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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Did You Remember?

If you had a change of address and/or phone number, did you notify the office?

Feb. 4—Progress Reports

Feb. 9, 16, & 23—May Fest Post Office Days

Feb. 10, 17, & 24—Mass at VC. Please join us.

Feb. 12—ACT

Feb. 23—School Board Mtg.

The VC Tradition

Mission -Vermilion Catholic actively engages students in the educational process, which is rooted in learning and serving Christ in the Catholic tradition.

We often talk about the *Catholic Tradition* but rarely do we really elucidate what is that tradition. We know that there are *Hallmarks of a Catholic School* they are: to proclaim the Gospel message, to build a community of believers, to promote prayer and worship, and to teach service in the name of Jesus. These hallmarks define our *Catholic Identity*. These hallmarks exist always in the context of a deep commitment to academic excellence.

This Catholic Identity is the heart of the Catholic tradition. This tradition is an amalgam of the contributions of numerous religious orders that have founded and run schools in the State of Louisiana and the United States. These orders imprinted on their schools the charism of that order. Those of us who currently serve in our schools carry on those traditions and bear the imprint of those charisms and, in turn, we have passed them on to the next generation. For example, I have either attended or worked in schools from the following orders: Christian Brothers, School Sisters of Notre Dame, Franciscans, Benedictines, Sisters of Mercy, Franciscan Sis-

ters of Perpetual Adoration, Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Sisters of Humility, Dominicans, Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, Viatorians, Felicians, Sisters of Mount Carmel and the Jesuits. Our schools are a synergy of the enormous and profound contributions by these orders to the past, present, and future of Catholic Schools. This combined with the commitment of our parish to support and the promotion the faith through the Catholic High School creates a dynamic force for the future of our school. So when we speak of the Catholic Tradition we are referring to the long history of educating our young in the Faith of the Roman Catholic Church.

This month we honored St. Elizabeth Seton, American and Patron Saint of American Catholic Schools and St John Neumann, Bishop of Philadelphia and creator of the Diocesan Catholic School System. These two are part of that charism that is imprinted on all of our Catholic Schools This charism is in part responsible for the rich tradition of Catholic education in Abbeville. It is why Vermilion Catholic is *One Faith, One Family, One School* in which *All are Welcome*.

On Eagles Wings,
Joseph Steepleton
Principal, Vermilion Catholic

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FROM GUIDANCE

SENIORS: Many of you have already applied to several universities and various scholarships. If you have not already begun the application process, you should start immediately! Stop by the Counselor's office if you have any questions regarding the application process!

ACT		
Test date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline
February 12	January 7	January 21
April 9	March 4	March 18
June 11	May 6	May 20

Register online at www.actstudent.org

TOPS & College Information

Eligibility Requirements:

Opportunity Award tuition	2.50	Core GPA	20	ACT
Performance Award tuition + \$400	3.00	Core GPA	23	ACT
Honors Award tuition + \$800	3.00	Core GPA	27	ACT

In order to qualify for TOPS, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form for the school year 2011-2012 must be completed. It is preferable to apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov, but you may obtain a paper copy by calling the Office of Student Financial Assistance at (800) 259-5626, ext. 1012. The priority deadline for TOPS is May 1, 2011. You may begin applying now through July 1, 2011. **The April ACT test date is the last date accepted by TOPS to earn a full award.**

Study Skills

At this time of year, many students feel as though they can coast with their school work for a while. This is a VERY dangerous habit to fall in to, as they may dig themselves into a hole so deep that they can not climb out. In order to be successful students should be using some type of planner to keep track of assignments, completing & turning in all assignments, and reviewing class notes daily. Making a habit of doing those three things will aid a student's success! Also, do not forget that we have after school tutoring Monday through Thursday until 3:30. All students are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Scholarships

- Boardwalk Pipeline Scholarship** **Deadline: 2/15/11**
- ◆ \$1,000 Award
 - ◆ 3.0
 - ◆ Attend a 4 year college full time
 - ◆ Apply online: <http://sms.scholarshipamerica.org/boardwalkpipelinepartners/>
- KFC Colonels Scholar** **Deadline: 2/9/11**
- ◆ Up to \$20,000
 - ◆ Seniors/2.75 GPA
 - ◆ Apply online at www.kfcscholars.org
- Best Buy @ 15 Scholarship Program** **Deadline: 2/15/11**
- ◆ 9-12th graders involved in service projects
 - ◆ \$1,500 award
 - ◆ Apply online at www.bestbuy.com/scholarships
- Louisiana Farm Bureau Scholarships** **Deadline: 2/25/11**
- ◆ \$1,500
 - ◆ 2.5 GPA
 - ◆ Available to seniors who plan on majoring in an agricultural related field
 - ◆ See Ms. Kayla for an application or go to www.lfbf.org/lfb-foundation/
- JonCade Thomas Clemons Schol.** **Deadline: 2/28/11**
- ◆ \$3000 = \$750/semester
 - ◆ 2.5 GPA, attending a Louisiana University
 - ◆ Apply online at www.joncadedclemonsmemorial.com
- LA Rural Water Assoc. Scholarship** **Deadline: 3/1/11**
- ◆ Reside in LRWA district
 - ◆ Plans to pursue degree in water field
 - ◆ \$2,000

Many other scholarships can be located on the VC website or at www.fastweb.com, www.scholarships.com and many other online scholarship databases.

FROM DEVELOPMENT

The second half of the school year is running smoothly. We are just as busy as the beginning of the school year. I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and they are ready for the second half of the 2010-2011 school year. Thanks to all of the parents that continue to help with the various activities at our school. Your work does not go unnoticed and it is greatly appreciated.

May Festival parent work schedules will be going out soon. It is now time to order May Festival t-shirts. The first order of t-shirts is due on Friday, February 11th.



Vermilion Catholic announced the winners of the Eagle of the Month Award for the month of December. Pictured left to right are the winners Baron Andrus (12th), Matt Wilson (10th), Tyler Lege (9th), & Jena Landry (11th). The Eagle of the Month Award is given each month to a student in each grade level. The students are given this award for their enthusiasm and effort in and out of the classroom, satisfactory academic record, and school spirit.

On Sunday, December 27th the Vermilion Catholic Yuletide Annual Alumni Basketball games were held. The alumni had fun as they once again ran up and down the courts in the VC Gym. For the girls' game the white team won with a score of 51 points over the maroon team with a score of 43 points. Pictured are the alumni that participated in the game (left to right) top Row: Blaire Nelms, Hollie Nelms, Brandy Broussard, Sydney Broussard, Monique Nelms and Kim David. Bottom row: Tina Broussard, Hannah Theriot, Brooke Broussard & Emily Trahan.



Once again the white team won the game for the boys' game as they scored 65 points over the maroon team who scored 51 points. Pictured are the alumni that participated in the boys' game. (left to right) front Row: Adam Desormeaux, Garth Mitchell, Dustin Bertrand, Brock Broussard & Rick Faul. Back Row: Paul Faulk, Leon Veal, Daniel Meaux, Nick Meaux & William Meaux.



On January 20th & 21st thirty-two Beta Club members from Vermilion Catholic High School attended the State Beta Convention held in Baton Rouge. The Beta Club at Vermilion Catholic consists of 43 student members with a GPA of 3.5 and above. Trey Toups placed third in the French Competition and Vermilion Catholic placed second in the wreath competition. Pictured above are members of the club that attended the convention and pictured with the winning Beta wreath are (left to right) Leslie LaCour, Valerie Robichaux & Amy Williams.



FROM DEVELOPMENT (CONT)

The PE classes have been enjoying crab ball. It is like volleyball except you play in a crablike position on the floor. Pictured are students having fun playing during PE class.



Pictured are Ana Leah Tribaldos and Aimee Duhon.

Ms. Tara Landry's Algebra classes enjoyed a game of Fantasy Football to help with their Algebra lessons. Pictured are winners from each class.



Pictured: Katie Frith, Emily Husband, Kaylee White, Cree Floyd, Emma Noel, & Alyssa Mouton



Pictured: Wes Meaux, Hunter Orgeron, & Kyle Zenon



Pictured: Connor Menard, Trey Ryder, Brennan Gallet, Gabby Leger, & Drake Broussard

EAGLE OF THE MONTH—JANUARY

Senior: Amanda LeBlanc

Junior: Leslie LaCour

Sophomore : Haley Jordan

Freshmen : Claire David

Nominees

- Alexander Dartez
- Creighton Broussard
- Jansen Trahan
- Kasie Luquette
- Logan Broussard
- Matthew Repp
- O'Shea Mouton
- Taylor Meaux
- Tyler Laperouse

Nominees

- Amy Williams
- Andrew Bernard
- Bailey Richard
- Ben Primeaux
- Kori David
- Macade Husband
- Mikhyla Campbell
- Nicole Bengtson

Nominees

- Dustin Dereoun
- Hayden Ryder
- Katie Meaux
- Kyrie Collins
- Lauren Duhon
- Natalie Camel
- Reid Broussard
- Sloan Trahan

Nominees

- Abby McRee
- Andre Bertrand
- Danielle Laperouse
- Drake Broussard
- Kaylee White
- Layne Schlabach
- Lucas Hebert
- Marena Dubois
- Wes Meaux

FROM THEOLOGY

The 2011 Theology Fair was held on January 27th and 28th at Vermilion Catholic. Categories for each grade level included:

Freshmen – Apologetics
 Sophomores – Morality
 Juniors – Church Models
 Seniors – Vocations

Theology Fair Winners 2011



FRESHMEN

1ST - # 11 Katie Frith
 2nd - # 6 – Wes Meaux and Conner Menard
 3rd - # 8 – Andrea Delhommer and Lyle Winch

HONORABLE MENTIONS

2 – Claire David and Ellen Langlinais
 # 13 – Danielle Laperouse and Danielle Dubois

SOPHOMORES

1ST – 6 B – Hailey Jordan and Hannah LeBlanc
 2nd – 4 A – Joey Faulk, Nick Hollier and Quinton Wilkin-
 son
 3rd – 7 B – Rebecca Sagrera and Tyler Fredrick

HONORABLE MENTION

2 A – Natalie Camel and Lauren Duhon

JUNIORS:

1ST – #2 - Trey Touns, Courtney Nash, Josh Wilson, Re-
 becca Young
 2nd – # 13 - Jena Landry, Angelle Laperouse, Mark LaPorte
 3rd – # 3 - Mia LeBouef, Regan David, Ben Primeaux

TIED Honorable Mention:

5 - Ryan Domingue, Markie Suire, Michelle
 #11 – Macade Husband, Christian Off, Reiss Hebert

SENIORS:

TIED For First Place:

1ST - # 7 – Darsha Patel, Amanda LeBlanc,
 Abby Langlinais, Matthew Darr

1st - # 6 – Jansen Trahan, Baron Andrus, Tyler Laperouse
 2nd - # 8 – Kasie Luquette, Halie Winch, Jeane Derouen

TIED For Third Place:

3rd # 11 – Matthew Repp, Alexander Dartez, Andre Noel
 3rd - # 4 – Hunter LeBleu, Marcel Rogers, O'Shea Mouton

FROM THE BASEBALL TEAM

Between the Lines

It's finally here! Baseball season is upon us. It seems like ages since that last out was made at St. Eds. Although a bitter taste is always a tough way to end your season, it turns into a positive heading into this year. Players, coaches, and parents alike are eager to get the season kicked off.


After a few late additions brings our total roster to 27 players. We have 29 Varsity games scheduled. This includes 3 tournaments and 10 district games. We kick the season off on February 24th when we host 7 teams in our annual tournament. The field includes Erath, Kaplan, North Vermilion, False River, Delhi Charter, Westminster, and Cedar Creek. After that we will take our annual trip to Monroe to face off against Menard, Bunkie, Mangham, and Oak Grove.

A big thank you goes out to all the parents who have so selflessly given to this program over the past few weeks. Two successful workdays have once again created a Vermilion Catholic playing field that is second to none in this area. That does not happen without the work of so many parents who volunteered their time and much more to accomplish this goal. The program is forever grateful and appreciative of what you do.



February 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
		1	2	3	4	5	
			Catholic Schools Week				
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
			May Fest Post Office \$4	7:40 Mass @ VC	May Fest Raffle goes out ---Boys Conf. Retreat---	ACT	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
			May Fest Post Office \$4	7:40 Mass @ VC 1 pm Fr. Melancon-jr	MCE 6th retreat— Campus Ministry out		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
			MayFest Post Office \$4 6 pm School Board Mtg	7:40 Mass @ VC	6th -St. Cecilia – Campus Ministry out		
27							
			For additional information please log on to our web site: vermillioncatholic.com				



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