

# HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## FISH FRY



**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**

## Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal

### Continuous Improvement

At the last school advisory board meeting, the board (our parent representatives) officially adopted the Marzano "Art and Science of Teaching" program, providing ownership in it for the whole school community. Our students and staff continue to move forward with it. Through collaboration, practice, and hardwork from the faculty, we see our opportunities to better ourselves and our students increasing. Some of the new practices in the classrooms this year are; posting scales for students to be self-aware of their learning, and encouraging higher level thinking, posting learning targets to create a more goal oriented atmosphere, and planning lessons that meet the intellectual needs of each individual. The goal for the school with this training is to provide the roadmap for all of us as students and staff to succeed at our highest level possible in learning and teaching. We are still new to the program and are learning as we go, but we are serious about continuous school improvement. To learn more, ask your child's teacher, board members, or the principal.

### Fish Fries are a Hit!



School families continue to provide Lenten Fish Fry Dinners for the community. Last Friday, 383 hungry tummies were filled. We see many people returning from week to week for the tasty fish dinner. It has also created a great atmosphere for fellowship amongst our neighbors. We especially thank our very dedicated fish fry committee, who you see each week working long hours to ensure success.

### 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.



On April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, in gratitude for the SHAS families' 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.

### Planning for Next Year

This week Sandy sent enrollment forms home to families. Your child would have brought these forms home earlier this week. Enrollment forms are important to the school in 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.

## Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 8, 2015



DON'T FORGET TO  
**SPRING  
FORWARD**  
one hour

Set your clocks ahead one hour before going to bed on  
Saturday, March 7th!



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
Apr 20-24	Iowa Basic Testing
Apr 24	Mid Quarter 4
Apr 24	Family Appreciation and Slumber Party
Apr 27-29	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Audubon Trip
May 1	First Holy Communion
May 4-8	Scholastic Book Fair
May 4-15	NWEA Testing
May 4-6	AAA Week
May 6	Parents Night and AAA Performances
May 7	Field Trip to Twins Game
May 8	2 Hour Early Out
May 22	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
May 25	No School
May 27	Last Day Of School ½ Day



### 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.*

## 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!**



### Donate some Food and be in a good Mood!

What a dilemma! Five thousand hungry people to feed with two fish and five little buns! Jesus blessed the food and not only did all the people eat until they were full, but there were twelve baskets left over. With this miracle, Jesus was revealing he was the Saviour!

Everyday millions of people in the world are hungry and don't get enough to eat. Can you be part of a miracle to help feed them? I challenge you to take a look inside your heart and donate to the Staples Area Food Shelf! It's easy. Send a donation of food or money to school with your child this week, and we will do all the work! Jesus works miracles through us sometimes. Be a miracle-worker.

*Jesus, you taught us to say "Give us this day our daily bread" in your special prayer. Teach me to be satisfied with enough and to share with those who don't have enough.*

Miss Rinke and the Preschool Class



5, 4, 3, 2, 1 BLAST OFF....

We started this month at school blasting off into space. As we explored the solar system, we learned about the planets, moon, sun, and stars. We joined up with the magic school bus and took a trip around the world. The Magic School Bus and the Preschoolers "Get Lost in Space" but it was a very fun and educational trip to the solar system. We also had some Valentine's Fun with our classmates this month. We enjoyed some good treats from our friends. We also traveled back in time to visit the Dinosaurs. The preschoolers have been busy in religion class. We have been memorizing weekly bible verses and have begun to memorize some important prayers. This Lenten season we will be working on the Stations of the Cross. The preschoolers will have a chance to make their first stations book by illustrating Jesus' journey to the tomb.

Bless You this Lenten Season!



Mark your calendars and get ready for Picture Day on **Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015**. Spring pictures work a little different, no money needs to be sent the day of pictures. Instead, all children are photographed and packages are sent home with your child and you can then decide if you would like to purchase them. Class pictures will also be taken that day so unless your child is sick, please try to have them here that day with their smiles ready!