

Heart to Home School Newsletter

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Principal's News, from Jim Opelia, Principal

A Very Busy Week

This has been a very busy week at SHAS. The rain cleared on Monday, just in time for our 4th graders to go to the district-wide "Hooked on Fishing" event. This annual event is meant to inspire a lifelong, positive hobby for the students. Several volunteers from the community volunteered by bringing groups of 4th grade students out in their boats on Dower Lake. On Tuesday our 4th, 5th, and 6th graders went to the science museum and state capitol of Minnesota. They had a great time and beautiful day.

This has also been a very special week with kindergarten graduation on Monday afternoon, and preschool graduations on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Tomorrow, Friday, May 23rd will be our special celebration to honor our 5th and 6th grade graduating boys and girls, starting with a Mass at 8:30am, which will be immediately followed by a program in the school gym. All are welcome! As we end this school-year, we are excited for our graduates and sad that they are moving on as well. God bless them in their many years ahead!

Mrs. Odden, who will be returning next year, took a one year leave of absence. Thank you Mrs. Ploof for letting your light shine at Sacred Heart Area School for all to see! You will be greatly missed.

Centennial

Don't forget, September 14th is our Centennial Anniversary! Plan to be around for a weekend of fun festivities to celebrate 100 years of SHAS. Take advantage of our new centennial yard markers now available in the school office. This \$20 package includes a centennial window cling, which is valued at \$5 if purchased separately. Show your school centennial pride, by placing your yard marker in your front yard this summer.



Centennial yard markers available in school office.

Thank You Parents

We want to thank all parents who do so much throughout the year. Thank you volunteers who helped with our Adopt a Highway ditch cleaning effort last Thursday evening. Those present were Carol Lisson, Barb Reese, Larry and Jeanne Odden, Bryan and Tyler Winkels, Mrs. Trout, and Mr. Opelia. It took the 8 of us two hours to complete the task. The ditch looks great!

Parent Volunteer Time

The school year is coming to a close. Parents who have not yet completed their minimum 8 hours of volunteer time need to contact the school so we can help you accomplish this so you are not burdened with these fees this summer. Call us at 894-2077 to take care of this. Some upcoming opportunities are the ditch cleanup, playground raking, varnishing school doors, and classroom and office painting.



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5th/6th Grade Teacher - Mrs. Kaia Ploof

Thank You Mrs. Ploof

Sacred Heart Area School has been blessed with the presence of Mrs. Kaia Ploof this school-year as our 5th/6th grade teacher. She has touched our hearts with her warm and pleasant demeanor, passion for teaching, and her love towards students and colleagues. She has been a true inspiration to us all. Mrs. Ploof took on this one year position as



May 23 SHAS 5th/6th Grade Graduation

May 26 No School

May 30 Mass at 8:30am (note time change)

May 30 Last Day of School ½ Day
(buses load at 12:05)

Please continue to collect Box Tops and Labels for Education over the summer!



Turn to Jesus for protection in your time of need!



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.

Last Day of School

Please join us for our annual “Last Day of School” picnic on Friday, May 30th. The potluck will be served at 11:00 am, so please be here with your potluck item by 10:30. Mass has been changed to 8:30am that day. 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. Remember it is only a half day of school that day with school being released 3 hours early, buses will be loading at 12:05!



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 are not claimed by the end of the day on May 30th, they will be taken to the Thred Shed!



Help with coffee and rolls after 8:30 am mass in June and July is needed. Please call Sue Storry at 296-0976 or email her at sjstorry@hotmail.com to find out how you can help.

3rd Grade ROCKS

Wow! We are down to 5 days and counting... It seems that each year goes by just a bit fast than the last and this year is no exception. It is amazing how much we have accomplished this year in third grade. I want to thank my students' parents who really worked with their child to read and practice math facts, for giving kind and encouraging words at the right times and for being very supportive of our school. I hope that my students will take the time this summer to practice the things they have learned throughout this year - especially the multiplication facts, cursive writing, and reading at least 20 minutes each day. I can't stress enough how much this will help them when they come back next year. I hope you all have a wonderful summer and that every day is as beautiful outside as it is today! See you next year.



Congratulations to the following fifth and sixth graders that have graduated from Sacred Heart and will be going to the Middle School next year. We will miss you!

- Ryker Beckner
- Rebecca Brown
- Rose Han
- Alex McIlravy
- Cole Winkels
- Lynnzie Dukowitz
- Thomas Koval
- Ancher Nelsen
- Katelin Olander
- Jack Tyrrell
- Ryan Wick
- Emmitt Winkels