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under the patronage of Blessed Mary Angela

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God made you and God made me, He made the world for us to see. God loves you and long ago, He sent his Son to tell us so.

Jesus showed us many things, To love and share and dance and sing. To learn and pray, to help and care, He promised he'd always be there.

He died but then came back to life, Let's celebrate for he's alive!

Amen.

Many of you receive tuition help through a Second Century Scholarship. Enclosed in this packet is a letter about this Scholarship and how businesses can earn tax credits to help families at NCCS with tuition. To spread the word about our scholarship fund, share the <u>flyer</u> enclosed in this packet with your employer and area businesses.





Math Madness runs through April 16th. Parents of students in grades 5-8 please keep encouraging the extra practice.

Congratulations!!!!



On Saturday, March 5, our Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science students participated in the Regional PJAS meet under the direction of Miss Nancy Dumm and Mrs. Michelle Amigh. All students – Molly Krumenacker, Maggie Kwisnek, Colton Dumm and Andrew Amsdell received a First Place and will compete in the State Competition on May 16 at Penn State Main Campus in State College. Molly Krumenacker received a perfect score and Maggie Kwisnek received a special judges award for presentation and methodology.

On Monday, March 14, our Forensics team under the direction of Mrs. Kimberly Zedack and Mrs. Deb Machutta participated in the Prince Gallitzin Quadrant meet. Out of 28 possible places, NCCS students placed in 14. Winners are:

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Poetry
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1st Place – Evan Amigh – Basketball Is My Favorite Sport, Sports, Basketball and Ode To Basketball

2nd Place – Savannah Smorto – *The Journey of Success*

3rd Place – Scotty Semelsberger – *The Graduation Speech*

4th Place – Kylie Kirsch - *Homework*

Informative

1st Place – Nathan Farabaugh – *Poaching*

2nd Place – Dominic Lessard – *ISIS Attacks in Paris*

3rd Place – Gracie Kirkpatrick – *The Holocaust*

Impromptu

2nd Place – Colton Dumm

Persuasive

1st Place – Molly Krumenacker – Why the NFL Neds To Do More To Prevent Concussions

Drama

1st Place – Allison Moriconi – My Trip To The State Penn

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1st Place – Shyana Burger – *Tacky the Penguin*

2nd Place – John Weiland – *The Book With No Pictures*

3rd Place – Nathan Dumm – *Reaching Out To A Stranger*

Duo-Drama

1st Place – Maggie Kwisnek & Olivia Mason – *The Ditzies*

On Wednesday, March 23, those students who placed competed in the Diocesan Forensics meet and competed against schools from the diocese. Out of 14 students, 7 students placed. Winners are:

Poetry

3rd Place – Scotty Semelsberger

Informative

1st Place – Nathan Farabaugh

4th Place – Gracie Kirkpatrick

5th Place – Dominic Lessard

Persuasive

1st Place – Molly Krumenacker

Duo-Drama

1st Place – Maggie Kwisnek & Olivia Mason

Honor Roll

<u>Grade 8</u> High Honors

Joey Bernard Maggie Kwisnek Scotty Semelsberger Honors

Sarah Clawson Hunter Dumm Jaclynn Dumm Martin Kirsch Max Kline Casey Mervine Daniel Nealen Valarie Nealen Lauren Sichko Jake Zazvrskey

Grade 7

High Honors

Nathan Farabaugh Molly Krumenacker

Grade 6

High Honors

Evan Amigh Nathan Dumm Ethan Miller Allison Moriconi Savannah Smorto

Grade 5 High Honors

Thomas Bernard
Ashton Courvina
David Farabaugh
Hannah Farabaugh
Kaitlyn Ludwig
Zachary Onkst

Honors

Emma Farabaugh Olivia Farabaugh Gracie Kirkpatrick Dominic Lessard Olivia Mason Nicholas Weber

Honors

Shyana Burger John Weiland

Honors

James Dumm Brandon McCombie Ayden Smorto Jadyn Strittmatter Blake Weber Students at NCCS will be having a Spring Music Festival this year on Friday, April 29, 2016.

Please keep that date open for your child's participation in this school activity. We will have the pleasure of having Dan & Galla return this year to instruct our students during the week at school and perform at the musical. Students are asked to dress as they did in the 50's 60s time period; Boys – jeans, slicked back hair, t-shirts and sneakers Girls – skirts (poodle skirts encouraged), or capris, button down sweaters, scarves and ponytails. This event will be open to the public and will be a great time for everyone!

The event will be held this year at the Northern Cambria Elementary Middle School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

PFS is requesting **baskets to be donated** to be chanced off at the Spring Music Festival. If you are able to provide a basket please call the school office at 948-8900 or Denise Blickenderfer at 951 - 5950.

NCCS students will be collecting can tabs again in the Fall. Please save your tabs over the summer for an early September Contest.



INTERSCHOLASTIC READING COMPETITION

The Elementary Reading Competition will be held on Wednesday, April 6 at Forest Hills Middle School. Mrs. Cramer, Mrs. M. Farabaugh and the students have been hard at work - GOOD LUCK!!! Students representing NCCS are: Shyana Burger, Ethan

Miller, Allison Moriconi, Savannah Smorto, Tommy Bernard, Ashton Courvina, David Farabaugh, Hannah Farabaugh, Katie Ludwig, Zachary Onkst, Jadyn Strittnatter, Makayla Stephens and David Weinzierl.

IOWA Testing

IOWA Assessments will be administered from April 11 – 19 in grades 2-7 – please note change - as long as the tests arrive on time. Due to the lack of a budget in PA, there was a question as to whether we would be able to give these important tests. Parents please make sure that your students are well rested and have eaten a good breakfast before the tests. Encourage your students to do their best, but not be overly anxious about these tests.



- April 1, 2016 AC Moore Altoona Fundraiser
- April 3, 2016 Hoss's Ebensburg Fundraiser
- April 8, 2016 ALL Spring Pictures or Money are due in the office
- **APRIL 19, 2016 OOPS!!!!** Omitted from the calendar was the PFS meeting. It will be held at 6:30 in the conference room at the St. Nicholas Community Center.
- April 20, 2016 K-4 will visit the Circus at the Jaffa Mosque in Altoona. Please remember to pack a lunch no glass bottles and paper/plastic bags are recommended. Dress for the day is casual, appropriate school length shorts may be worn. ONLY SNEAKERS may be worn, absolutely no sandals or backless shoes. No tank tops or spaghetti strap tops, t-shirts are best. It may be cool in the building, keep that in mind.
- April 21, 2016 5-8 **DRESS FROM LINCOLN CAVERNS** The caverns are a constant 52 degrees year round. Students should dress accordingly. A sweatshirt or light jacket is a must for the tour. The caves are active (damp). Jeans and comfortable walking shoes with good treads (SNEAKERS) are **required**. There is a short walk outside to and from the caverns. If it is raining: raincoats or ponchos are suggested.
- April 22, 2016 NCCS students will participate in our 1st annual Scholastic Stroll. More details will be given.
- May 4, 2016 PFS will be honoring our teachers with a Teacher Appreciation Dinner. **Volunteers are needed** to watch the classrooms from 12:00 1:00. Please call Denise Blickenderfer at 951-5950 if you are available.
- May 6, 2016 NCCS Olympic Theme Picnic.
- May 13, 2016 NCCS Awards Banquet
- May 17, 2016 Kindergarten Graduation and 7th and 8th Grade Class Trip
- May 18, 2016 8th Grade Graduation
- May 20, 2016 Pre School Graduation and Kindergarten Class of 2016-17 Orientation
- May 23, 2016 Last Day of Classes at NCCS Parent Pick-up at 10:00 a.m.