

# HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Set up for the carnival will start on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 and tear down will start at 1:30 on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. Lots of help is needed. We are counting on all parents to help get the school ready for a great carnival for the kids!!**

## Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal

### Hold on to Your Hats!

Thank you parents for all your hard work selling raffle tickets for this year's carnival! As a parent of two SHAS students, I know the challenges you have with commitments to your school with fundraising and volunteer time. We all understand this necessity and we do our part, because we love this school for our children. "Hold on to your hats!" This weekend will be a challenge for us all, making sure our carnival succeeds, which is a big part of our annual budget to keep the school in operation. Thank you all in advance for your sacrifice to the success of this event!

### Catholic Schools Week Fun

Last night's dance was enjoyed by several school children and their families, as was the entire week of fun themed dress up days and fun events. Including fun games and rainbow day on Monday, "Capture the Kryptonite" game and mismatch day on Tuesday. Wednesday was super hero day along with a wonderful science lyceum with Jerry Wenzel, then the dance last night. Today is hat day with a spelling bee. Tomorrow we will wrap up the week with a fun pajama and superhero movie day. It will also be a 2 hour early out.



SHAS students had a great Wednesday morning with Jerry Wenzel, "Mr. Science", of Randall, MN. Jerry is a retired science teacher of 35 years for East Grand Forks. Jerry currently travels to schools and other venues presenting exciting fun science experiments. See more on Facebook and the school web page.

### I Love to Read Month

For the next 4 weeks we will be celebrating "I Love to Read Month" with fun themes and activities to do at home and at school. Please accept the challenges that have been set for your child's reading and have fun with them. The goal of "I Love to Read Month" is to inspire students to actively enjoy reading. Together, we can light the spark. Reading is one of the most important things a student will do and needs to find success with.

### Spelling Bee Fun



Students in grades preschool-fifth grade participated in a spelling bee at SHAS on Thursday morning. Participants were; (Back Row) Isaac Calix and Jack Storry of grade 5, Gabe Koval and Lauren Rutten of grade 4, (Middle Row) Jade Storry and Joe Zimmerman of grade 3, Isabel Cole and Andrew Paklonsky of grade 2, front kneeling) Madison Perius and Isabelle Becker of grade 1, Carson Dewald and Grace Dalquist of kindergarten, (front sitting) Isaac Cole and Kennedy Judd of preschool. Jade Storry took the first place ribbon for 3-5 grades, Isabel Cole to the first place ribbon for grades 1-2, and Kennedy Judd took the first place for P-K.

### Reading for the Future

Your child's reading development is incredibly important for all future academic success. We recognize this at SHAS and strive to encourage student reading everyday in school and at home. We provide the Accelerated Reading (AR) Program, which we require students in grades kindergarten-fifth grade to participate in, and accomplish a minimum set reading goal. AR quizzes check student comprehension and holds them accountable to their reading. We strongly encourage students to read every night at home. This is very critical to new readers in kindergarten and first grade, where students receive prescribed reader booklets each week. Parents, please make sure this is being accomplished every night. The next two-three months of our self-discipline as parents and children will determine how prepared students will be for next year.

You can find magic  
wherever you look.  
Sit back and relax,  
all you need is a  
**book.**  
--Dr. Seuss



- Feb 7 Carnival
- Feb 10 Ash Wednesday Mass 8:30
- Feb 12 No School – Mid Winter Break
- Feb 12 Fish Fry - KC
- Feb 15 No School – Mid Winter Break
- Feb 19 Fish Fry – Gr. 5
- Feb 24 Mid Quarter 3
- Feb 26 Fish Fry – Gr. 3



**ALL raffle tickets sold and unsold need to be returned by TOMORROW at noon!**



This week the students are having so much fun celebrating Catholic Schools Week! So far this week, we played games in all the classrooms, had a Kryptonite Game on the playground, had our Spelling Bee and even got a visit from the Science Guy! The students had a blast learning that "It's not magic...It's SCIENCE!" They learned a lot about air pressure and oxygen. All the Superheroes had a great time at the Superhero Dance! Today we snuck in a little learning and started writing our compare and contrast essays. The students first filled in a Venn Diagram showing what is alike and different about their topics. I hope to see you at the Carnival this weekend! Thanks to everyone who organized the Carnival and who are helping out this weekend!  
Mrs. Detloff



A huge THANK YOU goes out to everyone who helped to make our supper/breakfast a great success. We made almost \$800.00 between the two. This will cover most of the expenses for our trip to St. Paul.



**Achievement Award Winners**

- Drake Dukowitz
- Jade Storry
- Joe Zimmermann
- Lilly Tyrrell
- Grace Dalquist
- Jack Storry
- Andrew Daniels

**Improvement Award Winners**

- Brooklyn Winter
- Carson DeWald

**Good Samaritan Award Winner**

- Clara Maros

**Gold Halo Award Winners**

- Kana Reese
- Jaxon Gregerson
- Madison Perius
- Tessa Jensen
- Ava Birkholtz
- Andrew Paklonsky
- Gavin Stevens

**Discipleship Award Winner**

- Landon Mertens

**January Students Of The Month**

- K – Chloe Larson
- 1 – Jaxon Gregerson
- 2 – Riley Reese
- 3 – Jade Storry
- 4 – Carter Gregerson
- 5 – Corrine Japke



Check the work schedule that came home with your child yesterday and make sure you are at your game on Sunday 10 minutes prior to your shift. We are still in need of some help from 11:30-1:30 so if you are able to stay longer or have an older child that can work a game please let Sandy know ASAP!

Love is  
PATIENT  
Love is  
KIND

*1 Corinthians 13:4*



**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.*



**There will be a pancake breakfast February 7<sup>th</sup> at Sacred Heart Church after the 8:30 Mass. All free will donations will go to SHAS. We are blessed with many people who love our school.**