

# HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal



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**EXCITING NEWS!**

We just received a check from Box Tops for **\$744.00!** Thank you for all of your hard work collecting and turning these in. Thank you Barb Peterson for all of your help with Box Tops!!

**Great Job Everyone!!**

### “Happy New Year to All!”

#### Fieldtrip to Christ the King

Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, the SHAS students in grades kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> will be taking a fieldtrip along with their teachers to Christ the King (CTK) School/ Parish of Browerville. They will be accompanied by students of CTK, St. Henry's of Perham, and St. Mary's of Long Prairie to a concert performance by Christian song writer/musician Luke Spehar. We look forward to this event as we enjoyed our experience with visiting Perham and Browerville Catholic schools last January at SHAS during Catholic Schools Week.



*Christian song writer/musician Luke Spehar*

#### Snapshot of Events to Come

We look forward to two fun events on the near horizon. Catholic Schools Week (CSW) 2015 will be observed across the nation January 25<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. Throughout CSW we will celebrate who we are as a Catholic school through community outreach, daily dress up themes, and fun events, including a community dance January 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm. Our CSW Kick-off Masses will be at 5:00pm on January 24<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart and January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am at St. Michael's. All SHAS families are encouraged to attend one of these masses with their children dressed in SHAS uniforms, as we

celebrate who we are with our supporting parishioners. The Sacred Heart Area School Carnival will be held February 1<sup>st</sup>. All are welcome! This is one event where we expect all parents in grades K-5 to help out with. SHAS will again host fish fry dinners every Friday (excluding Good Friday during Lent).

#### More Improvements to Come

Thank you participants of our “Dollar a Day” Centennial Fund Drive! Cans and boxes will be collected through the month of January, and can be dropped off at the school. Those who have pledged to the “Dollar a Day” drive will be contacted by mail in the next week. All funds raised will go toward enhancing Sacred Heart Area School's “curb appeal” for its new century, with the most popular project being playground improvements. There will be a committee formed in the near future for the planning of improvements to be made. If you are interested in participating, watch for more information coming soon.



*SHAS students playing on their playground*

**HELP WANTED!**



Sacred Heart Area School is now seeking substitute teachers, paraprofessionals and aides. Interested candidates should contact Jim Opelia, Sacred Heart Area School, 324 4<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Staples. Phone number: 894-2077



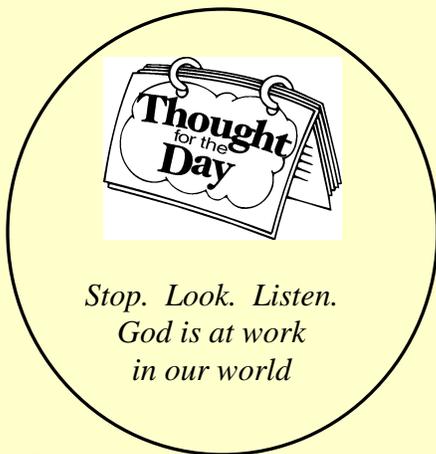
- Jan 9 2 Hour Early Out
- Jan 13 Spring Blast Meeting  
5:00 SHAS
- Jan 16 Field Trip to CTK
- Jan 16 End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- Jan 19 Teacher Workshop  
No School
- Jan 24 Catholic School's Week Kick  
Off Mass Staples 5:00 pm
- Jan 25 Catholic School's Week Kick  
Off Mass Motley 10:30 am
- Jan 26- Catholic Schools Week  
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- Jan 28 Catholic Schools Week  
Dance
- Feb 1 SHAS Carnival



There are only 23 days left until the Carnival. If you want more raffle tickets to sell, please send a note with your student or call the office telling us how many books you want, and we'll send more home. Please return the tickets to school as you sell them, it is a lot easier for us if the kids turn them in as they sell instead of on the last day. Remember, this is one of our school's biggest fundraisers of the year. Please do your part to help our school meet its goal!!! We need 100% participation in order for this to be successful.

# 5th Grade ROCKS

Happy New Year!  
Welcome to 2015!  
We are working hard at getting back into a normal routine. The students had a wonderful time preparing for and presenting the Christmas Program. They did a great job of bringing the Christmas spirit to those around them. What a wonderful Christmas gift!  
In math, they are working on mastering the skill of using standard units of measure. In reading, they listened to the poem "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere", by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. They are also studying, about this period of time in their social class. In English, they are working on identifying different types of verbs. In Religion class, they have been working on activities that help them understand what Epiphany was.  
God bless and stay warm,  
Mrs. Trout



## Mission Statement

*In sharing our Catholic faith in Christ, we foster spiritual and academic formation in a positive, welcoming atmosphere that reflects love and respect for all.*



**Check out our facebook page for the latest information on what's happening at Sacred Heart School!**



Thank you parents for all of the help you give the school. We appreciate you so much!! If you have volunteer hours that you feel haven't been logged. Please let Sandy know so she can take care of that for you!  
Thanks again for all you do!!!