From the Desk of Ms. Miller:

We have gotten the final approval to implement eLearning days moving forward. Information along with the policy and procedures will be coming home in next week’s Communication Envelope. As outlined in the last Newsletter, our practice eLearning day on December 19th went well. If your child is sick on an eLearning day, please email me at jmiller@queenofpeace.cc and I will mark it as an excused absence. Make-up work in this case will follow the policy as outlined in our Parent/Student Handbook for following an illness.

Tomorrow is the final day of the second quarter of the school year. Please take time this evening to check PowerSchool and urge your children to complete any make-up work. Report Cards will be sent home next Friday, January 18th with your students.

Now that we have gotten some snow I want to remind you of our recess procedures during winter. Please remember that in order for students to be able to play on the playground when there is snow on the ground, they must have snowpants and boots. I ask that you send their “snow gear” in a reusable bag that can be brought back and forth to school each day. The reason for this is so that students can bring their gear home to dry overnight, as our lockers are not conducive to hanging gear to dry as well as not being big enough to store it properly overnight. Reusable shopping bags such as the ones you get at Martin’s are a great size because they fit well on top of the lockers. We also recommend gloves, hats, and scarves. All students will go outside as long as the temperature is above 20 degrees with the windchill. If they do not have “snow gear” they will be expected to play on the blacktop.

We only need three more individuals to register for our 18/19 Ski Club. We have to have 10 participants. If you are not sure of the details, please reach out to me via email and I will be happy to answer any questions. Go to this link to fill out a Google Form to register up to 5 people from your family for Ski Club.

If you have any questions before you register, don’t hesitate to email Ms. Miller. There is also a place in the form to sign up to be considered as one of the co-sponsors for the club. There will be a lottery for this position. The co-sponsor will be the second point person for Swiss to contact in the case of an emergency with one of the student skiers or in the event of a change to our skiing schedule. Parents are expected to take their child(ren) to Swiss on the evening of ski club. Carpooling is encouraged. As with last year’s ski club, we will be requesting Thursday evenings as our club night again. We need a minimum of 10 participants to be considered our own Ski Club. This can include parents who sign up as part of our ski club. I highly recommend the lessons even for non-beginners. They are free and fabulous!

We are gearing up for Catholic Schools Week at the end of this month. Please mark your calendars now for the Open House on Sunday, January 27th. We will have a family Mass during the 9:30am Mass that day with Open House to follow. We ask that students wear their Mass uniforms. We would also like students to help give tours to prospective families. If you are willing to give tours or volunteer to help in any way, please contact me and I will communicate more information to you.

We have had little response for our Middle School Discover Days. Sign-ups were sent home before Christmas Break. Please encourage your students to sign-up to explore in demand Careers. Sessions are from 3:30-4:45 1/15, 2/12, 3/13, 4/16, 5/14. Please contact the school office if your student would like to sign up or send in the form.
SAVE THE DATE

The Class of 2019 will have a Bingo Night to benefit their Washington D.C. trip. Saturday, January 26, 2019. Doors open at 6:30pm. Bingo starts at 7pm. Pre-Sale boards/forms are attached to this newsletter.

HASA

Welcome back from holiday break, your regularly scheduled programming will now resume! HASA Meeting tonight at 6:30 in the school commons, please come and find out about all that we have to offer in 2019. We have a number of exciting events coming up over the next month, one change in the calendar will be to the annual Mother/son event originally scheduled for 1/20/2019 will be rescheduled. When we get the new date we will

QUEEN OF PEACE BLOOD DRIVE

The Queen of Peace Knights of Columbus Council is sponsoring a Blood Drive on February 9, 2019 from 9am to 1pm in the West parking lot of the Church. This Blood Drive is through the South Bend Medical Foundation so all that is donated stays in our area and each donation has the potential to save three lives. Please consider signing up to donate by going to the South Bend Medical Foundations website and clicking on Give Blood Now, then Locate a Blood Drive, then enter Knights of Columbus #8617 and select the date of 2-9-2019 then click on Schedule for the time you want. If you would rather not do it online you can call 574-234-1157 and tell them you want to donate at our Blood Drive or you can sign up at the table in the Gathering Space at Queen of Peace.

Thank you for considering this,
Queen of Peace Knights of Columbus Council 8617

The Knights of Columbus Ava Maria Council 5521 is hosting our Free Throw Championship for the schools in our area.

The event is this Saturday, January 12th, 2018 from 2pm-4pm at Mishawaka Catholic School’s St. Joseph Campus Gym. Boys & Girls ages 9-14 can sign up (Birth Certificate required)

Any questions contact me. Ryan Grill, Free Throw Championship Chairman Ryangrill@gmail.com- www.KoiC5521.org

CHANGE FOR LIFE COLLECTION

Get your loose change ready for Tuesday, January 22nd. We will be doing our annual Change collection for the Women’s Care Center Information will be in our next Communication Envelope.

ENROLLMENT FOR 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

The enrollment process for next year will begin in just a few short weeks. In order to make this process more efficient for parents and administrators, the following enhancements have been made:

An official enrollment packet will be sent home in January instead of March. We will no longer be using the pre-enrollment form that "holds your spot" as this contains much of the same information as the official enrollment forms.

Registration fees will not be collected when the forms are returned. All registration fees will be billed to your FACTS account on February 28, 2019. Please contact me if you need to make a different payment arrangement for payment of registration fees. Do not allow payment of registration fees to deter you from submitting your registration forms.

Enrollment packets to be sent home on January 17th. Please be prompt in completing your paperwork and returning it to Queen of Peace no later than Wednesday, January 23rd to ensure your spot for next year. Any available seats will be offered to prospective students beginning at the open house on Sunday, January 27th.

Watch next week’s communication envelope for more information regarding the process for applying for financial aid and the renewal of your FACTS Management accounts for next school year. As always, please contact me directly with any questions you may have at 574-255-9674 x124 or via email lhaverty@queenofpeace.cc.
DATE: Saturday 1/26/2019
TIME: 7:00-8:30 ish p.m. (Doors open at 6:30)
PLACE: Queen of Peace Gym

➢ BINGO packets $5.00 each
  o 8 games in each Bingo packet (prepaid packets include extra board)
  o You can also pay at the door
➢ PRIZES: $10.00 gift card or scrip of choice
➢ Pizza, Soda, Chips, Candy & Water for sale while supplies last

Invite your friends & family
Join in on an evening of fun and fellowship.

(All proceeds will help fund the 2019 Washington DC Trip)
Questions? Contact Kim Ornat at 574.315.8987

If interested in prepaying, please complete and return form on or before Wednesday, 01/16/2019
Prepaid packets can be collected upon your arrival that evening.

PREPAY BINGO

Name: ________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________

# of Packets: _____________________________

Total Enclosed: ___________________________

Please make checks payable to: Queen of Peace