-F 7:30-2:15

M-W-F 7:30-2:15

M-F 7:30-10:30

Please circle the 3 year old option you are interested in:

M-F 7:30-2:15

M-W-F 7:30-2:15

M-F 7:30-10:30

M-W-F 7:30-10:30

Child's Name: _____ Male Female (circle one)

Child's Date of Birth: _____

Parent Names: _____

Street Address, PO Box: _____

City, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Catholic Non-Catholic (circle one) Parish registered: _____