ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NEWSNOTE

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From the Principal's Desk...

Happy Wednesday!

On Monday, our student athletes competed at the Diocesan Track Meet. They did an excellent job! I am extremely proud of each and every one of them and for all of their hard work.

The Diocesan Art Show is taking place May14th-17th at St. Mary's in Swormville. Some of our student's artwork is on display. It is open from 2:30-5:30 each day. Stop by if you have a chance.

This Friday, May 18th is our May Crowning Mass at 8:30. We are very fortunate to be having Bishop Malone join us for mass. Please join us in honoring Mary if you are able to.

If you have not sent in your registration packets, please send them in to ensure yourself a spot for the upcoming school year.

God's Peace and Love, Mrs. Kwitowski



Your commitment fee now includes supplies with the exception of Middle School calculators, headphones & other technology needs!

Do you know someone who is interested in joining our family? Registration packets are available in the school office!

Tuition Office

At this time, all Pre-K and K-8 tuition accounts should be paid in full. Final payments were due by April 15 as indicated on your signed Tuition Contract and recent statement. Unless alternate payment arrangements are in place with the Tuition Office, you will be receiving a copy of the payment policy and enforcement will take place May 25 if any account is arrears at that time. Please contact Nancy Jezuit, Director of Student Affairs in the Tuition Office @ 683-2112 x121 or jezuitn@smeschool.com as soon as possible if you have concerns or questions regarding your tuition account. Thank you.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 5/18 May Crowning Mass, 8:30, Bishop Malone will be joining us!
- 5/23 Dress Down Day supporting the Lipiarz Family Benefit, \$1.00
- 5/25-5/28 No School
- 5/30 NYS Science Performance Testing Gr. 4 & 8
- 6/1 Christian Witness Mass, 8:30.
- 6/1 Mega Raffle Drawing 7:00pm
- 6/4 1:00 Dismissal, Dress Down, NYS Science Written Test Gr. 4 & 8
- 6/6 Spring Concert, 9am, Gym
- 6/7 Pre-K 3 Last Day
- 6/8 Pre-K 4 Graduation, 10:00, Gym
- 6/11 Kindergarten Graduation, 10:30



SCRIP:

From May 7 - May 13, 2018, the Scrip rebate profit earned for the school was \$377.06.

FUNDRAISERS BY THE NUMBERS

Monthly Scrip Monthly Scrip Sales Goal Profit Goal \$30.000.00 \$1,500.00 May May

Sales-to-Date Profit-to-Date \$7210.00 \$403.32



Mega Raffle:

Tickets Sold to date: 452 Tickets Remaining: 198 Did you get yours?!

The past two years we've sold out before the event!

We are currently 144 tickets behind in sales from last year. For this fundraiser to be successful in keeping our tuition down, we need ALL families to help sell tickets. Please feel free to get creative with Social Media (posting this great opportunity to Facebook feeds, etc) as well as encouraging multiple people to chip in on one ticket!

PENNY FAIR

Thank you to our awesome HSA Team & volunteers for another fantastic Penny Fair! There were smiles galore from guests young and old!









Round 2 of our 8th Grade Beautification Project is complete. Next time you are in the gym, look up at the windows on the 2nd floor. Our 8th Grade students have created beautiful Spring scenes ... Butterfly (Marco / Dante), Dragonfly (Blair / Ella), Bumble Bees (Charlie / Jacob), Ladybug (Josh / Damien), Rabbit (Lauren / Margaret), and Frog (Claire / Lainie). Great Job everyone!











Tickets are still available for the Catholic Schools Night at the Ball Game on Friday, May 18th! While you're there, cheer extra loud as our very own Andrew from Mrs. Brinkworth's 4th grade class challenges Buster in a race around the bases! Tickets are available at: group matics. events/s/other/B is on scatholic



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SPRING CONCERT

We will have a change in the date and format of our Spring Concert and Band Concert. In the past, these two events were held on separate days however, this year, we will be combining them into one large, whole-school musical performance!

Our concert will be on Wednesday, June 6th at 9:00am in the school gym. We will have performances by our SME School Band, many of our beginner instrumental students, and all music classes from PK-4 to Grade 8. We will feature instrumental performances, singing, 3rd grade recorders, classroom percussion instruments, and possibly some sign language, movements with songs, games, and basically a little bit of everything we do in music class during the year.

We hope to see you there!!

Nurse News

Please remember that all students in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and any student playing a sport during the 2018-2019 school year needs to have a current physical (health appraisal) on file in the health office. Also, please ask your pediatrician if your child's immunizations are up to date. Summer appointments at Pediatrician offices fill up quickly; please make your appointment now. If you have a current completed physical form at home, you do not have to wait until September to turn it in. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Thank you! Mrs. Parker RN, BSN

SPORTS REPORT

Kudos to our spring sports teams as they continue on with their games! From soccer & softball to volleyball & track - our student athletes are leaving it all on the fields!

Our spring game schedules are listed on our school website, check them out and go cheer on your classmates!





Mega Raffle

The Mega Raffle fundraiser is critical to keeping the tuition costs down for our SME families.

So far, 182 of the tickets have been sold or purchased by 69 of our school families and we appreciate your support! If you are unsure as to how many tickets you've sold please contact Mary Kate! Every ticket sold gets us closer to our goal and makes sure we have a successful drive! Flyers are available in the front office if you would like to bring them to your place of business to sell - people love a raffle!



Prize winners announced live on Friday, June 1st at 6:30 in the Parish Center.

If you are interested in helping out please contact Mary Kate DeMarzio at megaraffle@smeschool.com or 510-1409.

SCRIP

From September 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018, the Scrip rebate profit earned by the school was \$10,738.31. This program is vital to our school and although we have been falling short of our monthly goal recently, I know we can hit it in future months if each family strives for a profit of \$250/year in Scrip rebates. Please take into consideration the places that you normally shop and dine, including purchasing your gasoline at Tops (gift cards accepted at pump) or paying your Kohl's charge card bills using SCRIP gift cards. Together, we can make the SCRIP program a success to our school, our Parish and for our children! Please contact the Scrip office at scrip@smeschool.com to find out how you can support this fundamental program.

We will have a limited number of special low denomination gift cards available to order through May 25th, or while supplies last. These are perfect for teacher gifts and grad parties! The gifts cards available are: Amazon.com \$10, Applebee's \$10, Barnes & Noble \$5, CVS \$5, Olive Garden \$10, Home Depot \$10, IHOP \$10, Meijer \$10, Outback \$10, Panera \$5, Red Lobster \$10, Regal \$10, Safeway \$10, Starbucks \$5, Target \$10, Wal-Mart \$10.

Lunch News

Now that the weather is getting warmer, we will be able to head outside for recess after lunch!! The students need your help though, as I am unable to take them out unless I have two volunteers present. We are most in need of volunteers Mondays-Thursdays and especially during the 3rd lunch period from 12:14-12:51. I ask that you please refrain from parking in the section of the lot closest to the grass/hill, as this is our play area. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation! Please contact me at lunchmonitor@smeschool.com or 510-1409 if you're available to sign up.



Candy Bar Sale Fun

On Friday April 27th, students headed out for This week we are celebrating more chocolate aca Limo & Lunch reward for their hard work in selling chocolate candy bars! Zoladz provided a stretch limousine for students to ride in style from SME to TGI Fridays by Walden Galleria, where students enjoyed appetizers, lunch and desert. Thank you students for all of your hard work.



complishments with our Movie Day prize. Students will enjoy movie snacks based on the following

Tues. 5/15 Grades Pre-K - 1: Gruffalo Thurs. 5/17 Grades 6-8:

Thunder in the House of Magic

Fri. 5/18 Grades 2-5: Ferdinand

Thank you to all who did such a great job!

The Chocolate Candy Bar Team



STAY IN THE KNOW

Save the Date: 5/18 Catholic Schools

Night at the Bison's Game

Save the Date: 6/6 School Spring Concert, Pre-K - Gr. 8, 9:00 am **Save the Date**: 6/7 - Pre-K 3 Last

Day

Save the Date: 6/8 - Pre-K 4

Graduation Day

Save the Date: 6/11 - Kindergarten

Graduation Day

Save the Date: 6/15 - School Picnic **Save the Date**: 6/20 - Last Day of

School

Food Allergy Awareness week is May 13-19, 2018

We all know how serious food allergies are and we all know someone who has a food allergy. Approximately 15 million people in the United States have a diagnosed food allergy and that number is on the rise. There are 8 major food allergens including milk, egg, peanuts, tree nuts, wheat, soy, fish, and crustaceans. Symptoms of a reaction *may* include-hives, itchy mouth, nausea, shortness of breath, stomach pain, trouble swallowing, or feeling faint and may appear minutes to several hours after a food is eaten. Not everyone who has an allergy will react in the same way. There is no cure for food allergies, only avoidance of the food will prevent a reaction. Allergic reactions can be life threatening (anaphylaxis) and treatment must be given quickly; treatment is an injection of epinephrine. Every 3 minutes someone in the US is sent to the Emergency Room due to a food allergy reaction.

Having a food allergy affects a person's quality of life. Although most people try to live a "normal" life, that is not always possible. 1 in 3 children reported being bullied because of their food allergy. Some kids do not participate in sleepovers or camps because of their food allergies. Many times restaurants and travel is restricted because of a food allergy. A food allergy not only affects the person, but their friends, family, classmates, and teachers....so we all need to be aware, be prepared and be kind!

At SME we ask that you Be A PAL- Protect a Life from Food Allergies.

- Know that food allergies are serious
- Don't share your food with your friends who have food allergies
- · Wash your hands after eating
- Help all your friends and classmates have fun together
- If a friend who has food allergies gets sick, get help right away

Just a reminder, that all snacks and treats that will be eaten in the classroom must be peanut and tree nut free. All food coming in for a party must be checked by the nurse. Thank you for your understanding continued cooperation in this safety policy.

Mrs. Parker RN, BSN

Food Allergy Awareness

www.foodallergy.org

