



News & Notes

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Coming Home Today

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A Message from Mrs. Murphy

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Tomorrow we will celebrate Resurrection-St. Paul School's 90th birthday! You may recall, that 90 days ago, we gathered as a school community at St. Paul's church where we celebrated mass on the grounds where the first school opened in 1922. There is a picture at St. Paul's taken in the early 1940's where the entire school population fit on the front steps of church! While we were there we learned that our first school was actually in an old bank building- complete with vault- which is still present. Monsignor John spoke to us about the commitment and sacrifices our ancestors made to not only maintain a Catholic school,

but also to have the vision and courage to add on and expand the school to the point that they recognized the need to build a new school at our present location. Over the past 90 days, our students have been studying one of the last nine

decades and together with their teachers have put together display tables showing details and artifacts about their decade. Please stop by the main lobby of the school this week and check out the beautiful displays. Tomorrow, at 2:30pm we will all gather in the Church of the Resurrection once again to reminisce and give glory and praise to God for the wonderful gift of our school and pray for its exciting future. We hope you can join us! For over 9 decades, parents have been sending their sons and daughters for a traditional Catholic Education rooted in the Gospel message. While so many things have changed over time, the mission of the school and the financial and personal sacrifices that parents make each day has not.

Peace,
Karen Murphy
Principal

A Message from HSA

We have received a few questions about the Home School Association (HSA) in recent weeks. First, let us explain, the HSA is a parent run organization established to promote a clear understanding of the mutual educational responsibilities of parents and teachers, transmit information between home, school, and the parish, and provide supplemental support to the school. The HSA respects and supports established school policies and procedures set forth by the School Board of Directors. Anyone who has a child currently enrolled at RSPS is a member of the HSA.

The HSA Executive Board is made up of the following elected positions: President, 1st Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer. Details of these positions can be found on the HSA page of the school website. The HSA Board meets one a month. All HSA members are encouraged to attend the meetings. To be qualified to sit on the HSA Board, you must have a child at the school and a working knowledge of your desired position.

Get Involved!

There are many ways to get involved with the HSA. You can volunteer to be on a committee, chair a committee or be a member of the executive board.

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are looking for someone to share the position of Room Parent Coordinator with Laura Williams, who has led this team in the past.

In addition to that position, we are looking for people to chair the following programs: Catholic School's Week, the Children's Winter Event, Dinner for Priests, the Fall Festival/Tailgate, the Gala, Grandparents' Day, and the Trees and Greens Sale.

If you would like to chair any of these events, please contact the 2012-2013 Co-Presidents, Rich Lyons at lyons98@comcast.net or Sue Ellen Grove at sueallengrove@hotmail.com.

Save the Date!

Tonight!

RSPS Night at Shanty Grille

Thurs., May 17

90th Anniversary Celebration
Prayer Service 2:30pm in the Church

Fri., May 18

No School
Professional Day

Tues., May 22

Resurrection Golf Classic

In Our Prayers

For all of those who are sick and are in need of God's healing presence. Especially:

Jean Thomas— grandmother of Makayla Crosby

Lewis Goode

Zachary Lederer

Stew Bode

Steven Drago

Patrick Moore

Raymond Rostkowski— grandfather of Natalie Martinaitis

Eileen Ballenger— mother of Karen Murphy

For those who have died, may God grant them eternal peace. Especially:

William McKean— uncle of Barbara Mansfield

Sister Kathryn Callahan— aunt of Patricia Nugent

Jack Ballenger—uncle of Karen Murphy

Barbara Gregory— great aunt of Charlie Crabtree

Karen Rosenblatt— mother of Andy and Joe, RSPS graduates

Special Thanks

Thank you to our Home and School Association Executive Board for all their help with the family fun night. Special thanks to Karen O'Connell for arranging the Carroll County High School Robotics club for their wonderful presentation before the movie began. We had a great turn out for the last Home and School Association event this year. We would also like to say thank you to Kathleen O'Toole and Rich Lyons for their excellent co-chair leadership as HSA Co-Presidents this past year. While Kathleen will be stepping down, we are pleased that Rich will be staying on another year as the 2012-2013 Co-President with Sue Ellen Grove.

Notable Notes

Farewell Mr. Fanske

Last week we had a chance to say goodbye to Mr. Fanske who is retiring in June after 13 years here at RSPS. You can check out the video of his farewell on our video page that is linked on our home page.

Want to Support RSPS and Meet New People?

If you want to support the school and meet new people, then join us at Veronica Hall's home on Monday, May 21st after drop off to brainstorm ideas for next year's gala and help pick a theme. Don't worry if you don't know Veronica or anyone else who has worked on previous galas, all are welcome to attend the breakfast! Young children are welcome to attend the

breakfast too. The gala is the school's largest fundraiser and we are looking for more ideas on how to improve the event. If you are interested in attending this informal gathering, please RSVP to Veronica Hall at vhall2@verizon.net.

Volunteers Wanted!

Another reminder we are still in need of volunteers to cover lunch and recess tomorrow, Thursday, May 17th. If you are able to volunteer, please follow this link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoA4CAEAE2AA46-rsps>.

Thank you to all of you who have already volunteered. We very much appreciate your help!

A Glimpse in the Classroom

In computer class, 7A and 7B have been channeling their inner architects. Through Google Sketchup (an application which allows users to create in 3D space) both classes imagined and re-imagined learning spaces.

Some students chose to redesign learning spaces we currently have at RSPS, such as a science lab or gymnasium. Other students chose to imagine new learning spaces, such as a student lounge or a rooftop garden.

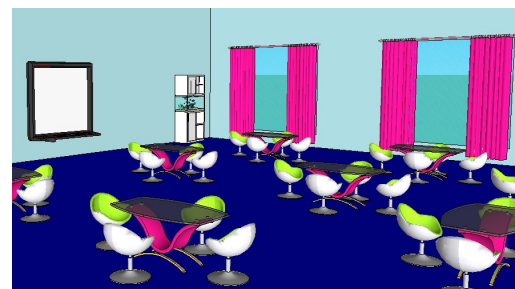


Student Lounge Space—by Connor W

Students interviewed RSPS teachers to learn their thoughts on which parts of their learning spaces work well and which parts could be improved. Students also interviewed teachers on their

"dream" classroom or learning space. After the interviews, students collaborated with others working on similar learning spaces to share notes and ideas.

After completing their projects, students will upload images of their completed designs to ThingLink. ThingLink is a web-based tool which allows users to create and share interactive images.



Mr. Deegan's LA Room - by Alese D