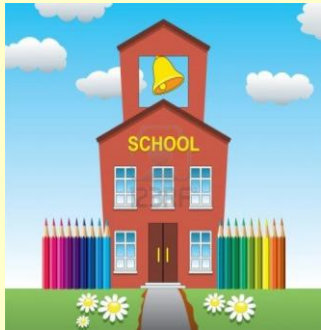


# HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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This week we mailed in over 3,000 Box Tops, that means a check for over \$300 for our school. Please continue to collect Box Tops and send them to school. If you do not have a collection sheet to put them on you can also put them in ziplock bags in sets of 50! Thank you for all of your help with Box Tops!!

## Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal

### Family Appreciation Night Dance and Slumber Party



On April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, in gratitude for the SHAS parents' hard work throughout the year, the school is hosting a family appreciation dinner, with complimentary pizza made by Giovanni's Pizza. We hope you can make it! The dance and slumber party will immediately follow, as rewards for the students' success with the carnival raffle.

### Upcoming Fieldtrips

Parents, don't forget our K-5<sup>th</sup> grade fieldtrip to Target Field in Minneapolis to watch the Minnesota Twins on May 7<sup>th</sup>! Parents who would like to attend this game would likely have to carpool since students and staff would max out the occupancy of the bus. Parents wishing to sit with us and get the group rate of \$11 per seat would need to decide and contact the school by the first week of April. Preschoolers will be taking a field trip to the Brainerd Zoo later in May. Thanks to your participation in our school dances, we have raised over \$1,500 towards all school fieldtrips to greatly reduce burdens on families and staff.

### Lent

The season of Lent started last week. This is a time of year where Christians focus on their relationship with God through extra prayer, self-discipline, and good deeds. At Sacred Heart Area School the children and staff are celebrating Lent with weekly school wide prayer services, daily reflections in their classrooms, and individual acts of stewardship, fasting, and/or prayer.

### Planning for Next Year

Our March 24<sup>th</sup> Preschool and Kindergarten Roundup is rapidly approaching. Invitations to Roundup will be going out to district families in the next few days, and new families will be enrolling their children for the 2015-2016 school year. Every year we send preregistration enrollment forms home to current SHAS families first, allowing them the first chance placement. You will see these enrollment forms coming home soon. Enrollment forms are important to the school for planning for the upcoming school year. This information determines staffing and the ordering of books and other school supplies. When received, please complete and return these forms by March 20<sup>th</sup>, indicating your intentions for enrollment in the next school year. No registration fee is required until August.

### Represented and Informed

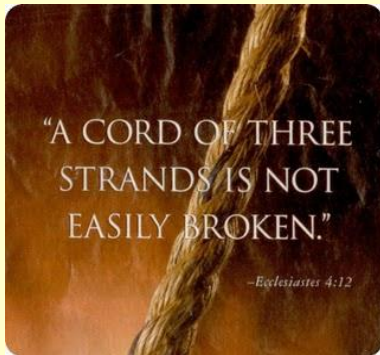
Each month the school advisory board meets with the principal and pastor to discuss planning, and decisions to be made for the school. This board is made up of school parents and parishioners representing you. If you have concerns or visions for the school that you would like to see addressed talk to the principal or one of the board members. They are; Linus Koval, John Reese, Katie Noska, Tracey Jimenez, Elizabeth Mathews, and Carol Lisson. To keep informed of what is happening, you can find board meeting agendas and approved minutes on the school website under the top tab "SHAS NEWS" and then selecting "School Advisory Board"

### Fish Fries

As part of the Catholic tradition, SHAS is hosting Community Fish Fry Dinners every Friday during Lent from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. This has become very popular in our community with some of the tastiest affordable meals produced by our school families in the Sacred Heart Church of Staples. This series of dinners raised \$9,000 for our school last year.



- Feb 27 Fish Fry
- Mar 6 2 Hour Early Out
- Mar 6 Fish Fry
- Mar 13 Fish Fry
- Mar 16 Spring Pictures
- Mar 18 School Dance
- Mar 20 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- Mar 20 Fish Fry
- Mar 23 No School
- Mar 24 Preschool and K Roundup
- Mar 27 Fish Fry
- Apr 2- 6 Easter Break
- Apr 10 2 Hour Early Out
- Apr 18 Spring Blast



### 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.*

# FISH FRY

All You Can Eat!

## Fridays During Lent

**Sacred Heart Area School  
Community**

**Lenten Fish "Fry" days**

**ALL YOU CAN EAT:**

**\*Fried Fish**

**\*Potatoes**

**\*Baked Beans**

**\*Cole Slaw**

**\*Bread**

**\*Homemade Desserts**

**\*Beverage**

**Dinner is served from 4:30-7:00 p.m.**

**at Sacred Heart Church, Staples**

**Adults \$9.00**

**Seniors (over 60) \$8.00**

**Children (4-12) \$5.00**

**3 & under FREE**

## TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

**Sacred Heart Area School  
Spring Blast**

**Saturday, April 18, 2015**

**At Sacred Heart Area School**

**Mass 4:00 PM**

**Social with Open Bar 5:00 PM**

**Buffet Style Dinner 6:00-7:00  
PM**

**Silent Auction starts at 5:00  
PM—**

**Live Auction will follow dinner**

**Limited seating so purchase  
your tickets now!**

**Individual tickets are \$30 per  
person.**

**Tickets are available to  
purchase at Sacred Heart Area  
School!!**

**Now accepting donations for our  
live and silent auction! Please drop  
donations off at the school!**



Hi from 5<sup>th</sup> Grade!

Here we are in the church season of Lent already. We are learning how to use this time for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We have been using the website [freerice.com](http://freerice.com), to not only practice our math skills, but to also help provide food for those in need.

We have finished NWEA testing for February. The final tests will be in May.

In Minnesota history, they have been learning about the early explorers of our state. They learned that the Falls of St. Anthony were discovered by Father Hennepin as he explored the upper Mississippi River.

In reading, we are learning about people with handicaps, in particular an affliction called cerebral palsy.

In math, we have been using our hands on material to learn more about fractions.

We are enjoying I Love to Read Month. We spent extra time reading on our bean bags on Pajama Day. Please encourage your child to continue reading books and filling out the chart.

God bless,  
Mrs. Trout

