

HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal

A Wonderful Day



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There will be hot lunch available on Friday, February 14th. For some reason it is not printed on the lunch calendar.

Grilled Mozzarella Sandwich
Buttered Corn
Veggie Tray
Fruit



Students of St. Henry's, Christ the King, and SHAS

Last Thursday (January 30th) students from St. Henry's Area School of Perham and Christ the King Catholic School of Browerville visited the students of Sacred Heart Area School for a day of Catholic Schools Week celebration. This day started with Mass at 10 am, which was followed by a dance for recess time. After the dance, the students enjoyed a sack lunch with other students of their grade level. Finally, the day was highlighted with a lyceum produced by the University of Minnesota Raptor Center. It was a fabulous day enjoyed by all!

Family Appreciation Night

We have the greatest appreciation for our Sacred Heart Area School families for all they do throughout the year for our school. In response the school will be hosting a family appreciation dinner (complimentary Giovanni's Pizza) at the school on March 19th, prior to the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. We hope you make it.

Spelling Bee Whiz Kids

The district-wide spelling bee was held last Thursday afternoon at Centennial Auditorium. All of us at SHAS are proud of our spelling bee whiz kids; 5th grader Rose Han, who took second place in the district and 7th grader Sophie Roberts who graduated from SHAS last May, took first place in the district. Congratulations to both of you on this great accomplishment! Sacred Heart

Area School is planning its annual Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee for grades 4-6 grade on March 19th at 6:30pm.

The Great iPad Giveaway Essay Contest

The Catholic Foundation - Diocese of Saint Cloud recently sponsored an iPad essay contest for Catholic Schools Week. Grade school students of our Catholic Schools were asked to write an essay with the theme, "How would you tell the story of Jesus by using an iPad." Through generous donations from thirty-five businesses and organizations, as well as The Catholic Foundation, **thirty-seven iPads** were awarded to **twenty schools**. Sacred Heart Area School received 2 iPads for the great effort put forth by its students! Congratulations to 4th grader Jadyne Vogel and 5th grader Rose Han for being our top essay writers. We are grateful for the work of The Catholic Foundation and its relationship with the Catholic schools of our Diocese.



Rose Han and Jadyne Vogel awarded iPads for SHAS

Carnival Success

Thank you to all of you who did your part selling raffle tickets or working at the SHAS Carnival last weekend, which raised about \$20,000 for the school. The total raffle sales were down from an average \$18,000 the past few years to \$15,000 this year. If any of you have any thoughts on what may have caused this decrease, please share with us for our future success. The carnival itself did much better this year with the new format and times. The cake walk itself, raised \$650.



- Feb 7 Two Hour Early Out
- Feb 12 Movie Night
- Feb 17 NO SCHOOL – winter break
- Feb 18 Spring Blast Meeting 6:45
- Feb 18 Centennial Meeting 5:30
- 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
- Mar 20 School Dance
- Mar 21 No School
- Mar 24 No School
- Apr 4 2 Hour Early Out
- Apr 8 Pre-K & K Roundup
- Apr 17 – Easter Break
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January



- Ava Birkholtz
- 1 - Alyson Jasmer
- 2 - Ethan Kalk
- 3 - Jack Storry
- 4 - Jady Vogel
- 5 - Rebecca Brown
- 6 - Thomas Koval



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.



Many thanks to our fish fry committee for planning these events, which we expect will be a fun and rewarding experience for the whole community!

To be hosted by each group of the following families once, based on the grade level of each family's oldest child.

Lenten Fish Fry Host Schedule

- March 7th - Grades 1 and 6
- March 14th - Grades 2 and 5
- March 21st - Kindergarten
- March 28th - Grade 3



Earn Cash for Our School!

The deadline to mail in box tops for this school year is March 1st. If you have box tops at home please get them in to the school before then. We collect all year round so please keep collecting and sending them in throughout the rest of the school year and during the summer also. They only mail out checks twice a year so this is the reason for the deadline. If you don't get them in before then don't worry we will get them in on the next mailing. Our last check we got from them was for \$540.00!!!! Thanks to all of you who collect and bring in BOX TOPS!!!!



Hello friends! The 2nd graders are back to work after all of our fun festivities over the last week! We have finished Unit 5 in math and will be moving on to money.

During reading we learned about an author's purpose for writing and similes. Our grammar has been challenging as we are learning how to show ownership using apostrophes. In science we are learning about solids, liquids, and gases. We have an exciting experiment coming up this week! The 2nd graders have now participated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and are now preparing for their First Holy Eucharist! Stay warm!!