



Our Lady of Lourdes Newsletter

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From the desk of Kathy Bogataj

Dear Parents,

It's hard to believe that we've been back from vacation for two weeks. Where does the time go! The end of the second quarter is next Wednesday — we're almost half way done with the school year!!

We all lead such busy lives that sometimes we forget to take time for the important things - our faith, our families, or even our health. We need to remember to prioritize and make sure that God is at the top of our list. When we take more time for God, (including attending weekly Mass) it helps us in all aspects of life. The beginning of a new year is always a great time to make changes, perhaps moving God up on your priority list is one for this year!

Blessings on your upcoming week!

Kathy J. Bogataj

Campus Events

- ** **Mon. Jan. 18th** - Martin Luther King Day - No School!!
- ** **Wed. Jan. 20th** - End of 2nd quarter
- ** **Mon. Jan. 25th** - Report cards distributed
- ** **Fri. Jan. 29th** - Dress down day! All proceeds to benefit Catholic Relief Services for aid to Haiti! Prayer service - time to be Announced!

"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world" Anne Frank

This and That:

**Please remind your grandparents to RSVP for the Grandparent's Day activities on Thurs. Feb. 4th. RSVP's should be sent to the school office!

**Hats off to our alum Andy Delgado! Andy was selected as the State Farm Student of the Month at Clearwater Central Catholic High School. Congratulations, Andy!

**We send out condolences to the Gracy families (Jillian, Jolie, Matthew and Julia) for the loss of their beloved grandmother Shelia Gracy. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

**Check out our morning show online at <http://www.schooltube.com/user/todayOLL> Ms MacLean is doing a terrific job working with the students in putting together our show!!

School News

*Catholic Schools Week
Dividends for Life
Jan. 31st – Feb. 6th, 2010*

EC4 CLASS NEWS

The children in EC4 are having lots of fun learning to make patterns. They are using everything they can get their hands on to make all sorts of varied patterns. They have



also learned that God loves to use patterns in nature. He uses them up in the clouds and down in the sand. You might see a pattern in a cat's fur, a bird's feather, or a butterfly's wing. God makes big patterns

like rainbows and small ones like a spider's web. Once they began to see the circles, stripes, and spirals in nature it was easy to make patterns of their own. **God** is as always the **best teacher!**

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten class has been learning about the water cycle. They have discovered that water travels in a circle through



evaporation, condensation and precipitation. They did experiments and observed all three forms of water. They also constructed a model of the earth out of salt dough. They painted one quarter

brown and three quarters blue to show that there is more water on the earth than land. They are now learning how to take care of the earth through conservation.



The Varsity Roman basketball team participated in the Skycrest Basketball tournament on December 11th and 12th. We played with determination and desire but fell short the last game by 2 points to advance to the next game. We are looking forward to our upcoming season. Hunter Coia, Stevie Pasquali and Connor Ker were chosen to represent OLL on the all tournament team. Congratulations to them and the entire team for representing OLL well.



The eighth graders have been hard at work the past month learning several different songs on the hand bells. They have performed at the Dunedin Country Club, and at Dunedin's Old Fashion Christmas. The class also performed at the school's Christmas performance on December 17th. We are very proud of the eighth grade and their musical talent.