Dress Down Days...
Dress Down Day for Catholic Charities Friday, October 4

On Friday, October 4, students may dress down for a $1.00 donation for Catholic Charities! Bring your dollar in to school that day if you are dressing down.

Dress down days generally take place the first Friday of the month, unless preempted by another event: check this corner of the Cougar News weekly to find out when the next dress down day is!

Thank you for your generosity!

Lunch Monitors: we’re counting on you!

If you signed up to monitor lunches on your Registration Form, it’s very important that you look at the Hot Lunch Menu to see when you are scheduled, and that you come in to monitor. We need the children supervised during their lunch periods, and you are providing that supervision.

If you know you cannot attend as scheduled, please contact Lunchroom Manager Mrs. Christine Barnas at your earliest convenience (her phone ext. is 334).

Click on the Lunch Program tab at the top of our website’s homepage and then on the lunch menu to see when you’re scheduled.

Submissions to Cougar News:
The Cougar News is sent out each MONDAY. E-mail your contributions to: Mrs. Kathy Sutter
ksutter@nativityofmaryschool.org
Deadline for Cougar News articles is each Friday at 2 PM!

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Follow us at: @NBVMSchool
for the latest updates

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Facebook Page, listed as Nativity of Mary School

GO, BILLS!
Second grade shows their Bills Spirit on our Bills Dress Down Day 9/20!

Ten things about Nativity of Mary to know RIGHT NOW!

1) If you are a parent of a 1st—4th grader, plan to attend Parent Night on September 26th. The meeting time is 6 PM. After an initial greeting in the Gym, parents will spend 1/2 hour in 2 different classrooms from 6:30—7 and 7-7:30. Refreshments will be available in the cafeteria until 8 PM. If you have never linked your TOPS Bonus Card to the Tops in Education site, bring it with you — representatives from TOPS will be present to help you link your card. PreK and Kindergarten parents are welcome to attend the initial half-hour welcome meeting, presented by the Home School Association.

2) Very important messages regarding required physicals and health screenings can be found on pages 5-6 of this week’s Cougar News. PLEASE READ. Thanks!

3) OUR CANDY BAR SALE HAS BROUGHT IN $5724, of which about $2862 is profit: Please send in a note, email Kathy Sutter or visit the Advancement Office (across from the door in the Main Office) if you need more chocolate. Please do not take candy without signing it out. If we sell an average of two boxes per family, we will make our fundraising goal! Flyers for prize info: page 10-11.

4) Thursday morning, 9/26, around 8:15, the Gala Committee will be in the cafeteria preparing the Gala invitation packets. If you would like to help stuff materials for this important fundraiser, please come on Thursday—many hands make light work!

5) Mrs. O’Brien’s Fourth Grade is collecting items for Blessing Bags for the homeless. Please see the attachment on page 9 which tells you all the items you can send in, and try to support this wonderful and worthwhile service project.

6) GYM UNIFORMS ORDERED THROUGH LAUX: Laux had a printing press go down, which is why our order has been held up. We expect it later this week.

7) Choir meets Tuesdays at 8 AM, and is open to 1st through 8th grade. They may feel free to attend! Choir also sings at 9:30 at church on 3rd Sunday of month.

8) The OCTOBER 4 Early Dismissal means that parents of our bused and afterschool pick-up students need to plan to see their children 15 minutes earlier. It does not affect Kids Club, which will run until 5:30 as usual.

9) PLEASE TEXT THE WORD YES to 67587—this will enroll you to receive text messages for the coming year. PLEASE TEXT Mrs. Sutter BACK the words “got it!” if you have not already done so, so that we know you are receiving school communications.

10) NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY: Teacher Regional Professional Development.

HSA Board for the 2019-2020 School Year:
Todd Spear, President (spear0891@hotmail.com)
Heather Schieder, Vice President (heatherschieder@gmail.com)
Jen Kilmer, Secretary (jkilmer6481@gmail.com)
Drew Dorn, Fundraising Coordinator (drew.dorn@ensolconsortium.com)

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**Parent Night Part 2!**

Nativity of Mary School will be hosting its annual PARENT NIGHT on September 26th at 6 PM, for parents of 1st – 4th graders. The evening is designed to give parents a chance to find out what our school has planned for the upcoming year, and to visit with teachers to learn about their curriculum and classroom expectations.

Both evenings will begin with a brief welcome session sponsored by our HSA in the gym. After opening prayer, parents will find out about new events planned for the year, and be welcomed by our principal, Dr. Robert Cluckey, and other members of the leadership of our school. We also encourage our younger parents (PreK 3—Kindergarten) to attend the welcome session, if they were not able to attend on the 19th.

Following the welcome, parents will depart for their child’s classroom to meet and greet the teachers. Parents will go to their child’s classroom from 6:30 PM—7 PM, to meet with their child’s primary teacher. They will spend a half hour in their child’s room. A second session will begin at 7 PM–7:30 PM. Parents can use this time to visit a sibling’s teacher or a specials teacher. Parents can then go to the cafeteria for refreshments.

Parents will be able to sign up for a conference with a teacher if there is a concern that needs to be dealt with in a more in-depth and private setting.

Offertory of the Mass, 9/19/2019 School Mass.

**IMPORTANT DATES AT NATIVITY OF MARY SCHOOL:**

**SEPTEMBER:**
- 9/26: Parent Night (Grades 1 – 4), 6 PM
- 9/27: Regional Professional Development Day—No School
- 9/28: Fall Fiesta and Gala Gift Giving Party—Grades K, 1, 2

**OCTOBER:**
- 10/3: September Virtues Awards before Mass (8:45)
- 10/4: Emergency Drill—dismissal 15 minutes early. Kids’ Club runs until 5:30 PM as normally scheduled.
- 10/4: Chiavetta’a Chicken Barbecue to benefit 8th Grade: see pg. 8.

For a printable Sept.—Nov. Calendar, see page 4)

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DID YOU KNOW: YOUR TUITION pays about 60% of what it costs to educate your child at Nativity. An additional 25% comes from the parish. An additional 15% comes from the fundraisers that the HSA hosts. HSA provides essentials, not extras. Your involvement with HSA make a difference to your child’s school, education and faith.

HELP WANTED: CRAFT SHOW: If you can organize things and you want to support our CHRISTMAS MARKETPLACE (Dec. 7), please contact Kari Ogilvie at kakslp@hotmail.com. Kari, who has chaired the event for several years, finds she can’t do it at this time, and needs someone to work as chairperson—she will help behind the scenes. FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE and MOTHER/SON EVENING: Jen Greene is looking for a co-chair! If you can help, contact Jen at greeneplumbing@roadrunner.com. (Events are in Feb./March.)

GIFT CARD NEWS (See our flyer, page 7)

Who wants FREE Dress Down Passes!? The first quarter has started and runs through Nov 30th. Order and pay for at least $300 of gift cards during this quarter; your KR-8 children will receive DD passes. Your family and friends can order through you too!

- The store hours are Tuesdays & Fridays, 8:30am-Noon (in Pre-K Wing) and Sundays 8:30am-Noon (main church entrance-after masses).
- Gift cards will also be available for purchase Thursday night at Parent Night/HSA meeting.
- Check out the "Gift Cards" page on the school website for more information on this fundraiser!
- Volunteer Opportunity - Looking for a few people to sell gift cards during the school year, Tuesday or Friday mornings. If you can help out, please email sales@nativitygiftcards.com.

Thank for your support!
Judith Bergman
and the Nativity Gift Card Team

Home School Association is seeking a parent, a parent couple or a couple of parents to plan and organize TRUNK OR TREAT NITE, October 25th in the evening. It’s a great way for younger parents to get involved and it’s a wonderful evening of fun for the kids and their families! Contact HSA president Todd Spear if you would like to help!

Nativity Gala
Friday, November 8th, 7—11 PM
Samuel’s Grande Manor * 8750 Main Street
Your presence will make it a GRANDE evening!
Want to help? Come stuff Invitation Envelopes on Thursday, Sept. 26th at 8:15 AM.

Check out these easy ways to support your school with what you already do:

- Our UNITED WAY Donor’s Choice # is 3872—put your UW Dollars to work for Nativity!
- Turn in your Dash’s Receipts We get $25 for each $1000 of receipts turned in!) and your pre-cut BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION! Or enroll online and do this electronically with your receipt!
- Visit the TOPS website and link your Bonus Card to Nativity School! (TOPS will also be here at parent nights to help people link their cards.)
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2019-2020 School Calendar

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OCTOBER:
10/3:  Virtue Awards before Mass (8:45 AM)
10/4:  Emergency Drill Date: 15 minutes early dismissal
10/11: No School: Principal’s Holiday!
10/14: No School: Columbus Day
10/16: Speaker Night for Parents: “Roots and Wings”
       Sally Yager, Buffalo Council for the Prevention of
       Alcohol and Substance Abuse, 7 PM, Gym
10/16-18: Fall Book Fair
10/25:  Trunk or Treat, evening event
10/25:  LAST DAY OF CANDY BAR SALE
10/29:  Kids Auction (in-school event for the kids!)
10/31:  Halloween-wear a costume!

NOVEMBER:
11/1:  All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation): School Mass
11/1:  Letters of Intent/Re-Registration forms come out for
       2020-2021 school year: Check the backpacks!
11/5:  Picture Retake Day
11/7:  Virtue Awards before Mass (8:45 AM)
11/8:  Nativity GALA!
11/11: No School: Veteran’s Day
11/12: Pre-K-Kindergarten Open House, 5:30 – 7:30 PM
11/13: Pre-K-Kindergarten Open House, 9 – 11 AM
11/14: Home School Association Parent Meeting
11/27-29: Thanksgiving Recess

Last Updated: 9-23-2019
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As of July 1, 2018 New York State law requires a health exam for all students entering the school district for the first time and when entering Pre-K, Kindergarten Readiness, K, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th grade.

The examination must be completed by a New York State licensed Doctors Office and preferred on the approved NYS Education Department Health Exam Form. This form is available on the school web page. Click About; Staff; Hana Muller.

- A copy must be provided to the school within 30 days of the start of school when your child starts Pre-K, Kindergarten Readiness, Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, & 11th grades.
- New regulations in vision and hearing screenings will be required within 6 months of admission to school and in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11. Scoliosis screenings will be required for girls in grades 5 and 7 and for boys in grade 9.

We suggest you always make copies of the completed forms for your own records before sending them to the school health office. Forms may also be faxed to the number below.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hana Muller, RN

Office Number 633-1531

Office Fax 626-1637
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary School

September 23, 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The district’s School Health Services program supports your student’s academic success by promoting health in the school setting. One way that we provide care for your student is by performing the health screenings as mandated by the State of New York.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision
- Distance acuity and near vision for all newly entering students and students in Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7 and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing
- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7 and 11.

Scoliosis
- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for girls in grades 5 and 7 and for boys in grade 9.

Health Appraisals
- A physical examination including Body Mass Index and Weight Status Category Information is required for all newly entering students and students in Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11

Dental Certificates
- A dental certificate is requested for all newly entering students and students in Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.

A letter will be sent home if there are any findings on the screening done at school that would cause concern or need medical follow-up. Please call the school’s Health Office if you have any questions or concerns.

School Nurse: Hana Muller, RN
Phone #: 716-633-1531
Fax: 716-626-1637

School: NBVM School
Email: hmuller@clarenceschools.org
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Chicken Dinner Fundraiser!

Friday, October 4, 2019
4 PM – 7 PM
at
Nativity of Mary School
8550 Main Street
Williamsville, NY 14221
(corner of Main St. and Harris Hill Rd.)

Pre-Sale Tickets $10
(available at the school or Sundays after Mass)

At the Door: $12

DRIVE-THRU service available for take-out in front school parking lot!

To Benefit Nativity of Mary School 8th Grade Trip!
DEADLINE FOR DONATIONS

OCTOBER 10!

September 6, 2019

Dear Parents,

Each year, fourth grade students participate in a service project. This year in religion, we will be discussing the importance of treating others the way Jesus would. In an effort to be more like Jesus, the fourth graders will be collecting items so we can put together blessing bags for the homeless. Examples of items we will be collecting are:

- Toothbrushes/toothpaste
- Hats
- Gloves
- Socks
- Deodorant
- Hand sanitizer
- Chapstick
- Brush/comb
- Baby wipes
- Candy bars
- Cough drops
- Peanut butter
- Plastic utensils
- Small packages of tissues
- Rain poncho
- Granola bars
- Small shampoo & conditioner
- Crackers with peanut butter or cheese

If you wish to participate, items can be dropped off in the fourth-grade room or sent in with your child. We will be collecting from Monday, September 9th until Friday, October 10th. After items have been collected, I will put the bags together for distribution.

Thank you and God Bless!

Mrs. O’Brien and the Fourth Grade Class
CANDY SALE

GOAL TO PROFIT: $7000
(we keep 50% of each box sold)

Candy Bars are $1.00 each!

We are starting by asking each FAMILY to sell ONE box of candy bars. When you sell that box, bring in your money and take a second box. We will allow you to sign out more than one box AFTER you sell your first box and return the payment. Once you take boxes, you must return payment to get MORE boxes. BOXES CANNOT BE RETURNED TO THE CHOCOLATE COMPANY so we will be keeping our order as lean as possible. You can return unopened boxes to the school and we will try to send them out with other families. You cannot return OPENED boxes. We will meet our financial goal if each family sells TWO boxes of chocolate bars.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Jankowski at 716-983-9549.

CANDY SALE ENDS OCTOBER 25th

PRIZES:

The first CLASS to have each person sell two boxes will earn dress-down passes!

Mid-way thru there will be a drawing for a VIP tour of Fowler’s Chocolates.

ALL FAMILIES who sell their first box of chocolate will be entered into a drawing to receive a $100 gift certificate to a local bike store.

The top seller will get a $300 gift certificate to a local bike store. (In the event of a tie, one name will be drawn.)

Highest selling class (average number of boxes per person) will receive dress down passes!
RACE FOR THE PRIZES!

Percentage of Families in Each Class
Who Have Sold Their First Box of Candy

NOTE: if you have multiple children, the box gets counted for each class.

The first class in PK3AM, PK3PM or PK4 to have each family sell a box and reach 100% will receive a special treat for the entire class.
The first class in KReadiness-8 to have each family sell a box and reach 100% will receive Dress Down Passes for the whole class.

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Remember, there will be special prizes for the mid-point top selling families (determined on or around October 1\textsuperscript{st}) and the final top selling individual families. (Candy Sale ends October 25\textsuperscript{th}.)
Dear Parents,

We are looking for basketball coaches or team helpers to volunteer their time to coach for grades:

3-4 (co-ed), 5-6 (girls), 7-8 (girls)

The winter season runs from November 1st to March 7th.

If you are interested please contact Mrs. Cornwell at ext. 628 or email at jcornwell@nativityofmaryschool.org

Please keep in mind that sport teams are only possible if we have volunteers.

Thank you.

-Jean Cornwell
NBVM Basketball Signup
2019-2020

September 19, 2019
Dear Parents:

If your son/daughter is interested in playing basketball this year for Nativity in grades; K-8, please sign them up by Friday, October 18th. Team rosters will fill up fast, please turn in this signup sheet as soon as possible before a team becomes full.

- **The fee for this year is $50 per child.**

*Please send cash or check payable to NATIVITY OF MARY SCHOOL. Please return all payments to Athletic Director.*

In order to participate, all players need;

- **A current physical** (physical expires 1 year from the date of the physical from the previous school year)

Please complete this form and the medical form(s) and return it with payment to Athletic Director.

Child (1) ___________________________ Grade _____ T-shirt size (Youth or Adult) ______
Child (2) ___________________________ Grade _____ T-shirt size (Youth or Adult) ______
Child (3) ___________________________ Grade _____ T-shirt size (Youth or Adult) ______
Child (4) ___________________________ Grade _____ T-shirt size (Youth or Adult) ______

We are looking for Parents to volunteer @ games to help with the following (circle all that apply);

- coaching
- running the clock
- gym set-up
- put chairs away

**Contact Information:**

Parent Name________________________
Phone______________________________
Email______________________________

Did you: (1) fill out the signup sheet____ (2) return with payment____ (3) fill out the medical sheet____

DUE BY: Friday, October 18th
Parent Permission & Medical Release for Sports Participation

Student Name ___________________________ Date __________
SEX: M ______ F ______ DATE OF BIRTH ___________ Current Grade ___________
Name of Parent/Guardian(s) ____________________________________________________________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Cell Phone ____________ Home Phone ____________ Work Phone _______________________________________________________________________

_________________________________________ has my permission to participate in ____________________________
during the school year _______. He/she will be expected to attend all scheduled practices and games. If needed, I understand that my son/daughter is responsible for all equipment/uniforms issued, and if any of the equipment/uniforms issued are not returned in proper condition, I am liable for their replacement value.

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY AND I CANNOT BE REACHED, CALL:
#1: Name_________________________ Phone___________ Relationship________________
#2: Name_________________________ Phone___________ Relationship________________

If I cannot be reached, I give my permission for the coach or a responsible school representative to have my child treated by a physician.

My child has received a medical release to participate in _____________________________ (sport) and he/she has been in good health since, having no accidents or major illnesses.

Please indicate any allergies or health conditions that the coach should be aware of:

____ Diabete  ____ Fracture  ____ Other
____ Epilepsy  ____ Dislocation  ____/kg
____ Seizures  ____ Knee Problems
____ Asthma  ____ Other Joints
____ Hernia  ____ Operations
____ Heart Disease  ____ Lung Disease

Regular medications:
__________________________________________________________________________

Date of last Tetanus shot:

ALLERGIES:
____ Pollen  ____ Insect  ____ Drugs (please list)
____ Food  __________
____ Other  __________

Insurance Carrier_________________________ Policy #________________
Family Physician_________________________ Phone________________

Parent Signature_________________________ Date _______________________

DUE BY: Friday, October 18th
WHERE IS GOD LEADING US?

A Community Conversation

Sponsored by Nativity’s Lay Leadership Council

The Parish Community Needs your INPUT and VISION!

Whether you have been at Nativity for 50 years or 50 days, we invite you to help us all gain a clear direction for Nativity BVM Parish! Parishioners 16 and up are encouraged to join in the conversation.

Choosing from a date and time that works best for your schedule, we ask you to join us in late September/Early October to offer your ideas, concerns, hopes, and fears. On the page opposite this invitation you will find the four questions that will form the basis of the community conversation.

Registration is easy: complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket; or email it to amy@nativityharrishill.org or call Amy at 716-632-8838, ext. 403.

Name(s) ________________________________________________________________

Best way to reach you, either by phone or email ____________________________

Indicate which of the days and times given below would work best for you:

_____ Saturday, September 28, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
_____ Monday, September 30, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
_____ Tuesday, October 1, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
_____ Thursday, October 3, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
_____ Saturday, October 5, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
_____ Monday, October 7, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
_____ Tuesday, October 8, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
_____ Thursday, October 10, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Light refreshments will be offered. If you will need childcare during the session, please let us know a week in advance.
WHERE IS GOD LEADING US?
Questions to Guide the Community Conversation

Feel free to make notes to help you prepare to participate in the community conversation. You can bring your notes to the session you will attend, and can turn them in if you wish. If you are unable to attend a session, you can drop your notes in the collection basket or at the Rectory office, so that your thoughts and ideas will be heard.

1. What’s working for you at Nativity? What keeps you here?

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2. What isn’t working for you at Nativity? What gives you pause?

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3. What changes would you like to see now at Nativity?

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4. Where would you like to see Nativity in five years?

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Unified March & Respect Life Mass

Headed by
The Knights of Columbus / The Pro-Life Office

Mass celebrated by
The Most Reverend Richard J. Malone, Th. D.
Bishop of Buffalo

on
Saturday, October 5, 2019
Mass begins at 9:00 am
at
St. Mark’s Church
401 Woodward Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14214

Following Mass:
We will proceed to the clinic at 2500 Main Street, Buffalo
where we will pray the Rosary together for a peaceful opportunity to pray for the unborn.

40 Days For Life 2019 Campaign’s “Help save Lives in Buffalo”
September 25 - November 3

Join us in PRAYER AND PEACEFUL VIGIL in front of Buffalo Women Services, 2500 Main St. Buffalo, N.Y. 14214. Vigil hours are 7:00 am to 7:00 pm every day and 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Sunday. We join 855 cities in 61 countries in a peaceful, prayerful witness to send a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion. We pray for "the beginning of the end of abortion."

For information: 40daysforlife.com/buffalo or call Dolly Verdi at (716) 868-2049.

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For more information contact the Diocesan Office of Pro-Life Activities at (716) 847-2205
"An Evening of Tolkien"

Presented by Friends of Buffalo Chesterton Academy

St. Gabriel Church
5271 Clinton Street, Elma, NY 14059

September 26, 2019 • 7:00 PM.

Speakers:

Joseph Pearce: "The Catholicism of The Lord of the Rings"
Pearce is the author of "Tolkien: Man and Myth" and "Frodo's Journey."

Kevin O'Brien: "Tolkien: Man and Myth"
O'Brien is the president of Theater of the Word, Inc. and portrayed J.R.R. Tolkien in ETWN's "Tolkien's The Lord of the Rings"

Freewill Offering
Girl Scouts Have S'more Fun

Join the Clarence Girl Scouts as we gear up for another year of fun and adventure! All girls in grades K-12 along with their parents are welcome to join us for s’mores-related fun, activities, and snacks!

Do you have questions about Girl Scouts? Get them answered and talk with some of our troop leaders and volunteers about the difference Girl Scouts can make for you! Girls who register at this event will receive their first Girl Scout fun patch!

Date: Monday, September 23rd 2019

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Location: Clarence Town Park Clubhouse
10405 Main St., Clarence, NY 14031

If you have questions, please contact MeKenzie at: mekenzie.lund@gswny.org or call 888-837-6410

Girl Scouts builds girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.