

# THE BOSCO BULLETIN



**Special points of interest:**

- New Science Lab
- Special Visitor
- Word Search Fun

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## Grants

The start of making our science lab was getting our first grant which was from Harrisburg through Senator Greenleaf. Senator Greenleaf also helped us obtain a grant for the playground.

The grants were written by Sister Susan, Mrs. Reinert, and many others. Sister wrote the letter asking for the grants: \$5,000 for the science lab and \$5,000 for the playground.

We got the idea to ask for a grant for a science lab to help better prepare our students for high school. All together we received 3 grants for our science lab.

Sister is hoping that the students will learn to love science, love experiments, and go out and "give it all you got for Science Fairs!" While interviewing Sister we asked her, "Who is going to use the science lab?" And she responded happily, "EVERYONE!"

The first thing planned is for the equipment to be sorted through by the science teachers, Mrs. Homa and Mrs. McDonough.

By Jenny & Casey

## Setting Up the Lab

The Science Lab is an important part of our educational program here at SJB. It helps us learn the importance of science in every day life. All the new equipment will open the door to many scientific topics.

In mid-February, the sixth grade class were the first to go into the brand new lab. We unpacked the first pieces of equipment, which were several simple machines that we were learning about then. Each group put together one of the simple machine. We then took turns trying out the machines.

We hope you have as much fun with the science lab materials as we did.

By Diego & Nick



## Building the Lab

Mr. and Mrs. Sonsini and Mr. and Mrs. Byrne with Mrs. Krier and her Dad helped complete the painting and the building of shelves for the new science lab. Mrs. Krier, the president of our Home and School Association, took some of her time to answer our questions. We asked Mrs. Krier:

*What was the purpose of building the Science Lab?*

She replied: For the children to have an interest and an understanding in the subject of Science. It will also give the children a sense of trying new and exciting experiments.

*Why do you think that the Lab will help us in Science?*

It is a necessary part of life that teaches us what happens and why it happens.

*What is your favorite thing about the Science Lab?*

The best part of building the Science Lab is knowing that I had fun and seeing all the children's happy faces.

**Thank you to all of the people who helped create the science lab for us!**

By Danielle and Angel

# Family Night



Families in our parish started off the first Lenten Friday night at Church with Stations of the Cross! Some students that read at Stations were: Aubrey Atkinson, Danielle Hebling, Casey Leven, Collin Murphy, James Byrne, Devon Lavery, Brigette McCoy, Colleen Sweeney, and Brian Smart.

After Stations, everyone went to the school cafeteria for a pizza dinner provided by the CYO. When dinner was over everyone had to be seated to work on a family project. The project was "A Crown of Thorns." It was made of a round branch and cloves. Feeling the sharpness of the cloves made a lot of people think of Jesus' suffering. The night ended with a closing prayer from Father Ronan.

By Angel and Danielle

## PLAY BALL!

This Baseball Season Team  
Members from SJB are:

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Shane Atkinson	Joe Whalen
Ian Lyons	Jimmy Farrell
Matt Kuhlmeier	Kyle
Gus Lawn	Pat
Nick Halzack	Mike

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Jimmy Byrnes	Tyler Celline
Diego Racanco	Nick
Nick Messina	Pat
Rhett Krier	

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Richard Jastrzebski  
Kyle Greener  
Bobby Jacobs  
Brian Smart

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Glynn McCann  
Sean Sweeney  
Collin Murphy

These boys of St. John Bosco Parish have signed up to play baseball and represent our parish school. The grades are combined into two teams: 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade form one team, and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> form another.

We hope the best for the boys and will support them all the way! (There may be more PREP boys that are unknown to the Bulletin Staff.)

By Shane and Ian

## Sister Catherine Irene - Educational Consultant of the IHM Community

Sister Catherine visited our school from March 5<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup>. She came to observe everyone and give Sr. Susan an update on our academic progress.

*Q: What kind of activities does your job involve?*

*A: My job requires traveling to a different school almost every week and meeting people.*

*Q: What is the first thing you do when you arrive at a school?*

*A: I usually look to see if the school is a school of prayer and Catholic Education.*

*Q: What is the favorite part of your job?*

*A: I like seeing progress in the schools I visit and have previously visited. I also like to see progress in innovative ways in teaching our young people the faith so I can pass it on to other schools.*

*Q: Why did you become a sister?*

*A: Well, first I was a teacher at a Catholic school and my fellow teachers were mostly Sisters. They were all so very kind and generous. They encouraged me to apply to become a Sister; and here I am!*

By Aubrey and Kim

## Faculty Retreat

The Saint John Bosco school teachers took a day to relax and pray. Their day of leisure was at the Shrine of Saint Katherine Drexel on Friday, March 23. Of course everyone can visit the shrine anytime; it a great place for concentrating on reflection and prayer.

Saint Katherine Drexel devoted her life to the Eucharist and helping the poor and sick among

the African and Native Americans. One of her sayings was "May He be so pleased with His work in our soul, and through you in others, that He will make infinite the pride in His accomplishments."

At the Shrine a Sister of the Blessed Sacrament gave two conferences. Fr. Ronan celebrated Mass for the

teachers in the beautiful chapel which was built in 1891. Saint Katherine Drexel's body also rests there. Black and Native American artifacts are there to enjoy. It is a great place to have a prayerful and historical experience.



By Tayler Lamenia

# SJB HUNT

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| CATHOLIC   | LUNCH         | PRINCIPAL  |
| CHURCH     | MISS WALTRICH | SCIENCE    |
| CLASSROOM  | MRS MCKNIGHT  | SNACK TIME |
| COMPUTER   | MUSIC CLASS   | STUDENTS   |
| GYM        | NEWSLETTERS   |            |

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Input by Nick

## Taylor and Kelsey's Advice Column

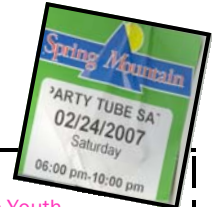
This month's issue: Bullying.

We feel that bullying is a major issue, especially in schools. No one should have to put up with it. Unfortunately many kids do and that should change. We were fortunate to have Mr. Tom Murt, State Representative, speak to us about this issue. Some of his ideas were discussed and we are sharing them here.

1. If you are being bullied or know someone who is being bullied, tell a parent or a teacher. Get help.
2. If any of your friends try to talk you out of telling an adult, don't listen to them; go to an adult.
3. If you are being bullied, tell the bully to stop; and if he/she doesn't listen, walk away! DO NOT ARGUE WITH THEM.
4. If you yourself are a bully, you are not just hurting others mentally, physically, or emotionally, you are also hurting yourself, taking your anger or sadness out on others to make yourself feel good about yourself. This isn't the way. Talk to your parents, a teacher or a counselor about your problems/feelings.

This is an issue that can be solved if handled correctly.

## C.Y.O. TUBING TRIP



The Catholic Youth Organization of St. John BOSCO went on their first tubing trip on February 24th to Spring Mountain. The travelers gave the trip a great review and said they had a blast! When tubers got off their buses, they were amazed! They saw 3 lifts and 2 slides - a "Tubers' Paradise!"

As people got hungry, they had the choice of a hot dog, a hamburger or chicken fingers. After a quick bite they couldn't wait to get back to tubing. Everyone can't wait for the next trip!

By: Casey Leven



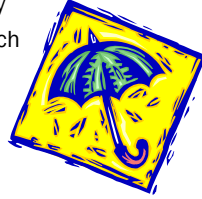
## WELCOME, NEW STAFFERS!

We are happy to welcome to the Bulletin Staff five new "reporters" from Fifth Grade: **Shane Atkinson, Jennifer Baumher, Danielle Hebling, Casey Leven, and Ian Lyons.** Our new group eagerly got right to work researching, interviewing, and writing some great articles! We look forward to many more editions featuring their work!



## March Birthdays

2 <sup>nd</sup> Julia Lebo	15 <sup>th</sup> Brendon Godshall
3 <sup>rd</sup> Collin Murphy	17 <sup>th</sup> Brendan Costello
4 <sup>th</sup> Aislinn Bailey	19 <sup>th</sup> Kayla Rodriguez
8 <sup>th</sup> Shane Atkinson	20 <sup>th</sup> Ashlyn Schmidt
11 <sup>th</sup> Seren Kurt	23 <sup>rd</sup> Charles Obrecht
11 <sup>th</sup> Matthew Ballasy	29 <sup>th</sup> Joseph Casey
11 <sup>th</sup> Maria Williams	29 <sup>th</sup> Shane Bachich
11 <sup>th</sup> Stephen Kasman	



## May Birthdays

3 <sup>rd</sup> Dylan Lamenia	22 <sup>nd</sup> Caitlynn Knowlton
5 <sup>th</sup> Amy Sterling	22 <sup>nd</sup> Ashly Kennedy
10 <sup>th</sup> Bobby Jacob	23 <sup>rd</sup> John Alek
11 <sup>th</sup> Angelo Culbreath	23 <sup>rd</sup> Mark Fossesca
15 <sup>th</sup> Liam Cummins	25 <sup>th</sup> Brogan Murphy
16 <sup>th</sup> Nicole Bachich	31 <sup>st</sup> Michael Casey
22 <sup>nd</sup> Dylan Ruby	31 <sup>st</sup> Matthew Casey



By Nick, Diego, and Evan

# Website & School Trivia!

**DIRECTIONS:** Go to [www.saintjohnbosco.org](http://www.saintjohnbosco.org) and find the answers to these questions:

- 1.) When was Saint John Bosco Parish established? (Year and month)
- 2.) Who was our founding pastor?
- 3-4.) When was the new Church built and who was our pastor during that time?
- 5.) What year was the Kindergarten first established?

**DIRECTIONS:** Find these quotes on the walls of the hallways.

- 6.) "SJB gives you the right \_\_\_\_\_."
- 7.) "Catholic Schools: The Good News in \_\_\_\_\_."
- 8.) "Together we make a \_\_\_\_\_."
- 9.) "Be it known to all who enter here that \_\_\_\_\_ is the reason for this school."



!!!Bonus: (FREE LOLLIPOPI!) What does A.E.D mean?

(HINT: There are two in this school!) Give your answer to Evan Walsh, Gr. 6!