

Falcon Forum

Immaculate Conception Catholic School

From your PTO Board

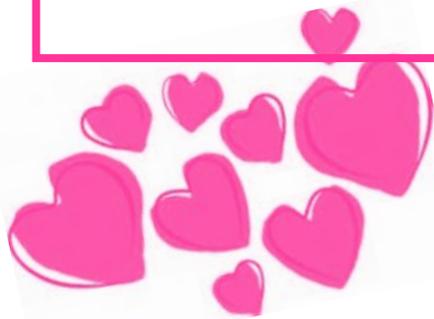
Although we aren't able to host events like we normally do, PTO is hard at work putting a little cheer into the school. We decorate the lounge and give snacks to the teachers, we are discussing potential facility improvements, and we will be decorating for our 100th day of school. We have done some little things along the way like giving our teachers and staff hot water in a hall bathroom (I will date myself, but if you are an IC alumni, it is the private bathroom closest to the old teachers lounge), and we have surprised Coach Cam with some PE equipment. Although he had on a mask, I think he was smiling. I know the teachers appreciate being able to wash their hands with hot water. The First Friday Teacher Lunches are a welcomed gift to our staff.

Again—I know I say this a lot, but thank you for making all this possible. We could not do what we do without your support!

—Casey Simon
PTO President

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And the spoiling continues! [Immaculate Conception Pto](#) IS AWESOME!



COVID update:

As many of you know, we are excited that we have been able to open up our music room safely for classes. Dr. Tyson had many classes outside, but as the weather turned colder, we considered our options carefully. These classes have gone extremely well! Our students are safely distanced and loving music class!

THANK YOU, DR. TYSON!

—Mrs. Schafer



New Teacher Spotlight

Name: Samantha Beggs

Birthday: January 26

Hometown: Little Rock

Current IC Position: Jr. High Science

Who was your favorite teacher and why? My favorite teacher was my first grade teacher because she helped to develop my love for Jesus.

What profession other than your own would you like to attempt? architect

Favorite Quote? “To laugh at yourself is to love yourself.”
—Mickey Mouse

Accomplishments or honors you have achieved that you are proud of? I have completed two Disney Princess Half Marathons, won teacher of the year at a previous school, and have completed all but my dissertation for my Doctor of Education degree.

Do you have pets? I have a teacup Yorkshire Terrier named TigerLily (Lily for short).



Junior High Science

Ms. Beggs

Seventh graders have been learning about the structure of cells in the body and mitosis through some hands-on activities and games. Eighth graders have been studying Newton's laws of motion and had the opportunity to discover those laws with a hands-on lab.



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Brussels sprouts on a drum? It must be Dr. Tyson's **music** room! I didn't know until one minute ago that it's spelled Brussels. I always thought it was Brussel sprouts. Since the vegetable is named for the city of Brussels, in Belgium, we need the 's'. We will take a bit of music time to harvest our wonderful sprouts this week. Roast them with olive oil in the oven for about 30 minutes, or until browned, and you will be delighted! In music news the talent show videos will be viewed during Catholic Schools Week, and we are excited! The filming week went very well and I can't wait for you to see the show. Thank you **Student Government** for helping during filming. Watch for the Valentine's Day Scoop Dog sale in February.
 —Dr. Tyson



Fourth grade is 100 days brighter!



In **art**, the fourth and fifth graders have been working on bears in sweaters! Additionally, all art students in K-7th grades have been hard at work on our Square 1 Art fundraiser. Stay tuned for more details!
 —Mrs. Callaway

Junior High English Mrs. Rogers

The eighth graders had the opportunity to read a book of their choosing at the beginning of second semester. After completing it, each student worked on a project to display to their classmates!



Both **sixth grade** classes have begun their magical journey through the wardrobe in C. S. Lewis's classic novel, *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*. We're also enjoying a little friendly boys versus girls competition in Accelerated Reader! In social studies class, we're beginning our study of Ancient Egypt. We have taken short breaks, though, from our exploration of world history. First, of course, we learned about Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his work. We even recorded our own dreams for our country and our world, inspired by Dr. King's "I Have Dream" speech. Second, we learned a bit about Presidential inaugurations and watched some footage of our new President's and Vice-President's swearing-in ceremonies. What a historic moment, to be witnesses to the country's first female Vice-President! In English class, we'll soon be starting our comparison/contrast essays. In science, we have been practicing the scientific method while doing several small labs together in class. Some of the favorites were growing gummy bears and turning daisies blue and green! We have also watched several amazing experiment video clips to help get our creative juices flowing for the upcoming science fair. Our topics came in on January 29th, and the problem statement is due on 2/5. In math, we surveyed our classmates and constructed graphs from the resulting data tables. The kids will start the computerized versions of their graphs in computer class this week. They always LOVE using the graphics!! Have a wonderful February!





The IC school **spelling bee** took place on December 10. Like so many other things, It looked a bit different this year! Contestants were spaced apart in their seats on the gym floor, and the audience watched via Zoom. One thing remained the same, though: the spellers did a fantastic job! Our school bee runner-up was a seventh grader who was new to our school last year. He competed in the school bee last year as well, when he was 6A's classroom winner.

Our 2020-21 winner was an eighth grader who has been in the school bee every year since he was first eligible in 4th grade! He has designed a computer program to help him study for the county bee, which is the next level of competition. The program pronounces the word for him, and he types it in. When he created the program several months ago, he had no idea that, due to the ongoing pandemic, this is precisely the way in which the county bee will be conducted! The county bee was originally scheduled for January 9, but was postponed until January 30. Just this week, the in-person bee was canceled altogether due to ongoing health concerns, and it was announced that the competition will be an online test instead. We wish him the best of luck. Watch this space to find out how he did!



We have been having fun in **PK3** since returning from Christmas break. One of the many things we have learned about is the letter F. We had a fantastic time finger painting and enjoyed wearing our aprons. We also had fun making faces.



100 days ... we braved the unknowns of the beginning of the school year in **PK4**. The masks, the social distancing, the plexiglass, the cohorts. But here we are at 100 days and look how far we've come. All of these things have built us up and made us stronger! Here's to finishing up the rest of the school year strong! #PK4Rocks



In **second grade**, we celebrated the 100th day of school with cake and a creative writing project about how we would look if we were 100 years old. We also got a surprise visit from Freddie Falcon!

First grade made it through the first 100 days of school with flying colors!



Third grade is fired up for the 100th day of school!



Kindergarten is rocking the 100th day of school!

100th Day of School



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SCHOOLS WEEK 2021**
January 31 - February 6
#CSW21

February

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
31 Catholic Schools Week! →	1	2 Day of Giving	3	4 Talent Show 1:45 pm	5 Early Out 2 pm	6
7	8	9	10	11	12 Early Out 2 pm	13
14 Valentine's Day	15 President's Day NO SCHOOL	16	17 Ash Wednesday	18	19 Stations 1:30 pm Early Out 2 pm	20
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