

FROM THE DESK OF





Good afternoon, Cosgriff Tigers!

3 - 1/2 days until Spring Break! We are all feeling it!

The total amount raised for Catholic Relief Services was \$812.21! Only \$292.00 of that was cash! Thank you so much for the donations, the money will help local people in need. I will announce the grade level winner during school announcements tomorrow.

Quick Links:

February Students of the Month
Summer Activities with Judge Memorial
JEC Summer Program
Recess Duty
UFA Scholarship Registration

Catholic Identity



Happy Palm Sunday!

Middle School students will be heading to Juan Diego Catholic High School tomorrow to see the living stations of the cross. This is a beautiful way to start Holy Week and always such a powerful way to witness the Passion of Jesus.

Religion teachers will be focusing on the Triduum this week in class in preparation for Easter. On Thursday, will have a procession to the Altar of the Reposed to see our grass as it has been growing and is a vibrant yellow color. I'm so excited to see it become green for Easter!

Character

Cosgriff students show friendliness in good times and challenging times, when they happily share ideas, feelings, attention, time and belongings. Friendly people show others they are glad to see them by greeting them with a smile, asking about their day and showing interest in who they are. Friendliness also involves acting and speaking with empathy and respect.

Students were chosen by their peers for this month's Virtue of the Month. We will be celebrating these students at Mass on Wednesday. Parents are always wecome!

February Students of the month

Life-Long Learner

We, as parents, are life long learners when it comes to parenting children in this digital age as new digital dangers pop up daily. It takes all of us, as a community to stay vigilant and work together to protect our young people.

Earlier this week, a student alerted her mother of inappropriate activity happening in the Social Hall during drama club. We are very thankful for this brave student who knew the importance of ROAR expectations and alerted us of the problem.

Mr. Humlicek sent an email on Thursday letting families know that Cosgriff has increased the filtering on campus and also blocked the sites specifically. This increase in protection does not filter personal accounts on your personal devices.

We have found that the **Bark app** does a very good job filtering the personal accounts. It's also good practice to use these instances as a way to start a conversation with your children. Please talk at home about the importance of digital citizenship and bringing up issues to a trusted adult when your child feels uncomfortable. It takes a village to raise our children and students... Please continue to alert us of problems as they arise.

If you have additional concerns or would like to talk about this further, please let me know or attend Coffee with the Principal on 4/11.

Civic and Global Responsibility

On Friday, we had a funeral at the parish right about the same time as dismissal. I truly appreciate people waiting in the street for the hearse to leave. The inconvenience was minimal due to your patience!

While traffic was only briefly impacted, I wanted to take the chance to remind our community that there are no left turns allowed during dismissal. Also, if you park in the lot, please wait until the line clears out before turning in. I know this seems to be a petty request, but it makes a huge difference in the traffic line. I appreciate all of the families who continue following our requests and make the good examples!

In amando misericordiam, Ms. Thorne

FINANCIAL AID:

For families with students in Kindergarten - 8th grade requiring financial aid for the 2024-25 school year, please be sure to complete the following steps:

- 1. Apply for the Utah Fits All Scholarship by April 15th. (Click <u>HERE</u> to apply)
- 2. Apply for FACTS Grant & Aid by March 30th (Click <u>HERE</u> to apply)

You MUST submit a Utah Fits All Scholarship application to be considered for FACTS Grant and Aid.



Bee in the know

Important Calendar Dates:

3/24 - Cheer Showcase 4:30

3/26 - Tiger Tuesday - Favorite College Basketball Team or Cosgriff Spirit Dress

3/27 - All School Mass - Virtue Students Recognized

3/28 - 12:15 Dismissal for Holy Thursday - EDP closes at 3:15

3/29 - 4/7 - Spring Break - no school and no EDP

3/30/24 - Deadline for FACTS Grant & Aid Applications

4/8 - Solar Eclipse

4/11 - Coffee with the Principal 8:30 am

4/15/24 - Deadline for Utah Fits All Applications

Father Erik is going to set up his telescope with filter on the playground on 4/8 for the solar eclipse. Parents are welcome to stop by to enjoy this moment with their children. We have a few glasses, but please bring your own if you can.

All calendar dates are on the school calendar. The link is available in the FACTS app.

All Upcoming Social Events can be found on the school website under "Community Events."



Special Message from Ms. Tammie in EDP

March 28, 2024, Holy Thursday, EDP is closing early and will only be available until 3:15 pm Winners of the Read Across America Bookmark Design Contest:

K-2 Category Winner: Adelaide Flaherty, 1st Honorary Mention: Lucas Rokeach, K Quinn Loyola, 1st Lucas Gomm, 2nd

6-8 Category
Winner: Olivia Ross, 7th
Honorary Mention:
Molly Smith, 6th
Grace Jeffreys, 7th
Alexandra Couturier, 7th
Samuel Smith, 8th

3-5 Category
Winner: Kate Lanspa, 5th
Honorary Mention:
Anna Gardner, 3rd
Emie Johncock, 4th
Mae Mastrorocco, 5th

Winners and Honorary
Mentions were able to come
and choose one book from a
selection of new books as a
prize. The three winners will
also have their bookmarks
displayed on a poster next to
the Library.

Please see a message from Mrs. Mancini regarding

Mardi Gras

on the next page...



From the desk of Mrs. Mancini:

Hello Friends and Families of Cosgriff,

Mardi Gras is a little over a month away and we need your help.

All of our events need volunteers to happen, we can't do them without you.

Mardi Gras is a very large undertaking and does not work without our fabulous volunteers, who help plan and run the event. We need more help and are short of the number of volunteers we need to run a successful event.

As you know Mardi Gras is our school's largest annual fundraiser and is a critical component of the school's finances. Tuition does not cover the costs to educate each student which makes fundraising and volunteering necessary in our school. We still need several key volunteer positions filled, there are spots available across a range of areas with many different time commitments.

Areas of volunteer help needed:

- Solicitations
- Picking up donation
- Ad sales
- Sponsorship and table sales
- Wine pull coordinator and volunteers
- Setup/cleanup of the silent auction
- Silent auction kickoff party
- Silent auction helpers (man the silent auction
- during open visit hours)
- Event decorating
- Volunteers for the night of the event (including
- drink ticket sales, check in, live auction runners)

Other ways to help:

- Donate items for our live and silent auction
- Contribute financially to help underwrite auction expenses
- Purchase an Event Sponsorship
- Purchase an advertisement on our Mardi Gras Event Website and in our Event Program
- Host a Party Board
- Attend our fun-filled events
- Purchase Crown Burgers Battle of the Grade Opportunity Drawing Tickets
- Donate to this Year's Raise the Paddle for our Teacher Retention Fun.

Items still needed for the silent and live auction:

- Live auction package, or items to be packaged for live auction
- Silent auction items (gift cards, gift baskets, home goods, art, tickets to sporting events, concerts, plays, comedians, personal services, etc.)
- Party boards

So, if you need volunteer hours or just want to have fun and help in planning a fabulous Sparkle & Shine White Party please contact Kassi Mancini at kmancini@cosgriff.org or 801-541-8329.



Important - Please Read Utah Fits All Scholarship Information

Deadline for Submissions is April 15th!

The Utah Fits All (UFA) Scholarship will begin accepting applications on Wednesday, February 28th for the 2024-25 school year. The UFA Scholarship provides an \$8,000 scholarship to be used towards your annual tuition cost for students in Kindergarten - 12th grade. We are highly encouraging all parents of Cosgriff students to apply for the scholarship.

There is a wide variety of tuition assistance that our families receive through the year, including FACTS Grant & Aid and ACE Scholarship. These will still be available, but in order to be eligible for additional tuition assistance you must apply first for the Utah Fits All Scholarship.

For a list of UFA FAQ: https://www.utaheducationfitsall.org/faqs/

Families will be notified of their Scholarship by April 18, 2024.

If you do not qualify for an UFA Scholarship, we will defer to your FACTS Grant & Aid application. Those applications can be found here: https://online.factsmgt.com/aid



Drop Off and Dismissal Reminders

Parking Lot

- A crosswalk is being striped at the north end of the car line. Everyone must use the crosswalk at all times during drop off and pick up.
- Parents who park for drop off must walk their children to their class line. Students cannot be walking through the parking lot unattended.
- If students are dropped off after 8:15 am, parents must continue using the car line. Car's are not allowed to drive past the car line and up to the building.
- In an effort to keep the line moving smoothly, parents who park at dismissal must wait until the car line has dissipated to exit.
- Between 8:00 am 8:20 am and 3:15 pm 3:30 pm, there are no left turns on 2300 East. Cars who consistently do not have name signs, will park and either walk up for their children or go into the office to get one.

Nevada Street

- Pick up and drop off is only allowed on the west side of the street, along the school curb. Students should not be dropped off across the street and then jaywalk to the building.
- Cars without name signs should go through the parking lot, park and walk into the office to get one.

Redondo

- This is not intended to be a pick up or drop off point for Cosgriff students. All families should be using the parking lot or Nevada Street pick up line as they are supervised and planned out for safety.
- If Redondo is used for pick up or drop off, students must use the crosswalk at Redondo and Nevada to cross the street.
- The Rectory parking lot is not to be used at any time.

Redondo / Nevada Crosswalk

- The crosswalk must be used at all times during pick up and drop off. Students may not cross the street at any other point.
- If parents are parked on side streets, they should remind their children to use the crosswalk and not wave them across the street.
- If students are considered "walkers", walking home or walking off campus, they should use the crosswalks and are considered unsupervised once they leave the school property.