



Dear Parents,

I would like to wish you and your family a very blessed and happy Easter from our staff at John Paul II. As we progressed through the Lenten season, our children were given the opportunity to learn so much about our Catholic faith and how important sacrifice and prayer is to help prepare for the joyous time of Easter. Thank you so much for your support during this learning time!

I would like to inform our sixth grade parents that their children will be attending a sixth grade retreat at Broomtree Retreat Center on Friday, April 23. Parents are certainly invited to attend and share this day with their children. The bus will leave at 8:00AM and we will return to the school at approximately 4:30 or 5:00PM. Mr. Ken Novak will be leading this retreat focusing on the Holy Eucharist. Father Larry will be joining us and will offer the sacrament of Reconciliation and end our day with a Mass. Please watch the Parent Packet for more information or call the office if you are interested in joining us for this special day. Our goal is that this sixth grade retreat will become an annual event for our students as they prepare to leave John Paul II School.

One final reminder about our upcoming Easter break...There will be no school beginning on Good Friday, April 2, through Thursday, April 8. We **will** have school on **Friday, April 9** and celebrate our school Mass at our regular 9:00am time. Please call the school if you have any questions.

**Schedule for Thursday, April 1 – Friday, April 16**

Friday, April 2	Good Friday, No School
Sunday, April 4	Happy Easter!
April 5- April 8	<b>No School</b>
Friday, April 9	School Mass, 9:00am – Staff will prepare liturgy, Uniforms – no shorts
Sunday, April 11	Children’s Choir, Holy Spirit Church, 9:00am ( <b>This is a change from the school calendar</b> )
	SCRIP sold at Holy Spirit after all Masses
Monday, April 12	Modern Woodman Speech Contest, 12:30pm, 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> graders
	<b>PTO Meeting, April 12, 7:00pm in Art and Science Room – VERY important meeting dealing with next year’s officers and school plans. Please attend!</b>
Tuesday, April 13	
Wednesday, April 14	John Paul II School Pre-registration with deposit due to office for K-6 for 2010-2011 school year.
	Show Choir (5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> ) performs at Brady, 1:15pm
Thursday, April 15	Ed Committee Meeting, 6:30pm in the Teacher’s Lounge
Friday, April 16	School Mass, 9:00am, 3R, 6H
	Wessington Springs Music Contest, Show Choir, leave 1:15 PM.

Thank you so much for all you do!  
Michelle Ommen, Principal