

# COUGAR COURIER

*Bishop Larkin Catholic School*

*June 2017*



“May Jesus Watch Over Us This Summer!”

“Our children are the most important gifts God has entrusted to us. Protect Them.”

## **Summer is here! Thanks be to God.**

“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your request known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” Phil 4:6-7

It is hard to believe that this will be the last Cougar Courier for this school year. It is incredible how time flies when people are having fun. This school year has been fun! Through all the challenges and opportunities that we have been privileged to experience, teachers, administration, staff and students have grown both academically and spiritually.

We thank all the parents of our school family for the privilege of collaborating with you to share both academic knowledge and spiritual growth with your children. We were blessed the whole school year because your children were part of our school family. We particularly thank all our parent volunteers, who shared their time with us for the benefit of all our children. We ask God to reward your generosity and favor you with many blessings.

For all the parents of our graduates and those who are moving out of our area and leaving our school family at the end of this school year; we thank you for your time with us and for entrusting your children to our care. As your children move into high school and other areas we wish them the best of luck and God’s speed. Always remember our school’s bible quote “act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with God” and God’s presence will be constantly felt in your life.

We have enjoyed great success this year, especially with our new building under construction; we look forward to another challenging and exciting year 2017-2018.

Have a fantastic and relaxing time this summer. Be safe, and see you back in August. In the meantime we entrust you into God’s providential care.

## Field of Dreams

We got off to a good start on looking at all possible ways to bring our field of dreams to completion. We have made progress but still have work to do. Thanks to the Campos family who continues to keep this project alive by their dedication in raising funds to complete this dream. We also thank all our families who came out to support this year's Flapjack fundraiser. We appreciate your generosity and will keep you informed of any further progress on this project.

## Summer Activities

Please see the Bishop Larkin Catholic School Website's Home Page for summer reading and projects.



Sometimes you will never know  
the value of a moment until  
it becomes a memory



## Congratulations BLCS Class of 2017 Good Luck in High School

Rosita Maria Barreiro  
Ethan A. Castillo  
Alyssa Michele Higginbotham  
Joseph Jackson Ingargiola  
Christina Marie Kessel  
Ian Michael Leonard  
Adriana Marie Lopez  
Arcadia Lucia Montalvo  
Lauren Mali Nunag  
Justin Brandon Nunag

Daniel E. O'Donnell  
Cassidy Ann Peterson  
Brett Alan Pioszak  
Zane Gerald Robbins  
Michael G. Rosa  
Timothy Zoltan Ruf  
Abigail Makayla Scharber  
Antonina Marie Vaughn  
Timothy F. Walsh, Jr.

*You have completed the goals BLCS set for you; now it is time to set your own goals. Remember this day, the sense of pride and accomplishment that you take from it. Use that to move toward your future goals. The entire BLCS staff sends their blessings and prayers for your future. God Bless!*

## **Kindergarten and Pre- Kindergarten Move-up Ceremony**

Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten Move-Up was held Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> in the East Wing and Media Center. Congratulations to our “Smart Kidos!”

### **Congratulations! May’s Students of the Month Character Trait: Perseverance**

#### **VPK - Jonella Morgan & Preston Strasser**

**Jonella** has worked very hard all year. Whenever she works with Ms. Bastien, she has a positive attitude and shows eagerness to learn. Jonella does not give up and will keep working at something even when she is having difficulty. Way to go, Jonella! Keep persevering and you will go far! **Preston** is extremely eager to learn and understand how things work. He enjoys taking things apart and putting them back together again. This takes lots of patience and perseverance. Preston does not give up. He keeps trying and ultimately reaches his goal.

#### **Kindergarten – Julianna Acquafredda & Lilianna George**

Perseverance means to keep going and never give up, even when things are hard. Two kindergarten students that persevered this year in exceptional ways this year

**Lilianna** started in January in our class. She had to make new friends, meet new teachers and learn all our sight words. She has persevered with a smile on her face! Thank you Lilianna for being an amazing role model. **Juliana** is a great example of perseverance. Juliana set a goal for herself to not cry in the classroom. She found ways to compose and calm herself down. I am so proud of you Juliana! You have persevered and reached your goal!

#### **1<sup>ST</sup> Grade – Giovanni Antonio Basile & Colin Laney**

**Giovanni** has been chosen for the student of the month. Giovanni has shown such wonderful perseverance! When he learns a new concept or skill he does not give up until he understands it. He takes his time and works hard throughout the day. Giovanni is very positive as well! He always has a smile on his face and encourages his others classmates. I am so proud of how much growth you have made this year and feel extremely blessed that I was your teacher! Keep up the good work, Giovanni! **Colin Laney** has also been chosen for the student of the month for perseverance. Colin takes on new challenges in a positive way and has learned how to problem solve. He always thinks before he acts and it shines through in his academics. He is determined to complete his work correctly and to the best of his ability. Colin never gives up and is such a hard worker. I am so proud and blessed that I was your teacher! Great job, Colin!

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Naidalyz Perez & Camryn Scharber**

**Naidalyz** has shown that she has the ability to persevere. At times, she has struggled and has faced difficulties, but she has remained determined to persist and never give up. I reward her for her ability to stand firm and go the distance. She has made progress and has succeeded. Congratulations on persevering and moving forward this school year. It has been an honor and

privilege to be your teacher this school year. You are an amazing young lady who has touched my life in a beautiful way.

When I think of a student who perseveres in every aspect of her life I automatically think of...

**Camryn Scharber!** Cami always goes above and beyond when given a task in class- she wants to do something extra to guide her own learning. Her beautiful spirit of wanting to pursue and learn more is so inspiring and she has motivated other students to work harder and challenge themselves. Cami is a young lady who will always have a driven spirit to work hard and succeed in all she pursues. She has been a student who has impacted my teacher life with her great humor and zest for life. I have truly loved being her teacher and can't wait to hear what accomplishments she will make next year.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Geovana Rosa & Christopher Bell**

**Geovana** is student of the month for showing perseverance. Geovana is a hard working student that approaches obstacles with a determination to succeed. There are times where she doesn't pick up a new concept right away, but she works to improve and persevere. Geovana also accepts guidance in working on her friendships in class and tries hard to repair misunderstandings. I am so proud of your perseverance in all that you do, Geovana. It has been a joy to have you in my class a second time. Thank you for being a good roll model.

**Christopher** is student of the month for showing tremendous perseverance. Christopher is so focused and dedicated in all that he does. He has many friends and is a terrific asset to our class. Christopher approaches obstacles with strength and resolve. He never gives up when something is difficult and is open to new ways to learn information. His classmates and I regard him highly and he is a wonderful roll model. I have loved having you in my class again Christopher and know that you are destined for great things in your life. Thank you for showing others how that they too can persevere as you have!

### **4<sup>th</sup> Grade Terry Pixler & Morgan Montayre**

**Terry** has shown that he is a student who is always persevering throughout the school day. He has made it a great effort to learn and practice the art of writing, from short written responses to big five paragraph essays. He has taken the time to learn exactly what he needs to do and then goes home to practice even more. Even when he is asked, "Is this the best that you can do?" he will more than likely take it back from me and try even harder. Terry has come a long way since the beginning of the year due to hard work and never giving up. Perseverance is a wonderful trait to have that will allow you to accomplish great things in your life. I am honored to have you in my 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. **Morgan** has persevered through many challenging situations. When she's working on her math skills she will continue to try her best and even explain to us the process in which she used to solve the problem. She's really stepped up in her math assignments at home as well. She will choose to spend sometimes an hour at home just working on her MobyMax. She loves learning even when things seem confusing. Morgan enjoys taking on a challenge and feels great accomplishment when she succeeds. She's not afraid to make mistakes but rather she will choose to learn from them. Your friends and I are honored to have you in our 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade -Cameron Joyner and Kylie O'Connell**

**Cameron** is our student of the month for perseverance. He has displayed perseverance this month and this whole year in all subject areas. He works very hard to make sure that all of his assignments are completed on time and he puts forth his best effort without excuses. Through

Cameron's dedication and perseverance, he has consistently improved in all subject areas all year. No matter how big of a project or how much work is involved, Cameron does his best and he has a great, positive attitude about what he is doing. Keep up the good work Cameron! You are a great example of perseverance. **Kylie** is also our student of the month for May for her example of perseverance. Kylie does not give up on getting her work done even if it takes her longer to do than she anticipated. She is also very artistic and when it is a project that involves artwork, she always puts forth her best effort and perseveres through it. Due to her dedication to her art, perseverance is not always easy because she is a perfectionist, so it may take her a while to create what she has in her mind and what will represent her. Kylie's perseverance in her art has inspired others in our class to take their time and put more effort into their own artwork. Thank you Kylie for inspiring us through your perseverance.

### **6<sup>th</sup> grade - Sebastian Campos & Nicholas Raszick**

**Sebastian**, I recall the first weeks of 6<sup>th</sup> grade; the un-describable locker, those books and papers all over the place, the reactions that made me fear that you might give up as you faced the difficulties that came with adjusting to the demands of middle school. But you learned, you grew, you worked hard, and you persevered. Sebastian, I am very proud of the youth you have become. Keep learning and growing. Beyond the sky is your limit. Congratulations. **Nicholas**, when you started middle school, I was so afraid that your backpack will one day crush you as I watched you go home each day with all your books, not wanting to miss or forget anything. Moving from class to class was another story; your classmates, other middle school students and even teachers came to your rescue. The adjustment wasn't easy but cheerfully you worked at it and you persevered. I am very proud of you. Congratulations.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Grade - Lucien Brunelle & Ivan Casamayor**

**Lucien** was chosen for the character trait of perseverance. Lucien is like the little engine that could. He perseveres through work assignments and never gives up. This year Lucien persevered through Science Fair and proudly represented our school at State. As I look back at the school year, Lucien has shown persistence in becoming more organized and on time with assignments. Congratulation Lucien, you have made me very proud! **Ivan** overcame a surgery on his hand, and a cast during our midterms this year. He never once complained, and even took his math midterm early so he wouldn't have to make it up. We all know how hard it must have been to deal with a cast during Christmas break as well. This truly showed Ivan's perseverance, and this carries over into all tasks he takes on in the classroom. Keep up your perseverance Ivan, it will take you so far in your life!

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade – Zane Robbins**

**Zane** has persevered this year many times when he strived to keep going, even when things were tough. He showed perseverance by doing his best in Language Arts and in math. He came to math help even when 8th grade wasn't scheduled to go, in order to ensure his finest work on the final exam. Zane, I am so proud of you as you carry on, attempting your own personal best, no matter what hardships you endure. Thank you for being an example of perseverance to your peers –a true role model to never give up.



## **Groundbreaking Ceremony**

I would like to express my profound gratitude to my office staff, the school choir, Mrs. Barbara Hughes and the baking committee for doing such an amazing job in making our groundbreaking ceremony a huge success. We are grateful to all our guests for their support. Thank you all.

The entire staff would like to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to all the families who helped make this school year so special. A lot of hard work, planning, and enthusiasm went into this year's learning and activities. Thank you for your support! *Parents you are the AWESOME!*



*June and July Birthdays...*

*May God bless our students, faculty and staff that have a June and July birthdays.*