



ELEMENTARY EXPRESS



February 7 -20, 2020



Happy Valentine's Day!

Eagle Pride!

This past Friday, 25 courageous Plymouth Christian Academy students competed in the annual Association of Christian Schools International Spelling Bee! We are extremely proud of all the students who participated, studied and gave the competition their all. Their dedication, perseverance, and courage are inspiring traits we applaud in all of these young people.

These are the students who placed in their individual bees: Nathaniel Ro (1st Grade) 1st Place, Joshua Burns (2nd Grade) 1st place; Crosby Edwards (2nd Grade) 4th place; Tonya Tohme (5th Grade) 2nd place; Taneesh Sebastian (6th Grade) 1st place; Grace Jurecko (6th Grade) 3rd place; Priscilla Fernandes (7th Grade) 2nd place; Tre LoPiccolo (8th Grade) 2nd place; Ben Holt (8th Grade) 4th place. We are so PROUD!

Fifth through eighth grade students who place in their individual bees go on to compete in a Final Spell-Off to determine the top five students, out of 16, to go Regionals in Indiana. We had two PCA students take 3rd and 5th place in the Finals! Congratulations to Tonya Tohme (3rd place) and Priscilla Fernandes (5th place). Please pray for Tonya and Priscilla as they travel to Indiana Wesleyan University on Friday, March 27, 2020 to compete at the Regional Bee against 50 other students in the Mid-America Region.

You're Invited! Grandparents and Special Persons Day 2020!

Grandparents & Special Persons Day is a time when students (K-12th grade) have the opportunity to invite an important person in their life to spend a morning at school. Please join us on Friday, March 27, 2020, to enjoy a morning tea & coffee and fruit & pastries reception in our Level 100 Elementary Café. Then it's off to the classrooms (elementary) and school tours (secondary), where the real fun begins! The morning will conclude with an elementary chapel assembly, honoring and thanking all the people who influence the lives of our students.

8:15am-9:15am: Tea & Pastries Reception

9:30am-10:00am: Elementary Classroom Visits & Secondary

10:15am-11:00am: Special Elementary Chapel Assembly

We hope to see you there!

PASS during break

Are you interested in keeping your student engaged academically over **Mid-Winter Break**? We can help! Students in 1st – 6th grades may log into their PASS accounts to complete lessons and work toward a reward. If your student logs into PASS, Monday through Friday while on break, they will receive the incentive for participating. On February 21st, we will provide a pizza lunch and dessert, as well as an extra recess as a reward for their hard work. This is an opportunity, not a requirement, but can be a fun way to stay motivated and keep learning.

Popcorn Fridays

Join in the fun on the upcoming Popcorn Friday for just \$1/box!

Elementary parents...fill out the popcorn form and send it in your child's backpack, along with their payment, on Popcorn Friday. Their fresh box will be delivered to their classroom before the end of the day!

Secondary students can buy it in the Activity Center whenever they see the popcorn team there!

Next Popcorn Friday: February 21

PCA Elementary Calendar

FEBRUARY

7 Homecoming Games
2/10-2/14 NO SCHOOL (PK-12) WINTER BREAK
21 Learning to Accept change 5th grade
25 PTF meeting 3:00pm
26 Preschool Conferences-PK in Session
27 No PK-Conferences
28 Continuous Enrollment Deadline
No PK-Conferences
Learning to Accept change 6th grade

Character Trait for the month of February: Trustworthiness

Be honest. Don't deceive, cheat or steal. Be reliable — do what you say you'll do.

Have the courage to do the right thing. Build a good reputation.

Be loyal — stand by your family, friends and country.

2 Corinthians 8:21 "For we aim at what is honorable not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of man." Colossians 3:23 "Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men."



PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THIS YEAR'S HOMECOMING EVENT ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH, 2020. This is one of the premier events of the school year and you won't want to miss it! **Doors open at 5:00 pm.** Come and experience all the evening's festivities beginning at 5:30 pm with the presentation of the Homecoming Court and the crowning of the king and queen. Then cheer our varsity basketball teams on to victory! The girls' tip-off at 6:30 pm against the Everest Collegiate *Mountaineers*. The boys will face the *Wildcats* from Trillium Academy at 8:00 pm. Entry fees will be collected at the gate - \$3 / student and \$5 / adult, or for families of 4 or more / \$15 for all immediate family members. (Family Athletic Passes are not valid for this event.) **GO PCA EAGLES!!**

VARSITY GIRLS BASEKTBALL PLAYS AT LITTLE CAESARS ARENA ON MONDAY, FEB. 10th, 2020! Join us for a great afternoon of PCA basketball when our Varsity girls take on the Trojans of Whitmore Lake HS at **Little Caesars Arena on Monday, February 10, 2020, at 12:45 pm.** Then join us for an exciting evening of Detroit Basketball as the Pistons tip off against the Charlotte Hornets at 7:00 pm. **Exclusive Ticket Pricing** in the Mezzanine - Sections M2 & M3: **Just \$25 per person (\$40 value).** All ticket packages include the PCA/Whitmore Lake game, Pistons game, and postgame free throw shot on the Pistons floor. **Ticket purchases must be made through Matt Windle, Athletic Director, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** Contact Matt Windle at 734-459-3505, Ext. 3198 or email at matt.windle@plymouthchristian.org for more information.

Plymouth Christian Academy, in partnership with parents, educates students from a biblical worldview and equips them for a lifetime of learning, leadership and service.

Dear PCA Parents,

The peak of the cold and flu season is upon us, and we are thankful that winter break is just a few days away. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the practices we have in place to protect our students throughout the year at PCA. We are aware of current health concerns and want you to know that our school takes the health and safety of our school community seriously. The PCA protocol for student health includes the following vital protocols: Proper cleaning of our facilities, handwashing and use of hand sanitizer by our staff & students, and keeping sick students at home until they are cleared to return to school.

As a school, our cleaning company disinfects desks, doors, doorknobs, and hard surfaces on a daily basis. We are also ensuring that there are soap and hand sanitizers in all dispensers and encouraging everyone to remind students about the importance of handwashing.

To prevent widespread flu in the school, we recommend that your child stay home from school if experiencing flu or cold symptoms. To decide whether or not to send your child to school, please consider the following:

A student who has a fever should remain at home until "fever free" for a minimum of 24 hours. A temperature of 100 degrees or higher is a fever. Keeping a sick child at home will minimize the spread of infections and viruses in the classroom. To help prevent the flu and other colds, practice good hygiene habits and remember, "*Life is better with clean hands.*"

Students have plenty of time to wash their hands. Here are the five steps to washing your hands correctly. Follow these five steps every time:

1. **Wet** your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), and apply soap.
2. **Lather** your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
3. **Scrub** your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
4. **Rinse** your hands well under clean, running water.
5. **Dry** your hands using a clean towel or air-dry them.

Please check our website frequently for updates throughout the cold and flu season. We are praying for you and your family's continued health.

Educating For Eternity,

Mrs. Caryn Huntsman





Purple & Gold Day

Every Friday until June 5th



Let's celebrate our school spirit by wearing our school colors (purple & gold) on Fridays through the rest of the school year! Tops may include purple & gold field trip/athletic T-shirts, intramural T-shirts, or purple & gold dress code shirts with dress code pants or shorts.

Regular dress code attire is always welcome.



Elementary Lunch Menu February



MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
Feb 3		Feb 4		Feb 5		Feb 6		Feb 7	
Chicken Nuggets Tater Tots Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Pizza Fruit Veggies Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Hamburger Fries Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Subway Chips Milk	\$4.00	Bosco Sticks Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00
Feb 10		Feb 11		Feb 12		Feb 13		Feb 14	
Winter Break		Winter Break		Winter Break		Winter Break		Winter Break	
Feb 17		Feb 18		Feb 19		Feb 20		Feb 21	
Chicken Sandwich Chips Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Pizza Fruit Veggies Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Pancakes Bacon Fruit Milk	\$4.00	Subway Chips Milk	\$4.00	Macaroni & Cheese Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00
Feb 24		Feb 25		Feb 26		Feb 27		Feb 28	
Spaghetti Garlic Bread Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Pizza Fruit Veggies Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Corn Dog Fries Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Chicken Noodle Soup Roll Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00	Mastaccioli Garlic Bread Fruit Milk Dessert	\$4.00

*** THIS MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE ***



Milk	\$ 0.60	Fruit	\$ 0.75
Juice Box (100%)	\$ 0.60	Salad	\$ 1.00
Water	\$ 0.60	PB & J (Uncrustable)	\$ 1.00
Snacks	\$ 0.60	Yogurt	\$ 0.60

