

HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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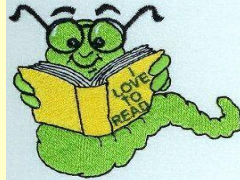
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LENT
Today is the second day of Lent, the season when we prepare for Easter. One of the things that many Christians do during Lent is repent. "Repent" means to turn around from doing wrong things and to go in a different direction—toward what is right. Let's think of one thing that each of us can repent of during Lent.

Continued Love for Reading

"I Love to Read Month" has been a fun and exciting month. We are very grateful to one local business, who wishes to remain anonymous, for donating \$500, or a dollar for each book SHAS students read last month. Although we based the average of 2nd grade and up, which was 500 books for K-6, students in grades K and 1 read considerably more of their shorter books this month. Thank you for your participation! Although we have concluded the month with this "Dr. Seuss Week", let us continue the spirit of loving to read all year round.



Celebrating Lent

Lent is a season of the Church where we strive to grow in our relationship with God and to be better people through selflessness and kindness. Yesterday, the children and staff celebrated the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday Mass at 8:30am. We will continue our Lenten journey with weekly school wide prayer services, Stations of the Cross, daily reflections in classrooms, and individual acts of stewardship, fasting, and/or prayer. The boys and girls will also have an opportunity to donate to the "March of Dimes". We encourage our families to do something special this Lenten season to grow into a deeper relationship with God. To set this example for our children, please join us on our journey!



Thank You Parents!!!

Thank you parents for your responses to work the fish fry! Our parents with students in grades 1 and 6 are working the dinner this Friday, while parents from grades 5 and 2 will work next Friday. Please contact Elizabeth or Sandy to commit to your designated week. This was a great idea from parents and will surely be a huge success by parents. God bless and have fun at the fry!

Thank You Miss Ines de la Cruz



The past two months, Miss Ines de la Cruz has been with us as a student teacher in Mrs. Trout's 4th grade class. Her last day is tomorrow. Last Friday she shared with all students in the gym, some of the highlights of her homeland, Spain, with a slide show and music. The 4th graders also performed a Spanish dance for the students in which Ms. Cruz taught them. Having her here as part of our school family has been a most enriching experience, which we are so grateful for. We will miss you Ines!!!



Start Thinking Graduation

This year's SHAS graduation will be an extra special occasion as we will be for the first time, graduating two of our classes, both 5th and 6th grades. The date has been set for the Friday morning of May 23rd, with a Mass and graduation ceremony to follow at the school. Save the date, especially families of our 5th and 6th graders.

2 HOUR EARLY OUT

DON'T FORGET about the 2 hour early out tomorrow, March 7th!
After school care will be available!



- Mar 7 2 Hour Early Out
- Mar 7 Fish Fry
- Mar 10 Sledding
- Mar 11 Spring Blast Meeting
- Mar 17 Spring Pictures
- Mar 20 End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar 20 School Dance
- Mar 21 No School
- Mar 24 No School
- Apr 2 Family Appreciation Night
- Apr 4 2 Hour Early Out
- Apr 8 Pre-K & K Roundup
- Apr 17 – Easter Break
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- Apr 24 Mid-Quarter 4
- May 2 2 Hour Early Out
- May 3 Spring Blast
- May 4 First Communion



“Teach the Word of the Lord to your children, talking about it when you sit at home.”

Deuteronomy 11:19



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.

PreK & K Roundup

Reaching Out

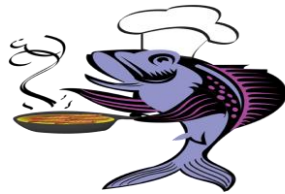
Our **Preschool and Kindergarten Round Up** will be held **April 8th**, in the school gymnasium. Please help us reach out to new families from our neighborhoods by spreading the word about our school. We invite parents with children from ages 3 to 5 years to attend this event.



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 “Got 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 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!



Lenten Fish Fry-days! Fish Fry Dates/Class Work Weeks

- March 7th (Grades 6 & 1)**
- March 14th (Grades 5 & 2)**
- March 21st (KC's)**
- March 28th (Grade 3)**
- April 4th (Grade 4)**
- April 11th (K)**

Please contact Elizabeth at 218-838-8580 or Sandy at 894-2077 to sign up. All families **are expected** to sign up on the designated date of the class their student is in and to also bring a pan of bars. If it is not your Friday to work please come and enjoy a delicious dinner. The meal includes

- All you can eat fish
- Potatoes
- Baked Beans
- Cole Slaw
- Bread
- Homemade Deserts
- Beverage

**\$9.00 adults, \$5.00 children
4-12, 3 and under are free!
Serving from 4:30- 7:00pm!!**

Daylight Savings Time



MARCH 9

Spring Forward!

Set your clocks ahead