

## Catholic Identity

- **Faith formation meetings** with the pastor and CCD coordinators have taken place to review sacramental procedures and calendar important dates. A detailed list of Catholic parent roles and responsibilities was created for both school and CCD families. An effort to create parallel formation programs within the CCD and school has led to open dialogue and a cohesive program. Such programs to be developed: altar server training, advent and Lenten projects, service hours, family mass, school choir participation in Sunday mass, etc.

## Excellence

- The **junior kindergarten** teacher rather abruptly resigned. Quick interviewing has found a potential candidate to work well with the Early Childhood team. Final employment offer is contingent of background and reference checks, which should be completed early August. The new teacher will be given additional help from a seasoned preschool teacher for the first couple weeks of school to assist in the transition and support of the program. Additionally, the first grade teacher and preschool teacher have asked to switch classroom responsibilities this year. Both have early childhood endorsements/Montessori backgrounds. This proposal was accepted.
- The new **parent handbook** was finished, detailing very clearly our policy regarding: Digital Citizenship, student behavior, parent roles, admissions, etc. While there are items that might need further review, it is a solid update that addresses many new concerns and issues that have arisen over the last few years. The handbook will be uploaded to the parent portal.
- The **new faculty handbook, an updated emergency plan and wellness policy** have been written. An updated **technology plan** is also nearing completion. All items will be uploaded and accessible on the portal.
- It was arranged for a current reliable teacher assistant to take on the role of the **Extended Day Coordinator**. She would oversee tutoring, homework rooms, and the coordination of our athletics, Chinese dance, Kung Fu, Guitar, Violin, MadScience, Photography, Art, Chess, etc. within the school.
- **Dr. Meg Carroll of St. Xavier University** has been secured as the keynote speaker for the September's Parent Night. She will talk on our school's RtI and inclusive education .

## Vitality

- Bid work for the masonry project has been received and reviewed. The bids ranged from \$114,000 to \$142,000 from 4 companies, two of which were union and two non-union. After extensive discussion, Masonry Systems, was the company selected to do the work. The architectural company is expected to charge an additional \$10,000.
- Thorton Thomasetti, the architectural firm overseeing the masonry project, asked for an additional fee (\$2500) for unforeseen paperwork and contract detail they needed to do in order to meet the capital project requirements of Archdiocese.

- After a brutal murder in front of the parking lot and Chinatown Museum in mid-July, it was decided that additional cameras needed to be secured to protect the children around the school property. **Security surveillance** company, Vintech, installed 4 additional cameras, including 2 remote stations on the parking lot. We now can view almost the entire 23<sup>rd</sup> street, Princeton to near Wentworth. Access can also be made remotely (through IP address), with a 30-day video retrieval. (Total price \$4500) Additional videos screens were added in the main office.
- **Upcoming Capital Projects – (cont. from June 2010 report)** Railing work is continued and is being completed up through the third floor, starting with the stairways to the first floor (completed in April 2010). The work will be done in stages, until all sections of railings are brought to current code height and safety standards. Current railings make is easy to climb up; and also easy to slip through. Final architect approval with the city is being worked out with regard to emergency signage and exiting on the third floor. Fire doors may need to be added on the third floor. With that, additional bidding with our electrician and to become compliant with city code. We are selecting the material and contractor for this work and hope to have this completed before the end of the summer.
- **Secured Gourmet Gorilla Organic lunch line in addition to Food Service Professionals.** The principal will be working with Gourmet this year to work out free/reduced lunch reimbursements with the state (and anticipated year-long process) so that ALL children will have access to organic lunches.
- **Keep the Rain Out total to date - \$37,989**
- **Current enrollment 267**
- *The School and Family Association Meetings are planning the fall Bazaar (games and outside fun already ordered) & the reunions for our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Chinatown's 100<sup>th</sup>.*