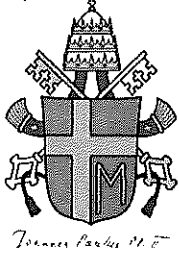


June 5, 2018



Mrs. Catherine Zagola
Principal

Principal's Reflection

As we get ready to end this school year I actually wanted to share an excerpt from a Summertime Reflection by retired Bishop Paul S. Loverde from Arlington.

Summer often acts like a Sabbath for the year. God created the world in six days, and rested on the seventh. Likewise, students and people in the work force work diligently through the year, and summertime provides a period of rest and refreshment after long hours of labor. Although work continues through the summer, many use this season to take a much-needed vacation with family and friends.

School is out for students, but they still continue to learn every day. As parents, who are the primary educators of their children, what lessons have you planned for your children this summer? Perhaps the lesson of sharing and loving our neighbors through swimming pool parties? Perhaps discussing the influence of the media on our culture watching a good movie, and discussing its message and effects on their perceptions? Perhaps taking care of the less fortunate through involvement in a local charity or soup kitchen? Perhaps helping your children to delve deeper into their faith through summer bible readings?

Our Holy Father emphasizes the need for vacations and renewal. Last summer he shared these observations. "I invite everyone to make these days of well-deserved summer rest a time of inner enrichment and worthwhile family relaxation" (Angelus Message, July 16, 2000). "Vacations, holidays, must be wisely used in order to benefit the individual and family through contact with nature, tranquility, the opportunity to foster greater family harmony, good reading and healthy recreational activities; above all, through the possibility of spending more time in prayer, in contemplation and in listening to God" (Angelus Message, July 23, 2001).

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Check This Out!

Looking Ahead to

2018 – 2019

New Math Books

New Sadlier Math textbooks and workbooks were purchased for Grades K-6. This series has many real-world problem-solving applications and STEAM Connections (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics). It also has many digital resources that the teachers can use with the students.

New Reading Readiness Program for Pre-Kindergarten

Happily Ever After is a readiness program that uses beautiful illustrated selections of children's literature to teach basic reading and writing skills. We are excited to introduce this program to our students.

Investors Bank Sponsors Science Club

Investors Bank in Florence is donating \$500.00 so that 20 students from Grades 3-5 can attend an afterschool program-Wacky World of Science. An outside company provides the materials & teachers so that students can explore and experiment with different elements of science.

National Junior Honor Society

Under the direction of Mrs. Patricia Kelly, this group will be in full swing beginning in September for grades 6-8. We are looking forward to working with our student leaders and helping them achieve their goals.

Congratulations Corner

Science Fair Winners

We are very proud of the work that our students did on their science projects. The following students deserve special recognition as they were chosen by a group of 7 judges as the winners:

Grade 6

1st - Lloyd Yancey
2nd - Angelina Ramos
3rd - Edson Cutrim & William Perry
Honorable Mention - Kelly McCain

Grade 7

1st - Marissa Schmidt
2nd - Lareina Saydee
3rd - Samantha Bocci &
Jazlyn Ramos
Honorable Mention -
Christopher Turay

Grade 8

1st - Jennifer Pilla
2nd - Michael Rodriguez
3rd - Fernando Dosman
Honorable Mention - Ariela Cambronero

Congratulations on a job well done.

Published Authors

Eight of our students had their poems published in an anthology "2018 Rising Stars Collection". The Students wrote these poems under the direction of their ILA teacher, Mrs. Pugh. The students are:

Grade 6

Jocelyn Kinney

Grade 7

Alondra Batista
Samantha Bocci
Ty Valencia

Grade 8

Alexia Boyd
Ariela Cambronero
Fernando Dosman
Salome Prime

Congratulations Corner continued....

Grade 4 of 2016-2017 NAEP Results

Last year's fourth grade participated in the National Assessment of Educational Progress tests. We have just received the results and our Catholic schools once again outperformed the public schools in both reading and math in the tested grades of 4 and 8. See enclosed results. Congratulations parents, teachers and students! **Your investment is paying off!**

It's Saturday

This was another wonderful performance by our students in grades K to Gr.5. The acting was perfect and the singing memorable. I'm still humming, some of the songs. Great job students & Ms. Cifuentes and Mrs. Bacon.

F.Y.I.

Summer Camps & Programs at Camden Catholic

CCHS offers a range of summer programs including academic and arts offerings along with sports camps. Perfect for many grade levels, especially middle school students, academic offerings include HSPT Prep, Writing & Presentation Skills, Forensic Science and more. The annual summer theater program is certain to be a hit once again with this year's production "The Little Mermaid, Jr." Digital arts, fine arts and music programs round out the arts offerings. Athletic camps include baseball, softball, field hockey, girls lacrosse, boys basketball and girls basketball. Dates, details and costs are listed online. Visit www.camdencatholic.org/summercamps or contact Vice Principal of Student Affairs Ms. Ann Clinton: 856-663-2247 ext. 108 or ann.clinton@camdencatholic.org.

IOWA Results

Grades 2-8 received their IOWA test results on Tuesday, May 29th with their Family Envelope. A national percentile of 50 is considered average. Every grade scored higher than 50% with ILA being the highest score with the exception for Gr. 3 which scored the highest in Math. Grades 3, 5 and 7 scored highest in Social Studies and grades 4, 6 and 8 scored highest in Science. See attached paper from NAEP.

F.Y.I.

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Summer Office Hours

The school's Main Office will be opened on Mondays through Thursdays from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. If you are trying to reach us by phone and no one answers, please leave a message. Many times we are working in another part of the building and cannot hear the phone ring. We will be sure to return your call.

Lunch Accounts

As we end our school year, it is important that all accounts are up to date. No one will be able to charge lunch after June 1st. You must have money on your child's account or send it with them each day. This notice was first sent home on May 29th. Report cards will be held until all financial obligations are met.