

SS Peter & Paul Catholic School Newsletter

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Carolyn Strong, Principal



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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents and Guardians, Advent is a very special time of year to pray together as we wait for the birth of the Christ child. This past month we have seen so many wonderful events at our school as we move toward Christmas. We participated in the Merry Cary parade and received First Place for our float, fantastic! Our Christmas concert was very festive, and our St. Nick breakfast was a wonderful success. The Christmas Bazaar was outstanding and even Father Trowbridge was wrapping gifts.

As we look into the new year, we will be focusing on Catholic Schools Week. The theme is still Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed. We will be kicking off the week with an Open House on January 27th at our school from 9 AM to Noon. All the children and the teachers will be present in the classrooms doing activities. There will be Drama in the gym, along with food, drink, crafts for the children and paperwork for registration. The whole community is invited to learn

about our school and take a tour. The mass at Marian Central this year will be on Monday the 28th of January. Our 3rd and 6th grades will attend the mass. Parents are also invited to attend. The host school this year will be Saint Margaret Mary. The rest of Catholic Schools Week will be filled with special events every day. Be looking for our flyer the first week we return.

Christmas season Scriptures are full of epiphanies, that is, events that clearly show people realize this Baby Jesus is the promised Messiah. In our homes and churches, we, too, will stand in front of the manger in Bethlehem and gaze in wonder with Mary, Joseph, the angels, the shepherds, and the Magi as we realize this holy child, Jesus, is our God.

The staff of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic School wish each and every family a Very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

Blessings and Peace!
Carolyn Strong

Upcoming Events

- ◆ December 20th Christmas Parties, 10 AM
- ◆ December 20th 11:20 AM Dismissal (with buses)
- ◆ Dec. 21-Jan. 6th Christmas Break
- ◆ January 7th Classes Resume
- ◆ January 10th Peter, Paul, & Parents Mtg., 7:30 PM
- ◆ January 11th Spirit Wear Day



Accelerated Reading Update



Encourage your children to read over Christmas break! **This is a reminder that the last day for AR testing will be Thursday, January 17th.** Each student who achieves his or her quarterly reading goal will receive a no-uniform pass. Students who achieve Point Club based on the following AR points per grade will be given a certificate along with a no-uniform pass. In addition, names of students in Point Clubs will be read during morning announcements, recognized in our school's newsletter, and put on our AR bulletin board in the library. **AR points that students earn accumulate**

throughout the school year in order to achieve Point Club goals. If you have questions about AR, contact Mrs. McDonough or go to her library homepage on the SSPP school website.

AR Point Club

Points accumulate throughout the school year in order to achieve Point Club.

- 1st Grade:** 25 AR points
- 2nd Grade:** 50 AR points
- 3rd Grade:** 75 AR points
- 4th-8th Grade:** 100 AR points

SSPP Wins Trophy from Merry Cary Parade



Look what SSPP won for participating in the Merry Cary Parade – the *Best Christmas Spirit* trophy! The SSPP Church and School were represented by the Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts (with a marvelous “hot chocolate” float),

Knights of Columbus, Drama Club (with a live crèche), and the SSPP school band. Congratulations and thanks to all who participated.

St. Nick Breakfast a Success



The annual St. Nick Breakfast, held on December 9th, was attended by more than 600 people! The event was filled with delicious food, fun crafts, and a

visit by jolly, old St. Nick himself. Many thanks to all the elves who helped, and to the Knights of Columbus for their cooking skills.

Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest



SSPP eighth graders raised \$144 with an Ugly Sweater Contest. The students could be out of uniform and wear ugly Christmas sweaters if they brought in \$1 or more to donate to PADS. Proceeds from the contest will enable

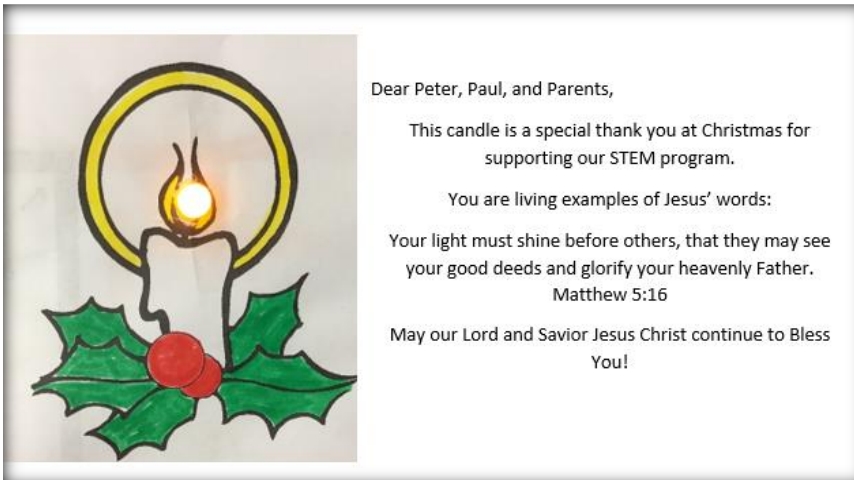
PADS to provide guests with items such as hats, socks, and tee shirts. The students followed St. Francis of Assisi's light and showed that it is in giving we receive!

STEM “Lights” Up the Christmas Season

SSPP’s Kindergarten students had seventh grade students acting as lab assistants recently as they learned how to “give light” to some gingerbread men. Students created a gingerbread man parallel circuit and a gingerbread series circuit.



Students in fifth grade created a paper circuit card to thank Peter, Paul, and Parents for taking the lead to support of the STEM program.



Read to Succeed Program

SSPP students who are 13 years old or younger are invited to participate in the Six Flags Great America Read to Succeed program in order to earn a free ticket to Great America. Students must log 6 hours or 360 minutes of reading by Friday, February 22nd.

Reading logs are available from classroom teachers or [Mrs. McDonough’s website](#). Upon completion, logs need to be returned to classroom teachers by the February 22nd deadline.



Chess Wizards Coming to SSPP



Chess Wizards is a premier chess education company providing fun, informative and challenging chess lessons to students. Chess Wizards teaches children many important life concepts, such as learning the ability to win graciously and accept defeat with dignity and sportsmanship.

Students will be divided into groups according to their chess experience. At the end of this session, each student will have had the chance to participate in a mini-chess tournament. *Register online at www.ChessWizards.com*
Questions? Call 866.949.438

Edge Middle School Ministry News

EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Movie Marathon!

FRIDAY, JAN. 4, 2019
10:30AM-3:00PM--
SSPP SCHOOL GYM

Join us for a day of popcorn, games, pizza lunch movies and a whole lot of fun! BYOCC--bring your own comfy chair!! And a blanket or pillow, whatever you need to get comfy!

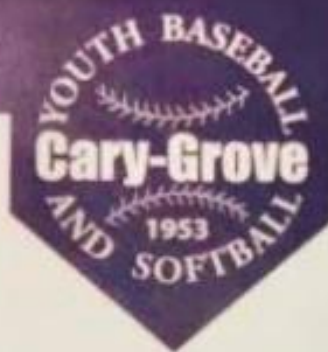
All 6th, 7th and 8th graders are welcome!!
Hope to see you there!!



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2019 Registration

**N60 Part-Time
Travel Registration
Deadline
12/31/18**

Co-ed T-Ball: Stallion/Fillies (5-6 years) --

**New Age Cut-off: CGYBS T-Ball players must be 5 yrs by September 1st.



Softball (By Grade Level)

- Muppet (1st - 2nd Grade)
- Midget (3rd - 4th Grade)
- Minor (5th - 6th Grade)
- Major (7th - 8th Grade)
- 16U (16 or younger as of 1/1/19)



Baseball (Age by May 1st)

- Pinto (7-8 years)
- Mustang (9-10 years)
- Bronco (11-12 years)
- Pony (13-14 years)
- Colt (15-19 years)

**Online Registration
Begins
December 5th!**

Visit
www.CGYBS.org
for more information
and registration detail!

2019 Registration Fees

- T-Ball League \$85
- Colt & Senior Leagues \$150
- All Other Leagues \$255

Early-Bird Special!
\$215 through January 31, 2019

Cary-Grove Youth Baseball and Softball is proud to be
a member of CHARACTER COUNTS and is
a not-for-profit organization.

Non-School Sponsored Activity

BUILD FRIENDSHIPS

WHILE WORKING AS A TEAM... BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, HAVE FUN!





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SPRING REC REGISTRATION 2019!

AGE TAILORED PROGRAMS : CARY SOCCER EXCELLENCE

Program details & registration

www.carysoccer.org/spring2019rec



PRE-K TO H.S. PROGRAMS
BEGIN IN APRIL

+ **REVAMPED U8 PROGRAM** +
+ **SKILLS SESSIONS FOR REC PLAYERS** +
WITH CSA COACHING STAFF

Available to Rec players U10, U12 and U14 at NO additional cost.

- ♦ **Early Bird fees apply through January 15th (10% off)**
- ♦ **Late fees start February 16th. Late fee is \$25**

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NON- SCHOOL SPONSORED ACTIVITY