

# NEWSNOTE

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## FROM THE PRINCIPALS DESK...

Happy Wednesday!

This Friday night is our Autumn Gold Fundraiser. I am happy to see that many of our families have purchased tickets. If you have not, please consider purchasing one. All of the money that is raised goes to help keep tuition down.

Please remember that if you are sending in any treats with your child for the class, they need to be checked by Mrs. Moreno, our school nurse. We have many children in our school with allergies. We cannot risk their health with treats that either may contain an allergen or may have been processed in a plant with them.

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders are running a couple of fundraisers. The proceeds from the fundraisers assist with their 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip, help with graduation costs and for purchasing a legacy gift. The slips have been sent home to you so that if you would like to place an order, you may. Please do not feel like you are under any obligation to place an order. We just want to offer our families these opportunities.

As the weather is beginning to change I want to take a moment to remind you that shorts are no longer allowed. Additionally, if your child is wearing a second layer it must follow the uniform code: SME branded

hoodie, fleece jackets with the SME logo, or navy/white cardigan sweaters. If you have any question regarding the fall uniform code, please visit our school website or look in your child's agenda.

This Friday, 11/3 will be a dress down day for our students! There is no mass on Friday and a 1:00 dismissal.

God's Peace and Love,  
Mrs. Kwitowski



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 11/3 - 1:00 Dismissal, Autumn Gold 6pm-10pm
- 11/5 - Parish Gift Card Sale
- 11/6 - Dress Down Day
- 11/9 - Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:00pm
- 11/10 - No School, Veterans Day
- 11/13 - 10:45 Dismissal, Teacher Conferences 11:30-3:00pm
- 11/14 - 5th Gr. Grandparents Mass
- 11/17 - NJHS Induction following 8:30 mass
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## FUNDRAISERS BY THE NUMBERS

### SCRIP:

From October 23 – 29, 2017, the Scrip rebate profit earned for the school was \$257.68.

Monthly Scrip	Monthly Scrip
<u>Sales Goal</u>	<u>Profit Goal</u>
\$30,000.00	\$1,500.00
October	Year
<u>Profit-to-Date</u>	<u>Profit-to-Date</u>
\$867.76	\$1,808.87

### CANDY BAR SALE:

Historically two boxes were a part of the tuition agreement.

#### 2016-2017:

**10 Families Opted Out**

10 x 2 boxes ea = \$480 **lost** Profit

#### 2017-2018:

**57 Families have not participated**  
57 x 2 boxes = \$2736 **missing** Profit  
**Short 2 top selling families = over 400 boxes... \$9,600 missing profit**

To date we have handed out 585 boxes of chocolate. We are only 1/3 of the way to our goal of 1,500 boxes.

There is still time to turn this around!

### AUTUMN GOLD:

#### 2016-2017:

Presale ticket count: 574

Sold by the school:  
approximately 375

## AUTUMN GOLD

Autumn Gold is a GO!!

Thank you to the families who have purchased or sold one or more Autumn Gold tickets.

Although we did not reach the 150 mark we were hoping to, we did sell enough tickets to break even with our raffle payouts. Profits are projected/expected after we sell 450 tickets. Up until that point all ticket sales cover the expenses of the night (food/beverages/supplies etc...).

There is still time to purchase or sell more tickets and tickets will also be available at the door! We will have six separate 50/50 raffles, an amazing basket raffle and the ever popular extra Autumn Gold raffle (\$2 a ticket for a 1 in 25 chance in winning an AG ticket). We hope to see many of our families there and encourage you to bring a friend or two! One ticket admits two adults.

If you are interested in helping during the event, please email AutumnGold@smeschool.com. We will begin setting up on Friday immediately following the 1:00 dismissal. If you are unable to assist with set up but can help in the evening, volunteers are asked to arrive by 5:30 at the latest. We will need help checking people in at the door, selling 50/50 & extra AG tickets, and with our basket raffle. All volunteers will be wearing black & white with comfortable shoes so we can sell sell sell! Thank you!

## ESCHOOL MOBIL APP

There is a new ESchoolData Mobile App available for parents/guardians. The ESchoolData Mobile App is available from the Apple App Store and Google Play. Once the app has been downloaded to your device, you may be prompted to permit push notifications. If you do not consent to this access level, you will not receive notifications. Parents/Guardians must use the E-mail address and password associated with their existing SME E-School account. This mobile app uses your current permissions and settings to ensure a consistent user experience across all applications. Questions? Nancy Jezuit at jezuitn@smeschool.com.



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LIVING..."

## JOY TO THE WORLD!



On Saturday Dec.  
16, 2017 at 6:00pm,  
we will present **JOY  
TO THE WORLD!**

— a Living Nativity

Christmas Celebration. Our school band will present their Christmas Concert beginning at 6pm. The Living Nativity presentation will begin at 7pm. Students will present this beautiful depiction of our Lord's birth in the SME school gym. Grades **K-8** will be a part of this production! Students will be singing and acting with a backdrop of the manger including live animals, just as it was on that busy day in Bethlehem. We hope that you will join us! If you would like your student to participate in this production, please return the permission slip to Mrs. Hoag by October 27th.

## CHOCOLATE SALE UPDATE

We have not yet begun to make a profit, and have finally finished paying off our chocolate invoices. We need all of our families to help in any way that can! There is still time and decent weather to sell in your neighborhood. Sell after masses, sell outside stores, sell at work & selling at the mall are just some of the ways to make this sale work! We will be sending home order forms to families who have not had a chance to participate in the chocolate sale as of yet. Order forms are also available in our school office & our website. People love \$1 candy bars, they practically sell themselves!

We are in need of 1 parent volunteer to coordinate the candy bar sale in the school. It is 1 hour of work 2-3 times a week. Mrs. Weisenburg was able to help us up until now, but is unable to continue. If you are able to pick up with this task which entails labeling boxes, mixing our specialty boxes, pulling boxes for orders. Please email secretary@smeschool.com if you are able to help us.

We need all of our families to send in chocolate money as soon as they have sold a full box. We need to kick this sale into high gear in order to provide HSA with the funds they need to help the school succeed.

## ATHLETICS

The Fall Sports banquet is scheduled for Thursday, November 16th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. (Varsity Boys Baseball, Co-ed Swim team, Varsity and JV Girls Volleyball, and Cross Country team)

The banquet flyer information is enclosed in this weeks blue folder. Please return banquet form by Thursday, November 9th.

Inter-state photography studio will be present at the banquet to take team photos for the yearbook. (Coaches will be included in photo as well!) Players will wear their sport uniform to the banquet for their team picture. (Swimmers will wear their swim t-shirt if they purchased one from the swim league.) Parents may purchase team/individual photos by placing their order at the banquet. Order forms will be available that evening!

## CAFETERIA

Thank you to the families that have sent in playground equipment! I will continue to accept donations through the winter.

I am also still looking for extra volunteer help during the 3<sup>rd</sup> lunch period (12:14-12:51). The weather is starting to change, but I will continue to bring the students outside for as long as I can! If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to me at **lunchmonitor@smeschool.com**. Thank you!

## BOOK FAIR

Thank you to Darcie Fudoli & team and all of our shoppers for another successful Book Fair!

Congratulations to our All for Books Winners: Noah Fuqua, Marin Gill, Ethan Bookmiller & Jacob Alessandra.

## MERRY MOOSE

Our annual Merry Moose Holiday Shoppe is just a month away! Our students love to shop for their special someone from the assortment of gifts all priced at \$5 or less! We are now accepting donations of wrapping paper, tissue paper, ribbon, gift bags & tape! Please send them to the office ATTN: Merry Moose. If you are interested in volunteering please email Jennifer Carroll at jcarr2300@gmail.com. Thank you!



## MISSION POSSIBLE

Challenge Period 1 begins this week and continues through December 8th.

Each student received a bag to collect and transport food items to school.

*Here are our goals for this period:*

PREK - 6th grade = 50 cans each grade (which equals 5 full bags for each grade)

7th & 8th grades = 100 cans each grade (which equals 10 full bags for each grade)

Teachers/staff = 50 cans (which equals 5 full bags)

Grand total = 650 cans (65 full bags)

Thank you and God Bless you,  
Mrs. Hoag and the Social Justice Class  
hoagb@smeschool.com

## NURSE NEWS

Hello SME Families,

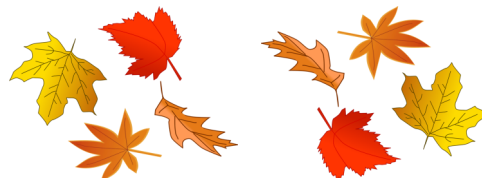
It is with a heavy heart that I must say Good-bye to St. Mary's. I have truly enjoyed working here and caring for your children and the staff at St. Mary's. I will miss everyone!! This was a very difficult decision for me to make and can't believe I have been here for over 6 years! My last day will be this Friday, November 3rd. I wish you all a Fantastic year! I will stay in touch and you may see me around, as I will stay on the sub list for the district. I leave you all in good hands with my replacement, Katie Parker, RN.

Please welcome her here as she will be starting on Monday, November 6.

Bye for now... Mrs. Moreno

## 4TH GRADE SERVICE PROJECT

For Respect Life month, Mrs. Brinkworth's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class participated in a service project where the students wrote letters to the mothers and also held a baby shower where they collected baby items for the mothers and children at the Mother Teresa Home.



## STAY IN THE KNOW

### My Little Sweetheart Dance:

Photo's from this years dance are now available for download until November 30th. Please visit:  
www.kellytanskiphotography.com



**Bottle Drive:** Our 8th grade bottle return drive will continue throughout the school year. Bins are located in the school foyer and cafeteria. Large donations can be brought to either Cash for Cans locations or Deposit Depot.





# **ST. MARY'S HOLIDAY GIFT CARD SALE**

**Where: IN THE ST. MARY'S ELEMENTARY SCRIP OFFICE**

**When: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**AFTER ALL MASSES**

Beat the rush - give SCRIP: the gift that fits all sizes!

*Place large orders for your business or office.*

Use SCRIP for all your gifts and regular shopping, including

Tops gas and groceries, prescriptions, coffee breaks and much more!

(Barnes & Noble, Dick's Sporting Goods, Wal-Mart, Applebee's, Tim Horton's ... the list goes on!)

**AND**

St. Mary's receives a profit on each card.

**BUY FROM OUR AVAILABLE INVENTORY OR PLACE AN ORDER**

Cash or check accepted. Please make checks payable to "St. Mary's Elementary."

Gift cards ordered 11/5 will be available for pickup in the school office Fri.

11/10 after 10:00a.m.

Call St. Mary's Elementary at 683-2112, ext. 312 with any questions.

*Thank you for supporting St. Mary's through our SCRIP program!*

# Fall Sports Banquet

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Parish Center 6:00– 7:30 pm

Swimming, Girl's Volleyball, Boy's Baseball Team and Cross Country

Families are invited to bring one of the following:

Girl's Varsity Volleyball 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade teams- Desserts

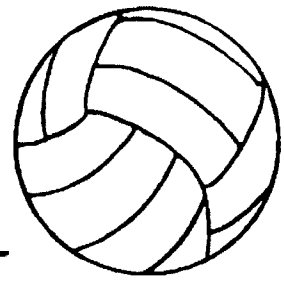
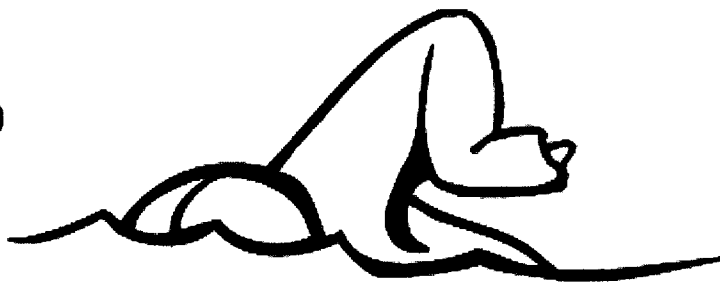
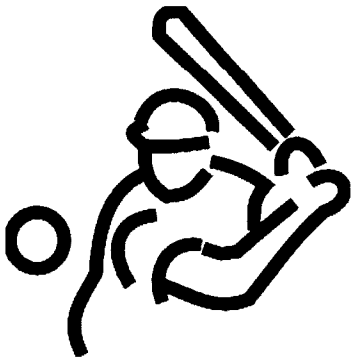
Girl's JV Volleyball – three 2-liters of *cold* pop

Swimming - Salads/Side Dishes (hot or cold)/Fruit

Boy's Baseball –Salads/Side Dishes (hot or cold)/Fruit

Cross Country – 1 case of water per family

Thank You!



Please return bottom of form. Keep top of form for your reference.

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Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name(s)/Sport(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Due to space restrictions, this banquet is limited to player and immediate family members.

Please send in this form along with \$10 per family to office,  
Attention: Julie Wipperman (due 11/9/2017)

**\*\*\*Interstate Photography will be taking photos for SME yearbook\*\*\***  
**Families will be able to purchase team/individual photos**



School  
Effectiveness  
Team

--- ATTENTION PARENTS ---

St. Mary's Elementary School  
2017-2018 Family Directory  
Family Information Form

Each school year, the SME School Effectiveness Team (SET) publishes the Family Directory of all families here at St. Mary's Elementary School.

The directory lists all the students sorted by grade, and includes their name, the names of their parents/guardians, address, phone number, and e-mail address. All of the information is taken directly from the school registration database. However, we understand that not everyone may want their personal information included in the directory. Please use this form to 1) opt out of the family directory, or 2) select what information you want included in the family directory.

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PREFERENCE BELOW  
AND RETURN THIS FORM BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH.

JK

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Please check either Option 1 **OR** Option 2.

☐ **Option 1:** I would like to opt out of the family directory. Please do not include any family information.

☐ **Option 2:** I would like the following personal information **included** in the family directory (please check **ONLY** the information you would like included in the directory):

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Address      ☐ Mother's Name      ☐ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Father's Name      ☐ Guardian's Name ☐ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print