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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
St. Mary's Parish School
Week of May 10, 2021



And behind every great staff are FANTASTIC PARENTS with their children!!!!

Thank you from all the teachers and staff for being so generous during Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week by providing so many delicious foods/drinks that fed us for the **WHOLE** week! Thank you for your notes/gifts too. It is truly a joy and privilege to work with you in your child's education. Many blessings and deep gratitude.

On behalf of Fr. Joe, Parents, Teachers/Staff, we want to say a **HUGE thank you** especially to:

Dianna Spellman and Natalie Johnson and for all those who worked with them to put together a truly fantastic Auction—both the silent auction online and the **LIVE** auction online.

Thank you too to:

each one of you:

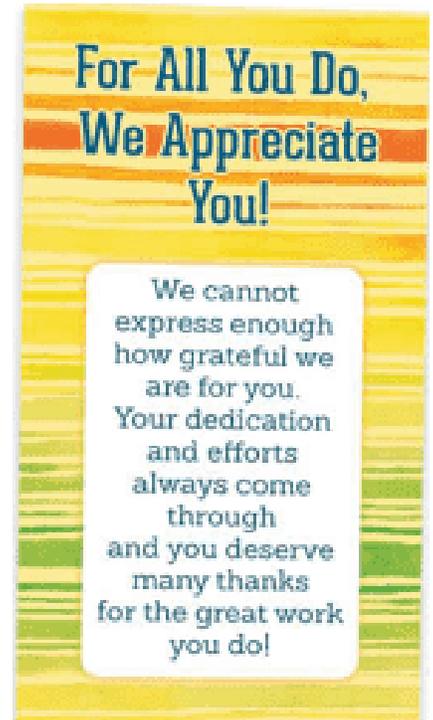
- ❖ *who made and donated wonderful items for the auction;*
- ❖ *who organized “watch parties”;*
- ❖ *who chatted and bid on all the items—both silent and live.*

We are blessed due to you!

We took in on Saturday night \$52,000!!! Thank you!!!

The newly formed **Garden Club** is looking for 3-4 **tomato** starts. The club is also looking for **hosta** starts if anyone has some to share.

DRIVERS ARE NEEDED: If you would like to drive for end of the year events: 4th grade trip to the mines and to Klemgard Park, please be sure that we have the most updated form for you. If you're not sure, call Debbie in the school office for more details. Driver form is attached.



Dessert Recipes Catholic Women's League is collecting any and all "Dessert Recipes" that will be made into a dessert cookbook and will be available for sale November 1st with proceeds going to CWL. IF you have a delicious favorite dessert recipe please drop off at either drop off box locations in the back of St. Mary's Church or at the Parish Center outside the office. The cookbook will also provide a *gluten free and diabetic section* for those recipes as well. Deadline for collection is August 15th. For more information or questions please contact Cindy Connelly at 509-336-4005.

Spring Cleaning—As you know, we don't have a maintenance person at the school so we need to rely on volunteers to do some of the "extra" items needed to be done around the school. Please call the office to let us know you are able to assist us. Thank you!

- A. Mowing the lawn in front of the school.---**thank you to Tyler Beller Schilling who said he'd do this for us.**
- B. Sweeping the rocks off the sidewalk on the side of the building. **—thank you, Bill Kerr, for doing this for us.**

Following items are still needed.

- C. Removing of rocks off the blacktop.
- D. Trimming of bushes.
- E. School yard lawn: mowing, leveling ground, aerating the lawn.

Student Council process for fall 2021 is in full swing. There are 8 positions: 4 for officers and 4 for commissioners. We are excited for those who are running for the positions.



Measure of Academic Progress tests happen this week for Grades 2 through 8th.

HOW to make sure students do as best as they can?

Rest well at night and have a good breakfast.

Tests will be as follows: Language Arts --

Monday; Reading --Tuesday, Math --Wednesday and Science on Thursday.

Hot Lunch + information for the date/day



Monday, May 10:

Chicken nuggets + tater tots
MAPS Language Arts test for Gr. 2-8
 Garden Club meets after school today.

Tuesday, May 11:

Tacos
MAPS Reading test for Gr. 2-8
 School Board meeting at 6:00 p.m.

- Wednesday, May 12:** **Cheese quesadillas + refried beans**
MAPS Math test for Gr. 2-8
- Thursday, May 13:** **Crème Brulee + sausage or bacon**
MAPS Science test for Gr. 3-8
 Garden Club meets today after school.
 Development Committee meets at the school at 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 14:** **Egg or tuna salad + chips**
 Mass at 9:00 Grades 5/6
LAST CHANCE TO check the “lost and found items” of your child(ren)’s items. After today, all items will be given to the Catholic Women’s Rummage Sale. You can find the items on the table outside of school
 Staff meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Other Items to Note:

- ❖ During the month of May, we are inviting students to bring flowers for the statue of Mary in the school gym. This is a way to honor the mother of Jesus.
- ❖ **Family Faith Formation is being offered as a Sunday School Lesson and Activity for children (families too!) for preK-5th grade on May 16th. From 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary’s Parish Center.** Sign up by Friday of each weekend by visiting our website or by calling the office at 208-882-4813. Call 208-882-4813 for more information. ALL families are welcome!
- ❖ **OPEN HOUSE this year is different.** Please be the ones to let others know about St. Mary’s School. **YOUR family is the best ambassador for the school**, so please do invite your friends to consider St. Mary’s for their child’s education! We are able to give tours after school hours. Also, teachers are available to speak with prospective families too. We have postcards that can be given to interested people. Please call the school office for us to give them to you.
- ❖ **SCHOOL MUSICAL will be happening:** All, under the direction of Nikki Crathorne, are busily putting together a wonderful and creative production of *Mary Poppins*. The plan is that “all will come together” by the end of May.
- ❖ **YEARBOOK:** under the direction of Mrs. Sandy Izzo has *gone to press*. It will be given out before the school year ends on June 4th.

Future DATES to note:

- May 10 - 14 MAPS Testing (Grades 2 – 8)
- May 10 to 17 Campaign Week for Student Council positions for fall 2021 begins.....
- May 11 School Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. Thank you to Board members whose term is finished and welcome to new Board members. Meeting will take place NOT at the school but at Blooms Restaurant at 6:00 p.m.
- May 13: *Happy Birthday Mrs. Sandy Izzo, Grade 3 teacher*

- May 14 Mass Grades 5/6 are the prayer leaders
Check “lost and found items” on the table outside of school—to find your child’s missing items---LAST chance to do this...any items left will be given to Catholic Women’s League Rummage sale May 21-22
- May 17 Foundation Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. at the school
- May 18 Speeches by those running for Student Council positions, followed by voting for the new Student Council for Fall 2021.
- May 20 *Happy Birthday Mrs. Fitt (PS teacher)*
- May 21 Mass Gr. 2
 Ceremony for new the Student Council officers for fall 2021
Library books are all due ONE week from today.....
Today the Family Promise of the Palouse will be having a Spaghetti Dinner Carry out...information flyer will be coming out.
- May 21-22:** Rummage Sale led by Catholic Women’s League is scheduled for May 21st and 22nd. Save your gently used items to be dropped off the week prior to the event. Proceeds will be used to benefit others within our community. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, contact Sylvia Brown at (509) 338-1251 or sylbrown@live.com
- May 27: The Catholic Women's League is pairing with Wild at Art and painting ceramic bowls on Thursday May 27th. All are welcome to participate for FREE if you donate the bowl to the Bread and Bowl Project. If you would like to paint one to keep, pre-order for only \$18. Payment due to the office by May 21st. Call the office with questions or signup via a link on the calendar.
- May 28 *Happy Birthday Mrs. Swam, Kindergarten teacher*
 Mass Gr. 1
Library books are due TODAY....books not turned in, lender’s family will be charged \$25....please talk with your children so nothing will be charged to you.
- May 31 **NO SCHOOL:** Memorial Day Holiday (**No** Childcare Available)
- Wed. June 2: Klemgard Picnic:** whole school attends this long standing tradition (over 45 years)...given the space and being outdoors at Klemgard we hope as many families will join us as possible. The main dish (hot dogs a la Costco) will be provided by the school. Other items families will be asked to donate. More later as this event becomes closer.
- June 2 *Happy Birthday Mrs. Karen Herrenbruck, Gr. 4 teacher*
- June 3 *Happy Birthday Mrs. Elizabeth McEvoy, Gr. 5 teacher*
- June 4 **Last Day of School**-- the last Mass of the school year at 9:00 a.m. and school ends @ 1pm
- June 6 8th Grade Graduation and Mass at St. Mary’s at 12:30 p.m.
- June 8: Summer program (if we have enough to hold this program and that it is safe to do so for the students) will start...*more details will come soon*