



An e-Newsletter for the Families of Notre Dame Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL ◀

Greetings parents!

This past Friday we welcomed several of our alumnae to celebrate the All Souls Mass. It was a beautiful celebration remembering our deceased loved ones and we were grateful for the time to come together as a community to remember and pray for those we have lost this past year.

On Monday of this week, our Social Studies Department sponsored a mock election. Students took the part of fictional candidates and participated in a debate presenting their issues and platforms to our student body. The student candidates were very impressive in their preparation, poise and candor. Our student debate moderators and members of the press were equally well prepared.

Congratulations to our soccer team who came in second in the state tournament this past weekend. After multiple lightning delays, double overtime, and 2 shoot-outs, their determination and persistence in the game were quite impressive. Our soccer Pandas displayed outstanding sportsmanship in congratulating the winning team before they were even off the field.

Please remember that Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 20 from 2:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. You can schedule these by visiting www.myconferencetime.com/nda. Conference sign up must be completed by Friday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Next Friday, November 16, we will hold the Panda Sleepover. This is an excellent opportunity for eighth-graders to come and experience Notre Dame Academy and meet other students who are considering enrollment for next fall. If you know of an 8th grader who would like to join us for this event, please have them contact Sr. Paul Ann at (859) 292-7736.

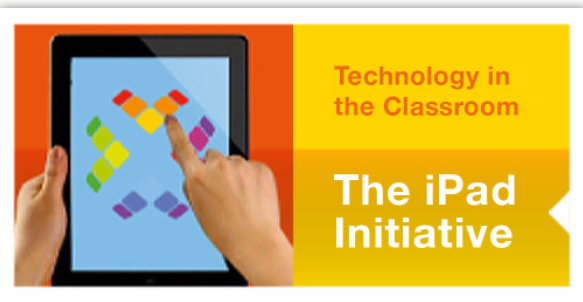
May you know God's goodness each day,

Dr. Laura Koehl

Notre Dame Academy
is built on the
Four Educational Principles
of the Sisters of Notre Dame:



- The centrality of a good and provident God
- The human dignity of each person as an image of God
- The Notre Dame educator as a Gospel witness
- An integrated education for transformation



iPad UPDATE ◀

The majority of our students are using **Notability** for note-taking. This app allows them to organize their notes by date and subject area. It also allows them to download images, photos, documents and other resources that teachers provide them or that the student finds through her own research and study. Once these items are added to their notes, students can anno-

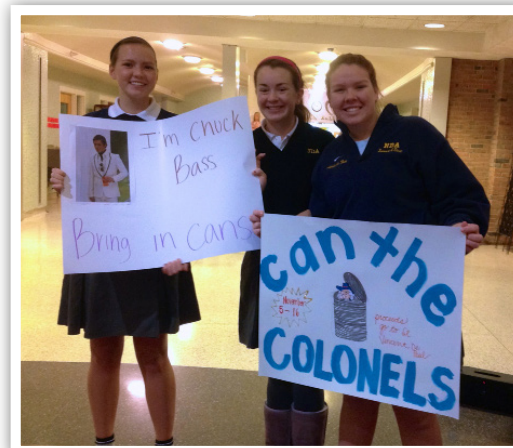


tate them with additional information they are learning. **An important reminder for students** is to sync their iPads with a home computer so that they can back up these documents. Users should never rely on document storage in only one place. This is true for laptops and PC's as well.

NEWS FROM THE STUDENT LIFE OFFICE ◀

Can the Colonels!!

During afternoon announcements today, students from Covington Catholic challenged the Notre Dame Pandas to a canned food drive. Always ready to help others in any way possible, the Pandas readily accepted the challenge and are striving to bring in more items than Covington Catholic! From now until next Friday, November 16, all students are asked to donate non-perishable food items, which will be donated to a local food shelf. Help the Pandas "Can the Colonels" supporting this year's canned food drive!



COUNSELING AND STUDENT SERVICES ◀

Membership Cards for Drug Free Clubs of America will be distributed this week to Freshmen on Monday, Sophomores on Wednesday, Juniors on Thursday, and Seniors on Friday. Students who were drug tested on Friday, November 2nd, will receive their cards within 2 weeks. Only random drug screenings will be conducted from this point forward. Students can use their membership number to login at the [Drug Free Clubs of America](#) website, and begin to enjoy the many rewards for which they are eligible! Contact Mrs. Hildreth with any questions.

8th Grade Girls PANDA SLEEPOVER

8:00 p.m. Friday, Nov. 16 - 7:00 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 17

It's a night full of fun Panda activities plus
pizza, snacks, drinks, breakfast, and a t-shirt!

Registration Form with Parent Signature is **REQUIRED**.
Make sure you register by Nov. 14 to receive your t-shirt!

REGISTRATION FORM AVAILABLE AT:

www.ndapandas.org/admissions/prospective_students

Don't miss this great opportunity to check out Notre Dame Academy!



2012 ANNUAL APPEAL



ADVANCEMENT NEWS ◀

Keep an eye on your mailbox for the Annual Appeal, being sent out this week. The goal for the 2012 Annual Appeal is \$250,000 and we seek the support of our parents, alumnae, and friends to help us reach that goal. The Annual Appeal helps fill the gap between what it costs to educate each of our students and what is generated in tuition. Thank you in advance for your support of this year's appeal.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER NIGHT REMINDER ◀

Our Mother/Daughter Night is this Friday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. at Receptions in Erlanger. Don't forget to email your pictures to [Shari Buckley](#) before Friday. Senior posters are due in the office no later than Friday morning.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK ◀

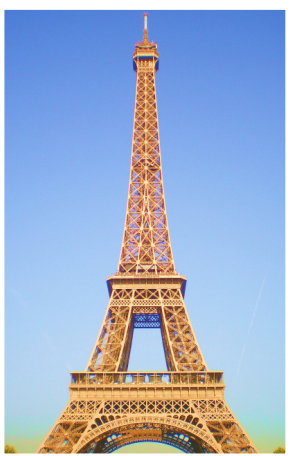


Stay up to date with everything that is happening at NDA on our official Notre Dame Academy Facebook page. It is at [Notre Dame Academy, Park Hills](#). There are many listings for Notre Dame Academy on Facebook so look for our NDA seal to make sure you have our official page. You can also check out our NDA Alumnae page at [Panda Pal, Park Hills, Kentucky](#) to find out what's going on with our NDA Alumnae.



NDA NEW YORK TRIP - MARCH 2013 ◀

It's not too late to sign up for NDA's trip to New York! This four-day cultural and educational excursion will be Thursday, March 7 through Sunday, March 10. All grade levels are welcome. The trip is being coordinated through World Stride and the total cost is \$2016.00. For more information contact [Lisa Heiert](#).



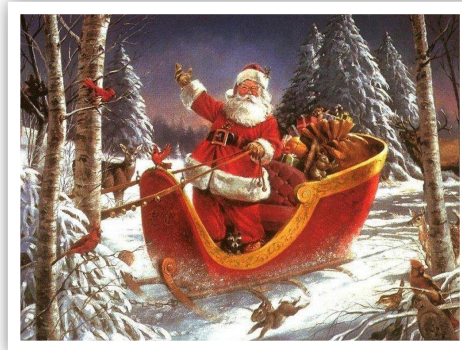
NDA FRANCE TRIP - JUNE 2013 ◀

The meeting concerning this summer's trip to France, scheduled for this Thursday, November 8, is postponed. Our local travel agent has been working very hard with an international agency to put together the best itinerary for the best price. Unfortunately, this international travel agency is located in New York City, and their operations were halted due to hurricane Sandy.

When the details have been finalized, an announcement will be made to the students, as well as in the Panda Press Weekly, and packets with the itinerary and the registration form will be available in the school office. The meeting for parents and students, which is not mandatory, will be rescheduled. Please contact Mrs. Greife at greifem@ndapan-das.org if you have any questions.

THEATRE NEWS ◀

Mark your calendars! NDA's Christmas Children's Theatre production of "A Seussified Christmas Carol" will be Saturday, December 1, at 10:00 a.m. and Sunday, December 2, at 2:00 p.m. It is the much loved story of Scrooge and the Christmas Ghosts told in the rhyming sequence a la Dr. Seuss, with the village and characters resembling more of a "Who-ville" type village than the traditional Dicken's English town. The performances will be followed by a visit with St. Nick and cookies and hot coca with the cast!



DISH ROOM NEWS ◀



Hello Dish Room Volunteers!

The following dates are available: Nov. 9, 20, 26, 28, 30 & Dec. 3, 4, 5, 7. If you could help NDA on any of those days, we would be extremely grateful!

For those of you who have not signed up yet, we're using VolunteerSpot to help us organize the volunteers for NDA's dish room. Please arrive at 10:45 and plan to be finished no later than 12:30. After you are finished, you can enjoy a complimentary lunch! Please click on this link [CAFETERIA SIGN-UP](#) to see open dates and sign up to help... once a week, once or twice a month...you can even sign up for a particular day of each month for the rest of the year - the calendar has been set up thru the end of the school year.

ADULT BEGINNING GROUP PIANO AT NDA'S PIANO LAB ◀

Have you always wanted to learn how to play piano? Did you take lessons as a child but can't remember much more than Middle C? This class is for you! We will cover the basics of making music – note reading, chord patterns, and proper technique – in a relaxed, fun, and learning-filled environment.

Course content includes:

- Finger numbers, proper playing posture, keyboard topography
- Note values and rhythm
- Note identification on the staff and reading music
- I-IV-V Chords
- Accidentals



The classes will be held on Tuesdays from 6:00 - 6:50 p.m. beginning January 8 through May 28 (no class on April 2 for Spring Break). The classes will be in the Piano Lab on the ground floor of Notre Dame Academy. The cost is \$265 and includes your book.

Each group is unique and will determine the pace of the class. At the end of the course, we will have an evening of good music, food, friends, and fun. Come join us! For more information contact Nell Schaffer at schaffern@ndapan-das.org or 859.261.4300.

COMMUNITY NEWS ◀

CCH will be showing **FIREPROOF** as their November Movie on November 13, 7:00 p.m. - No Admission Charged.

FIREPROOF is a movie about a young married couple. The marriage develops problems arising out of pride, selfishness, verbal abuse, and pornography. The wife wants out of the marriage. It offers a practical way to resolve relationship issues. While its focus is on marriage, it can apply to any relationship that experience problems. The film has no sex, no violence in it. Our relationship with God plays a big part in the movie. Recommended for young adults and adults. It is an excellent movie. It will make you laugh at times, get upset with people in the movie, and most of all, you will cry at the end.