

NEWSNOTE

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Happy Wednesday!

This past Thursday was our Meet the Teacher Night. I was happy to see that many families attended. It was a great opportunity to meet your child's teachers and to meet parents of other students in the classroom. If you were not able to make the event, signup sheets for parent teacher conferences were out. Please contact your child's teacher to sign up for a conference.

This Friday will be our first Christian Witness Mass. It is also a 15 minute early release drill day.

Remember that our Catholic Schools Marathon will be on Monday, October 7th. Students should dress in SME attire. It is a 1:00 dismissal.

God's Peace and Love,
Mrs. Kwitowski



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 10/4 - Christian Witness Mass, 8:30, 15 Early Release Drill
- 10/7 - 1:00 Dismissal, Catholic Schools Marathon 9-10am
- 10/11 - No School, Professional Development Day
- 10/14 - No School, Columbus Day
- 10/18 - My Little Sweetheart Dance, 7-9pm
- 10/23 - Progress Report Upload
- 10/24 - School Picture Re-Take Day
- 10/25 - Marathon Pledge Money Due
- 10/26 - Save the Date: Family Fun Night!

We have the following early dismissal dates:

Friday: District wide 15 Minute Early Release Drill

Monday: 1:00 Dismissal

Our after school care program **will** be in session on both of these dates.



BY THE NUMBERS

SCRIP:

From *September 1, 2019* to *September 30, 2019*, the Scrip rebate profit earned for the school was \$813.57. Although we're happy to see this profit, we are already below our monthly goal by \$686.43.

Monthly Scrip Sales Goal
\$30,000.00

Monthly Scrip Profit Goal
\$1,500.00

September Profit-to-Date
\$813.57

Year Profit-to-Date
\$813.57

CANDY BAR SALE:

Thank you to those that took a box (or 2 or 3!) home with you during Meet The Teacher Night!

The latest shipment of Gertrude Hawk came in yesterday. At this time all back orders have been filled. If you feel that you are still awaiting a box of chocolate, please contact our candy bar team at candybarsale@smeschool.com & Amanda Kuhn at secretary@smeschool.com.

Don't forget... You can earn a bonus dress down ticket for every two boxes of chocolate which are ordered & pre-paid through the end of the month! Tickets will be distributed in November.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS MARATHON

Each year our school hosts a Catholic Schools Marathon. Our marathon will be held on **Monday, October 7th**. The children (Pre-K - 8) will walk around the school grounds with their respective class while raising monies for their school. All money collected is used to enhance the technology here at SME.

A pledge form was sent home last Wednesday. If you are in need of another copy, please contact Amanda Kuhn (secretary@smeschool.com). We encourage all families to participate.

Pledges can be sent in prior to the marathon, or afterwards with all money due back by October 25th.

Students are to wear their SME attire or gym uniforms. This is a rain or shine event, so please be sure your child is in weather appropriate attire.



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ATHLETICS

Basketball sign up forms have gone home to all students. If your child is interested in participating this year please return the signup with the appropriate athletic fee made payable to St. Mary's.

If at any time you have questions about our athletic program, please contact Mr. Kelly at athletics@smeschool.com.



Fall team photos will be taken on Tuesday, October 8th by Interstate Studios for the yearbook.

We ask that the members of the baseball, volleyball & cross country teams please bring their jersey top with them to school for photos. Members of the swim team should wear a SME gym shirt for their photo.

Order forms for team photos will be going home with the student athletes on Friday 10/4.



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UPON THIS HILL,
WE DO GOD'S WILL



SCRIP

When we work together on the \$1,500.00 monthly goal, it is less than a \$200 purchase in gift cards per family, per month, through the Scrip program. Since Scrip cards can be purchased for Tops Gasoline, Tops groceries, Amazon, Tim Hortons, paying your Kohl's bill, etc I am sure we can all find easy ways to help with this goal. Each week we will update what we have sold towards the monthly goal of \$30,000 in Scrip sales. There is a locked box outside the Athletics office so that you can drop off orders whenever it is convenient for you! There is also one in the back of the church.

We thank you for your support in making the Scrip program a success for 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.

Due to popular demand, we will offering 2 Parish Gift Cards Sales again this year: stay tuned for those dates to be announced soon!

HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (HSA)

CRAFT / VENDOR FAIR:

On Saturday, November 9th, our HSA Team will be hosting a Vendor Craft Fair & Spaghetti Dinner from 1-6:00pm.

Vendor Fair admission is \$2

Spaghetti Dinner Tickets are \$8 Presale / \$10 at the Door and will be available until sold out.

If you or someone you know is a crafter/vendor and would like an application, please contact our team at hsa@smeschool.com or Amanda Kuhn at secretary@smeschool.com.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT:

HSA needs the help of our middle schoolers! We would love to incorporate a haunted/fun house or carnival games into our Family Fun Night on 10/26. If you are interested, please return the slip that went home last week or email our team at hsa@smeschool.com.

MERRY MOOSE:

Thank you to those that have reached out regarding helping with Merry Moose this year.

Mrs. Jennifer Carroll is our current chairperson but she needs another set of hands (or two) to join her in coordinating this event.

We will also need many hands during the event to help the children shop & even to help wrap their items.

If you (or even a grandparent) is interested in helping in any way, please contact Amanda (secretary@smeschool.com) and your information will be passed along.

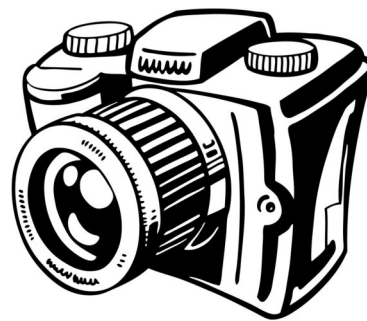
We thank you in advance for your assistance!



SPORT PHOTOS

We love to show off our student athletes! If you were able to capture a great photo while cheering on our teams feel free to send them to us! We will post on Facebook &/or the NewsNote as much as possible! Please send your photo to:

secretary@smeschool.com,
kierjewskis@smeschool.com &
athletics@smeschool.com.



CAFETERIA



Our students will continue to go outside for lunch recess until the weather becomes too cool. Please be sure that your child is coming to school in weather appropriate attire to be able to participate.

PARISH PASSAGE

A special blessing of pets will be held on Saturday, October 5th at 9 a.m. in the Pavilion outside St. Mary's Church.

The blessing celebrates the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, who was know for his love of animals and creation.



BOOK FAIR

Thank you to all that visited our Book Fair to make it a success!

A big thank you to Mrs. Bookmiller and family for chairing this event and we are looking forward to the BOGO Book Fair in the Spring!

Keep on reading!



LOOKIN' GOOD

You may have noticed during Meet The Teacher night that we have some new furniture throughout the building.

We are beyond thankful for the donation of desks, bookcases, file cabinets & more that one of our school board members was able to put into place for us from a company that was downsizing.

A huge shout out to Zito Movers as they assisted with getting much of what we received here for us. The St. Mary's grounds staff was also a great help as we were also able to upgrade some of the furniture in the Rectory as well.



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8TH GRADE INFO

High School Shadowing:

All coordinating of shadow dates at any of the local high schools will occur directly with the school(s) of your choice. Please take into consideration any tests that may have been scheduled with any of your child's teachers. A note/email can be sent in ahead of time to advise of the absence.

Catholic High School Application:

As you register your child for a catholic high school, the final step is sending in a signed copy of the application confirmation email. Your signature allows us to forward a copy of your child's first semesters grades to their first & second choice schools.

STAY IN THE KNOW



Save the Date: Friday, 10/4, Christian Witness Mass, 8:30.

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Save the Date: Friday, 10/18, My Little Sweetheart Dance, 7-9pm

Save the Date: Friday, 11/1 All Saints Day Mass

Save the Date: Monday, 11/4 1:00 Dismissal, Dress Down Day



Mom's – we need you!

Help is needed for our “My Little Sweetheart Dance”
on Friday, October 18th, 2019!

Please check off where we can count on you:

- Set-Up (following dismissal on Friday)
- During the event 6:45-9:00pm
- Clean-Up (9:00 - ? Many hands make light work!)

Name: _____

Preferred contact method _____
phone #/ email

Please direct any questions to Sheila Kierejewski (kierejewskis@smeschool.com)

Please return this form back to the school office by October 10th.

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My Little Sweetheart Dance

Friday, October 18th
7pm-9pm

Dad, Grandpa, Uncle and Older Brothers are welcome to come with their lovely little lady guest!

Semi-Formal
Attire

\$12 per person

Payment Due: Thurs. October 10th

PRE-SALE ONLY

Please return to Mrs. Kwitowski

For every ticket sold
we will donate \$2 to the
Mother Teresa Home

Pizza and refreshments will be served



Name of Attendees (First/Last Name):

Student: _____

Guest: _____

Student: _____

Guest: _____

Student: _____

Guest: _____

Total number attending:



Amount Enclosed:



PLEASE RETURN MONEY AND ORDER FORM IN A
LABELED ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO:
MRS. KWITOWSKI/CHILD'S NAME

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