

HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal



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We are in need of some volunteers in the library. For the most part it can be done on your own time after a little bit of training from Mary. Please call Sandy for details.

A New Year

This is the beginning of a very exciting centennial year for Sacred Heart Area School. We will celebrate throughout the year what our school has been and is today, along with the many blessings it has received from and has provided for many people throughout the years. We also look forward to several fun events on the near horizon. Catholic Schools Week (CSW) will be observed across the nation January 26th-31st. Throughout CSW we will celebrate who we are as a Catholic school through community outreach and fun events, including a community dance January 29th at 6pm. Thursday, January 30th, SHAS will be hosting an inter-Catholic school Mass and lyceum by the U of M Raptor Center. We will celebrate this day with students and staff from Christ the King School of Browerville and Saint Henry's Area School of Perham. The Sacred Heart Area School Carnival will be held February 2nd. All are welcome! To learn more about what's happening at Sacred Heart, follow us at sacredheartareaschool.org.

Kick-off Masses

We are hoping to have a significant attendance of school families at our Catholic Schools Week **Kick-off Masses** on January 25th (5:00pm at Sacred Heart), and 26th (10:30am at St. Michael's). Our parishioners want and need to see our students and school family to know what their school is about and who their mission serves. **Please consider attending one of these weekend Masses.** We wish to continue to reach out to families with young children in our community, particularly our parish families. Our goal is to let them know of the positive impact our school has had, and will continue to have on the lives of our students. Our school is a true blessing from God to the families of our community. We must let our parishes know that we believe this by being visible at our own CSW Masses.

The Mission of 100 More Years

The SHAS Centennial Committee has started its "Dollar a Day" centennial fund drive for SHAS playgrounds. Participants will keep their cans or boxes at home with the intent of donating \$1.00 each day for the family. "Dollar a Day" cans or boxes are available at the school. Thank You!

Fish Fries

Get ready to enjoy weekly fish dinners at Sacred Heart throughout Lent. This year Lent starts on March 5th. These dinners will be replacing the carnival dinner we will no longer be providing. More details will be available in the weeks to come.

New Student Teacher at SHAS



Student Teacher - Miss Ines De La Cruz
We are happy to have and excited to introduce to you Miss Ines De La Cruz (Miss Cruz) from Spain. Miss Cruz was a foreign exchange student at Staples High School during the 2009-2010 school-year and has now returned to complete her student teaching/internship. This week she has been observing and helping out in all classrooms. Ms. Cruz will be given various teaching duties including classroom instruction and attending faculty functions as part of her training. She is assigned to our 4th grade class for the formal student teaching experience with Mrs. Trout as her supervisor.



- Jan 10 2 Hour Early Out
- Jan 17 End of Quarter 2
- Jan 20 NO SCHOOL
- Jan 25 Catholic Schools Week
Kick-off Mass at Staples
5:00
- Jan 26 Catholic Schools Week
Kick-off Mass at Motley
10:30
- Jan 27 – 31
Catholic Schools Week
- Jan 29 Dance at SHAS 6:00
- Feb 2 SHAS Carnival & Dinner
- Feb 7 Two Hour Early Out
- Feb 12 Movie Night
- Feb 17 NO SCHOOL – winter
break
- Feb 19 Mid – Quarter 3
- Mar 5 Ash Wednesday
- Mar 7 2 Hour Early Out
- Mar 17 Spring Pictures
- Mar 20 End of 3rd Quarter



Mission Statement

As believers in God, and moved by the power of the Holy Spirit, we foster spiritual and academic formation of our students in a positive, welcoming atmosphere that reflects a respect for all people.



We need your help! Please help us make our Sacred Heart Area School Centennial Cookbook a success by turning in a minimum of 3 recipes per family. The more the better!!! We want to know what you love to cook, bake, or grill; Meatloaf, Pecan Pies, Desserts, Potato Salad, Beans, Ribs, or whatever. We so far have about 50 of the 400 recipes we hope to get. This cookbook is part of the celebration of the 100 years of our school. Please do not put this request aside thinking, “If I don’t participate, it won’t matter.” We need everyone’s help or it won’t happen. We have a concrete deadline of January 17th. Return recipes to school. Thank you for the many things you help your school with for it to continue to succeed!



We are asking for parents to sign up to sell raffle tickets after Saturday and Sunday masses in Staples and Motley. Please contact the school to sign up. Your child will sell their own tickets and earn rewards towards their goal.



Hello from 5th and 6th grades!! We are glad to be back at school after our Christmas break. We have been busy in 5th grade math working on mean, median, mode, and range. In 6th grade math we are beginning work on multiplying and dividing decimals. We are working on adverbs in English and focusing on inventions in Reading class. Our next class mass will be on January 30th! We hope to see you there.



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!!!