

# Heart to Home Newsletter

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## Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal



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Just a reminder, if you are planning on attending the Twins game on May 7<sup>th</sup> with the students we need to know by April 1<sup>st</sup> in order to reserve enough extra tickets. If you are planning on going please let us know ASAP!

### Healthier Choices

This past week, volunteer, Mrs. Barb Peterson taught a class on healthy food choices for all students in grades Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. She explained the variety of foods we need to eat daily to get all the nutrients that our bodies' systems require, what appropriate servings are, and how to read ingredient labels. The students were amazed with some of the facts, realizing we most often don't eat the way we should. We eat foods with way too much sugar and eat multiple servings of what is recommended. We are grateful to Barb for sharing her expertise in health with our students and the impact that she has made.



*1<sup>st</sup> graders learning about healthy eating with Mrs. Peterson*

### Fish Fry Success



*Dedicated fish fry workers*

Tomorrow is the last Lenten fish fry for 2015. All of us from Sacred Heart Area School wish to thank those who supported our Lenten fish fry dinners by coming to dine with us each week. Our families had a great time frying, serving, and cleaning at these events which likely raised over ten thousand dollars for our school and were much enjoyed by customers. We especially want to thank our school families, the Knights of Columbus, and most of all, our fish fry committee. This group was there each week: Bryan and Amy Winkels, Curt and Shela McIlravy, Nathan and Katie Noska, Nate and Elizabeth Mathews, Richard and Stephanie Japke, and John and Barb Reese. They invested several hours each Friday to ensure success. Thank you for your incredible works!

### Looking Forward to Next Year

Tuesday evening, families from the Staples/Motley Area came to our preschool and kindergarten roundup to learn more about Sacred Heart Area School for their children's education. During this time, Ms. Rinke and Ms. Jonckowski familiarized parents to our kindergarten and preschool programs, while the children had fun participating in activities in their future classroom with future classmates.

### Playground Improvement Planning

Tonight the playground and maintenance committees will meet to discuss improvements to be made. They will be prioritizing desired improvements including; landscaping, furnishings, and aesthetics. Hopefully these will be addressed as early as this summer. Thanks to donations from parish and community members, nearly \$12,000 has been raised so far for our playground improvement fund. We are grateful!

# SPRING

Spring pictures are here! Please return payment or the picture packet by Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you!

# Mark Your Calendar

- Mar 27 Fish Fry 4:30 – 7:00
- 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

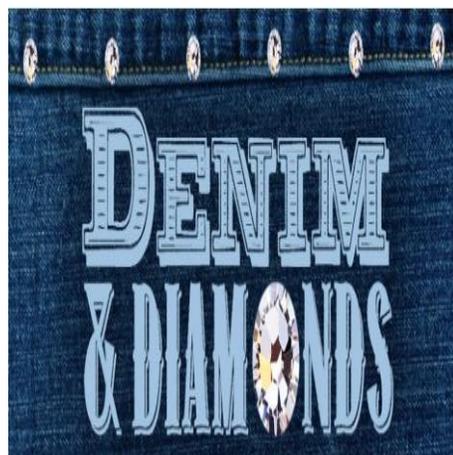


## Mission Statement

*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.*



**Please Help Us Plan**  
**If you have not yet turned in enrollment forms for the 2015-2016 school year, please do so as soon as possible or contact the school regarding your intentions for next year. This will benefit all our parents, staff, and students. Thank You!**



**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!!**  
**We are asking parents to donate items to our liquor and garden wagons. Each year these 2 raffles raise over \$1,000 each so please help us out!!**



Hello Parents!  
 Fourth Quarter is here!! It is hard to believe that we are already near the end of the school year. The second graders have been very busy these last few weeks. In math, we finished our unit on money and time. They were able to create their own classroom economy where they earned money each day. The students were then able to save or spend their money throughout the week and in our classroom store on Fridays. We had a blast! In English we are working with pronouns. We are also getting ready to begin our Spring Blast project! The students are very excited to get to work on this.  
 Mrs. Detloff



**The Spring Blast committee is in search of denim pockets. If you have any you would like to donate please drop them off at the school. Thank you!!**