

January 13, 2010

Mass Dates: Jan. 15th,
 22nd, 29th at 1:15pm

Please Note Change:
 Jan. 14 APTA meeting
 cancelled

**Mon. Jan. 18 NO
 SCHOOL**
 Martin Luther King, Jr.
 Day

**Tues., Jan 19 Height,
 Weight, Vision Screening**
 –Scoliosis screening for
 6th grade

**Wed., Jan. 27 Report
 Cards**

FEBRUARY

Mass Dates: Feb. 5th, 10th,
 17th, & 26th at 1:15

Catholic Schools Week
 Mon., Feb 1st-5th

**Tues., Feb. 9 Pizza Hut
 Night**

**Thurs., Feb. 11 CLO
 Assembly**
 “Pioneers of Flight”

**Fri., Feb. 12 Valentine
 Day Party**



**Mon., Feb. 15 NO
 SCHOOL** President’s Day

Wed., Feb 17
 Ash Wednesday Mass

Sun., Feb 21
 OPEN HOUSE 1-3pm



Chip Strano, Alpha second grader, plays for the Arctic Foxes Mite AA hockey team. Over the Christmas break they competed in the Nutcracker Tournament at Robert Morris University. Chip’s team played four games in four days and they won them all, including the Mite AA Championship game on New Year’s Eve day! Each child was presented with an individual trophy and the team was given the Nutcracker Cup, which has been spending a few days with each player. Chip wanted to bring the Cup to school to share his excitement with his Alpha family. I know it meant a lot to him to bring the Cup to school!

And speaking of hockey....Michael Paul DiMarsico is having a great year!

The North Pittsburgh Wildcats AA lead the PAHL division with a record of 6-1-3. Michael Paul DiMarsico an Alpha 2nd grader is a member of the team and someone who really enjoys hockey. In addition to their impressive start to the PAHL season, the Wildcats also captured the Vipers Tournament title over the Thanksgiving break.



December's Provident People

Anna Niggemyer kindergarten, David Foody 1st grade, Sarah Pritchard 2nd Grade, Justin Phrampus 3rd Grade, Chloe Ditka 4th Grade, Hannah Baranowski 5th Grade (not shown) Anna Luckiewicz 6th Grade, Kaetlyn Conner 7th Grade, Rachel Green 8th Grade

MUSICAL THEATRE IS CLOSED! NO LATE REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED!

Edwards Family

Congratulations to the Edwards family on the birth of their daughter Ashley born January 6. She is the daughter of Bob and Toni Edwards and baby sister of Anna and Allison. Everybody is doing great!

Highlighting Our 8th Grade Students

For the next few months an 8th grade student will be highlighted in the newsletter. The student will write about their interests, their plans after leaving Alpha, and things that might surprise us. We begin with **Mallory Bookser**.

I have been at Alpha since the first grade. My favorite subject has always been **gy**. I play soccer, basketball, and volleyball for Alpha. I love shopping and anything pink! My ideal meal would be chicken fingers, fries and ice cream; lots of ice cream!

I have one sister Megan who graduated from Alpha four years ago and attends Oakland Catholic High School where I plan to enroll. My years at Alpha have been great and I have made many friends and many memories.

SPRING SOCCER SKILL TRAINING 3RD THROUGH 8TH GRADES*

We will be starting "SoccerSkill Training Sessions" on Friday, Jan.22, 2010 at 2:30 pm and 3:20 pm in the Alpha gym. The sessions will consist of two 50 minute programs every Friday through March 26th. Classes consist of 20 kids (3rd-8th grades) per class- a total of 40 students can participate. The La Roche Women's Head Soccer Coach, Miguel Lozano, and his staff will teach the sessions. Cost is \$100 for the 10 training sessions at 50 minutes each. Coach Lozano will also try to schedule additional training at La Roche College without charge. Checks are to be made payable to "La Roche College Soccer". The first 40 registrations will be accepted. If we go over 40 we will try to find additional gym time. Please return the registration form to the office directed to Jack Goodrich. You can also contact Jack at jack@goodlazlaw.com.

SPRING SOCCER SKILL TRAINING

NAME: _____ GRADE _____

PHONE # (H) _____ (C) _____ EMAIL _____

TIME PREFERENCE PLEASE CIRCLE ONE: 2:30 PM OR 3:20 PM

COST: \$100 Please make check out to **La Roche College Soccer**

- If space is available, the sessions will be offered to 2nd grade students.



Geography Bee

On Tuesday, January 12, we were finally able to hold the School Geography Bee. Students in grades 6, 7 and 8 competed in their classrooms to earn the title of Finalist. This was one of the most challenging Geography Bees I have seen. Ten finalists competed in the Final Round. They were Meghan Bayer and Lelah McCarthy from eighth grade; Nathan Smith, Thomas Nash, José Blaszkiewicz and Joseph Paski from seventh grade; and finally, Ian Tilton, Robert Mitchell, Riley McConnell and Jake Litzau from sixth grade. Nathan and Thomas ended up in the Championship Round and needed to go into a Championship Tiebreaker Round. In the end, Nathan knew the correct term for a region of reduced precipitation that occurs on the downwind side of a mountain range- rain shadow.

Nathan will now take a 70 question written test to qualify for the state competition to be held at State College in April. Good luck, Nathan!!

Mrs. Warda

WE NEED
YOU!

Junior Achievement
March 19th, 2010

Dear Parents,

Junior Achievement will be Friday, March 19th, 2010. The program will take place in the morning. In the afternoon we will have the Father's Day Mass and Luncheon.

JA is fun and easy to teach. Please join the team and volunteer! Time spent with your child is priceless and they will love having you here!

Please email me at dbarker@alphaschool.org

[If you have already contacted me, please resend your name. I don't know what happened with my mail folders but I no longer have the contacts.](#)

PLEASE VOLUNTEER! IT IS FUN!!

Thank you,

Denise Barker