

Heart to Home School Newsletter

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Principal's News, from Jim Opelia, Principal

Fabulous Fieldtrips

Tomorrow Sacred Heart Area School 3rd-6th graders will be off on an exciting all-day fieldtrip adventure to the Padelford Riverboats of Harriet Island in St. Paul and the historic 19th Century operational Kelley Farm of Elk River. Preschool-2nd grade students will also be going to the Kelley Farm next Wednesday. Please consider the variety of weather conditions we may encounter while dressing your students on the day of the fieldtrips. We recommend layers of clothing, (shorts and tee-shirts under sweatshirts and pants, etc...) Students will also need a sack lunch. If students bring any valuable electronic devices, they are responsible. Any games need to be appropriate for school.

exciting 2013-2014 school-year as our 100th year of serving the community. This summer we will be updating our library and renovating and securing our front entranceway. Feel free to stop by this summer to see how we are progressing. If you have not yet chosen your child's school for next year, please stop by and talk to us regarding what Sacred Heart Area School has to offer for your child next year. We want each and every one of our students, preschool - 6th grade, to remain with us until middle school. You are, and always will be, welcome as part of our family.

Pick a Theme

This year's theme for Sacred Heart Area School was "Wild for God". This was first promoted on our Railroad Days parade float last August. This week we are asking students for ideas for next year's theme, as well as how to decorate the 2013 float. If you have any ideas, please share.

Your Feedback is Important

Your Feedback is Important to us. Next week, we will be distributing an Exit Survey for families not planning on attending SHAS next year. We do appreciate and welcome positive and constructive feedback from all our families. This is how we will improve and continue to succeed in the future. Sacred Heart Area School will persistently strive for greatness. Thanks for a fabulous year!



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Congrats Grads!

Our preschoolers had a lovely graduation/concert performance today and will tomorrow at 2:30pm. It has been a wonderful year in preschool with staff, students, and involved parents. Monday will be our Kindergarten graduation at 2:30pm. Family and friends are welcome. Once again congratulations to our sixth graders who had their graduation mass and ceremony on May 3rd. We will miss you next year.

Ring Out the Old / Bring in the New

In conclusion, our End of the year Mass/Picnic is at 10:00am/11:00am on May 24th. We hope you can all make it. It is wonderful to see that nearly every one of our K-6 families and several preschool families plan to be with us again next year. We are anticipating an



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you!

A huge thank you to all of the families who helped make teacher appreciation week special for all of our teachers who work so hard here at Sacred Heart. They deserve it!!! Thanks again!!



May 17 Pre-K concert 2:30

May 22 Pre-K – 2 Field Trip to Kelley farm

May 20 Kindergarten graduation at 2:30

May 24 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! Mass and Volunteer Appreciation 10:00 am

Family potluck picnic following mass at Sacred Heart School

WANTED

Preschool class is in need of paper towel rolls, tuna cans, and old Halloween costumes. Please send these items to school. Thank you!



Turn to Jesus for protection in your time of need!



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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!



Please join us on Thursday, May 20th, at 2:30 pm for our Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony. May God bless each of our soon-to-be first graders.

Congratulations to:

Sophie Albie
Jacob Becker
Bryan Burrows
Drake Dukowitz
Jameson Harvey
Alyson Jasmer
Ryan Jennissen
Axel Mertens
Jade Storry
Lilly Tyrrell
Joe Zimmermann



Please check the lost and found next time you are at the school. We have a box full on the shelf next to the second preschool classroom. If these items aren't claimed by the last day of school we will be getting rid of them. Thank you!

3rd Grade ROCKS

Happy sunny days everyone! It is hard to believe that there is only one more week of school left for the year. Our reading stories tie in to how we are feeling for the summer and that is "freedom" - what it means to be free! Our first story was about the Statue of Liberty and how it has come to symbolize American freedom. It got us into discussing immigration and what it was like for the immigrants when they came over from their native lands. We also watched a few videos on the construction of and underlying reason for the Statue of Liberty. They were amazed to find out that the statue has not always been green. In math we have been talking about intersecting, parallel, and perpendicular lines, what makes up a polygon and classifying quadrilaterals. They find these much easier than those crazy fractions. We all hope you have a great summer vacation. Thank you parents for all of your support!



Family Picnic

Please join us for our annual "Last Day of School" picnic on Friday, May 24th, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Each family is asked to bring a potluck item to share. The picnic will be held right here at the school on the north side of the building.