



THE PREMIER VOICE

Believe and Achieve

THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:

G-Day Speaker John O'Leary

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PCG Trivia Night and Family Nights



"I was really inspired hearing Mr. O'Leary speak about how he overcame his obstacles to achieve so much!"

- Morgan Poe,
7th grade

A Word from Head of School, Julie Frugo

Welcome to our newsletter—The Premier Voice! We are excited to be able to add this new way of communicating with our families all the great things happening at PCS. We will be sending out the link for a new edition of this newsletter on the last school day of each month. Each Premier Voice will include information from across the school and from our Parent Community Group. We hope you will enjoy learning more about the amazing things happening for your children every day at PCS!

Speaking of amazing—PCS hosted motivational speaker John O'Leary during our G-day this month. John shared his story of inspiration with our parents, staff and students and showed how it is possible to overcome great adversity and achieve personal success. You can learn more about John's story by visiting www.risingabove.com. After hearing him speak many of us have decided to participate in his free 21-day challenge called "Spark!" which you can also learn about on his website. John's message of perseverance and how every kindness can make a difference is sure to inspire you as well.

So please read on about the latest PCS happenings and here's to hoping that Spring is just around the corner!

Warmly,
Julie Frugo



Important Dates

February 28th: Talent Show at 7pm

March 6th: Kindergarten Musical at 7pm

March 13th: Half Day of School

March 14-23rd: Spring Break

March 28th: Field Day/G-Day

March 14th: No School

March 27th: Family Night

April 5th: Trivia Night



School News

Elementary School

The Elementary School has so much happening right now—as always, we continue to do all we can to help our students to be their best. As you may know, we have focused this year on the idea of “Filling the Bucket” of those around us. Filling someone’s bucket means to do something caring for them and, in turn, we fill our own bucket because we feel good about our act of kindness. In order to celebrate how many acts of kindness take place every day in our school, we have an Elementary school-wide bucket outside our cafeteria and each time a student is seen doing something caring, they are given a ball to add to the bucket. We are happy to report that we are on our third filling of this bucket!



Building on the idea of doing nice things for others, there are many service learning projects happening in our K-5 classrooms: 2nd grade students collected canned goods to donate to

a local food pantry, 3rd grade students participated in a community walk to help clean up the neighborhoods surrounding PCS and our 4th grade students ran a collection and donation campaign for self-care items that were then donated to The St. Patrick’s Center.

We are so proud of all the great character based and academic growth our Elementary kids are showing!

Middle School

The overall theme of the middle school this year has been Opportunity. We have encouraged our students to begin thinking more and more about their future and what opportunities they want to have. To that end, we have been having assemblies on G Days during which the topic of opportunity is discussed in a variety of ways, such as the value of a college education and foregoing instant gratification for more reward in the future. We hope that this message is making an impact on our students, and we will continue to stress the importance of how a quality education coupled with a solid character will lead our students to great things in the future. Upcoming events in the Middle School:

- Middle School Trip individual fundraiser **March 3-24th**
- Conferences: Wed., **March 12** and Thurs., **March 13**, look for letters coming home the first week of March with times
- Middle School Dance: Friday, **April 4th**

TLC Activity: This past month our TLC classes focused on the importance of service learning, specifically the Shoeman Water Project. PCS students collected and bagged donated shoes and clothing and were then invited to tour the Shoeman Water Project facility in Fenton, Missouri. Students enjoyed their visit and learned about how the donated shoes and clothing from the PCS family will aid in the production of well drilling rigs, water purification systems and hand pump repairs in Haiti, Kenya, and South America.



Parking Lot Safety Reminders

- Please remember not to double park outside the fence on Sublette as it is unsafe and blocks traffic.
- Please remember to drive slowly through the parking lot! Many students and faculty are crossing.

Parent Community Group Announcements for PCS Families

TRIVIA NIGHT: This Annual event will be held on **Saturday, April 5th at 7pm** at the Police Hall on Hampton. The cost is \$200 for a table of 8, and space is limited so reserve your spot now! See [website](#) for more details. We are also still looking for donations and people to volunteer. Please contact Terry Brogan tbrogan@lashlybaer.com for volunteering and a donation letter to distribute.

FAMILY NIGHTS: The next Family Night will be on **March 27th** at the Burger King on Hampton. Upcoming Family Nights will be **April 23rd** at Happy Joes and **May 30th** for the End of Year Celebration.

SPRING FUNDRAISER: We will kick off the fundraiser with Auntie Anne’s Pretzels and Personalized Tumblers. Packets will be sent home in the beginning of March.

The Premier Charter School will provide the children of the City of St. Louis an individualized education rich in academics and character, so the children we serve today can be the leaders of tomorrow.