



SACRED HEART AREA SCHOOL HEART TO HOME NEWSLETTER

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News from the Principal Jim Opelia

Do You Want to Build a Snowman?



2nd grade girls enjoying a hill of snow

After a very cold winter, with a lot of inside recess days and minimal snow, the boys and girls felt as if they were in Heaven this week, enjoying tons of snow and warm temperatures during outside recess.

Save the Date for Family Fun

We are so grateful to our school families for all they do. It takes the efforts of all to make this a great school for our children. People pull together for the good of all. This alone is a great lesson in life for the students.



kindergarten & 4th grade families serving at fish fry

SLUMBER PARTY & DANCE APRIL 20TH



On April 20th at 6pm, we will have a complimentary pizza supper made by Giovanni's Pizza. Your family is welcome! A dance and slumber party will immediately follow. All these fun treats are earned schoolwide incentive rewards for the students' success with the carnival raffle.

A New Season

The past 20 years at Sacred Heart Area School have been some of the best of my life. From the start, as a new teacher, I found a belonging to something special; a sense of something bigger, a part of a loving family that extended from the very young to the very old, with a love that extends beyond the boundaries of ancestry or friendships. In so many actions of generosity, I have been amazed at how people cared for each other, their school, and their God. I believe this is what attracts so many to our school. I also believe this is what makes it a special place for our children to grow in knowledge, faith, and a love for each other in the image of God.

After ten years of teaching 4th grade and ten years of serving as principal, I have found it is time for a new season in my life. This is not because of hard feelings, but a need for change; a positive change for the school, a positive change for growth and rejuvenation, and a positive change for my family and myself. Being principal of a small Catholic school has been both wonderful and a huge personal struggle. The longevity of my stay at Sacred Heart Area School, only reflects the love I have, and will always have for it. I am grateful to all of you for your patience, love, and hospitality you have shared with me over the past several years.

With a heavy heart, as well as a positive outlook for the school and my family, I will be resigning from my position as principal at Sacred Heart Area School as of June 30th, 2018. Thank you so much and may God bless our school, and each and every one of us!

Jim Opelia, Principal



- March 2 Fish Fry— Grades 5 & 1
- March 5 Spring Pictures
- March 9 No School— PLC
- Fish Fry— All Families
- March 16 Fish Fry— Grade 3
- March 20 Pre-K & Kindergarten Round up
- March 22 Confession after Mass— Gr. 2 – 5
- March 23 Fish fry— Gr. 2
- March 28 End of 3rd quarter
- March 29-30 No school— Easter break
- April 2 No school— Easter break
- April 16-20 MCA Testing Gr. 3-5



PRESCHOOL

Welcome to March and the spring-like weather. We have really enjoyed our opportunities to get outside and play in the fresh snow, however your child may be coming home with wet, smelly, snow clothes that need to be dried or swapped out for dry ones.

We just finished up spring conferences. They were well attended and it was wonderful to show parents all the progress the students made in a relatively short period of time. I hope spring conferences are something we can continue to do in Preschool. Please remember you can contact me at anytime with questions and concerns. We do not need to wait until conferences to schedule a meeting.

We are busy preparing for Preschool and Kindergarten Round-up March 20th. We are again offering the students an opportunity to try out Preschool or Kindergarten for the morning on the Wednesday after Round-up. Kindergarten eligible students can attend kindergarten class from 8:15-11:15 and then come back to preschool for the rest of the day. New preschool friends can drop in anytime from 8:00-noon to play for as little or as long as parents deem fit. (11:15-11:50 is recess and lunch is served at noon.) You can join us for lunch (upon request) too if you choose.

-Teacher Ann



The 5th grade class is doing a school wide money collection for Pennies for Patients. This project will run for another week with the final collection being Thursday, March 8th. These proceeds will be donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society in memory of Grandma Lucille. Our goal as a school is to raise \$300.00. If we reach that goal we will have a pizza party. Thank you for your help!



LOVE one another, As I have LOVED you.
John 13:34



REMINDERS

- ⇒ Spring picture day is March 5th. Order forms were sent home for both individual and group photos. There were some changes this year and now all packages including individual and group photos will need to be pre-paid. There is also a charge of \$10.00 for the group photo.
- ⇒ Purchase Scrip for the places you would shop at anyways and help raise money for the school. We have lots of cards on hand- several local businesses are participating!
- ⇒ Please continue to collect box tops for education.
- ⇒ Please remember to send winter clothing with your children everyday. This includes snow pants, jacket, hat, boots and mittens or gloves.
- ⇒ SHAS hats for sale \$20

Spring Blast 2018

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*Limited seating, so purchase your tickets now!
Individual tickets are \$30 per person.*

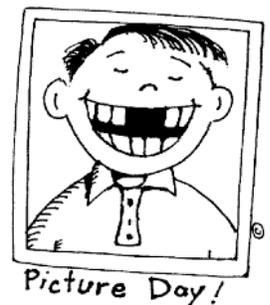
Mass: 4:00pm

Mint Julep Mingle with Cash Bar: 5:00pm

Supper: 6:00pm

Run For The Roses (Live Auction) Following Supper
Silent Auction Begins at 5pm

Show up in your Derby Best for a chance at a prize!



Monday, March 5th Group & Individual Pictures

Come with your best smiles!

Fish Fry Fridays 4:30-7:00pm at the church

March 2nd, March 9th,

March 16th, & March 23rd.



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.