

HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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We are in need of old t-shirts that don't have writing on the back of them. It doesn't matter what is on the front because we will be cutting them apart to make the capes using the back side only. Please look through your closets to see if you have any that you don't want anymore. If you find some - please send them to school with your child ASAP as they will need to be cut and ready to go.

Heaven Gained an Angel



Mona working with SHAS students

This morning, after months of battling cancer, SHAS's Grandma Mona passed away at age 86. She has been with our school for 19 years, making it the biggest part of her life. Grandma cared dearly for all the children, and worked hard with them, to be sure they were growing academically, happy emotionally, and was the greatest role model for them spiritually. We are very sad to lose her, but are very happy for her in the reward of everlasting rest and peace. Heaven certainly gained an angel today. We love you Grandma!

Haiti Visit

Today, the boys and girls were treated with a visit from Jerimiah and Tanja Dwire and friend JessAnn of Sebek. Each year they visit a mission in Haiti to do God's work helping the poor of the country. They shared with the children how poor and overpopulated Haiti is. They learned how fortunate they are to eat and go to school as they do. Very few in Haiti, about 1%, have a life style similar to us. Jerimiah is the owner of JB Directional, which does horizontal drilling. Last October he donated about \$800 of labor to SHAS, completing the necessary horizontal drilling under 4th Avenue, providing the necessary water supply to our newly installed sprinkler system on our large playground. We thank them for all they have done for our children and the community.



Children in Haiti

A New Chapter

Sacred Heart Area School will be starting the second half of the school year Monday morning. It is a great time for teachers, parents, and students to refocus on what we are doing. Are we maximizing our time with students in the classroom, challenging each individual student to reach their greatest potential? Are we focusing enough time with our children in the evenings to prepare them for the next school day, and making sure they are spending some time reading? Are we listening to our parents and teachers and finishing our homework on time? And for all of us, are we remembering to keep God at the center of our lives? Thinking about what we can do to better ourselves is the first step in being a better you. I need to do this more often, and I am sure I am not alone. We wish all of our families the best in the second half of our school year! Thank you everyone, for your great work so far this year!

Upcoming Fun

We have several fun events on the horizon. The SHAS 4th and 5th grade students will be hosting a spaghetti dinner after the 5pm Mass on January 30th at Sacred Heart, Staples and a pancake breakfast after 10:30am Mass St. Michael's, Motley on January 31st Catholic Schools Week (CSW) Kick-off Masses. Free-will donations are accepted to go toward their spring fieldtrip to the state capitol and science museum. CSW will be observed across the nation January 31st-February 5th. Throughout CSW we will celebrate who we are as a Catholic school through community outreach and fun events, including a community dance February 3rd at 6pm. We will wrap up the week with our annual carnival, Sunday, February 7th from 9:30am until 1:30am, at which time we will have our raffle drawing.

Scrip

Support our School!

The next Scrip order will go in on Friday, January 29th. Please see the form that was sent hom with the newsletter for all of the great places you can shop with Scrip while at the same time raising money for the school!!



- Jan 21 **Spring Blast Meeting 5:30**
- Jan 22 No School- Teacher Workshop
- Jan 30 Catholic Schools Week Kick off Mass 5:00 Staples
- Jan 31 Catholic Schools Week Kick off Mass 10:30 Motley
- Feb 1-5 Catholic Schools Week
- Feb 3 Catholic Schools Week Dance
- Feb 7 Carnival
- Feb 10 Ash Wednesday Mass 8:30

Love The LORD Your God
 With All Your Heart
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 And With All Your Soul
 And With All Your Mind.
 Matthew 22:37



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.

BOOKSWAP



February is I Love to Read Month. One of the activities the school will be doing is a book swap. A flyer was sent home today with an explanation of how it will work. Please look through your books at home and choose some that you are willing to swap. This book swap is meant to be fun and to see what other stories are out there. It will also teach the children responsibility, and that it can be fun to donate the books you don't read anymore.



CARNIVAL

UPDATE

There are only 18 days until the Carnival!

In order for the Carnival to be a success we need every family at Sacred Heart to help! The things we need your help with are selling raffle tickets, bringing in grab bags, bake sale items, cakes for the cake walk and also working on the day of the carnival! All of these things are needed to make the Carnival a success!!

- **10 grab bag prizes in brown paper lunch bags**
- **2 or more cakes per family for the Cake Walk**
- **2 or more baked items per family for the Bake Sale**

@TTENTION!

We would like all K-5 students to wear their uniforms on Monday! We will be attending Grandmas funeral and would like the students to look their best! Thank you!



Hello from Kindergarten!!! We are working very hard and learning new things everyday in Kindergarten! Each day we have a new sentence to write correctly on our papers along with our first and last names. Our writing is improving more and more every day! In Religion, we are learning about showing kindness everywhere we are. In Reading, we are working on a book called "Life in an Ocean" and starting a new book called "Armadillo's Orange". We are also reading a couple little books by ourselves. In Math, we are learning the names of solid shapes, how to build solid shapes and the surfaces of solid shapes. In Science, we are learning about Plants and Animals All Around on land and in water. Lastly, in Social we are learning about goods and services and will start learning about where we live. We hope you are all enjoying the warmer weather! We are so glad to be able to go outside and play for recess! Have a great weekend! **NO SCHOOL TOMORROW!**
 Miss Becker