

# HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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BRRR it's getting cold. Kids need to be coming to school with warm clothes, and soon they will be needing hats and mittens also. As soon as it snows, boots and snow pants will be required! Thank you!

## Principal's News

### WORK-ATHON SUCCESS



1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders raking at N.P. Park

On Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup> we had our 4<sup>th</sup> annual SHAS Work-athon. The event had us working at the city parks and cemetery. Preschoolers and kindergartners were on the Sacred Heart school grounds cleaning up the playgrounds. The first and second graders were at Northern Pacific Park a few blocks away raking leaves and picking up sticks. The third, fourth, and fifth graders were at Evergreen Hill Cemetery, removing overgrown sod from foot stones and raking leaves. The students learned about being respectful in the cemetery, realizing that all the monuments represent lost loved ones of others. Everyone had a great lesson in service to the community. The event raised nearly \$9000 for Sacred Heart Area School, far surpassing the \$8000 goal. Great work everyone! (see today's newspaper article on page 6a and don't forget to follow us on Facebook)



4<sup>th</sup>&5<sup>th</sup> graders edging foot stones at Evergreen Cemetery

from Jim Opelia, Principal

Welcome Jessi!



We welcome Jessica Alexander to our school family/team as our new secretary/health aide. Jessi has a warm, welcoming, personality, and will do an excellent job in our school office, as the first person that people meet, hub of communication, completing countless tasks each day, and working closely with staff and administration. Jessi lives a few miles from town with her husband and 4 children. Jessi, we are so glad you are here!

### Halloween Celebrations



Last night's Halloween Costume Dance was enjoyed by all in attendance. Students will enjoy classroom parties in their classroom next week as well. Please keep costumes appropriate. No toy weapons, Please! Stay safe trick or treating!

### All Saints Day Celebration

This year, SHAS students are invited to dress in an All Saints Day costume, dressing up as their favorite saint. We are encouraging this to spark interest and awareness of the saints of the church, as well as, discussion at home and in school of what they did, and how they are great role models for all of us.



Nov 3 No School-PLC

Nov 6 Picture Retake Day

Nov 16 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Nov 10 Veterans Day Program  
End of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter

Nov 23- Thanksgiving Break  
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Dec 1 2-hour early dismissal

Dec 12 Mid-Quarter 2

Dec 20 SHAS Christmas Program  
1:30 and 6:30 @ Sacred Heart Church

Dec 22 Last Day of School  
Before Christmas Break



You are all invited to the Sacred Heart Church Fall Dinner. They will be serving a pork loin and chicken dinner from 11:00am-1:30pm in the church basement. During those same hours there will be a bazaar at the school. There will be a baked items, perennials, jams and jellies, plants and garden produce for sale. There will also be 25 cent bingo during those hours. The raffle drawing will take place in the school gym at 1:30!

All are welcome!!



Reminder: Box tops collection sheets were sent home this week. We encourage students to collect these to raise extra \$ for the school.

**CHILDREN**  
are a *Gift from the*  
**LORD.**  
Psalm 127:3



### 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.



## 4th GRADE

In 4th Grade, we are learning many different things. In reading we are reading different selected stories in our big book, and then we are working on a specific skill on Thursday to go with the story. We have created concept maps about hurricanes, wrote paragraphs about our favorite parts and colored a picture, made a timeline and slideshow of a grandfather's journey, and even researched a desert animal and created a brochure for that animal. We are having fun learning these different skills, and we love using our new Chromebooks for these activities! In science, we just finished learning about inventors and innovators, and even created our own inventions using only a few supplies. Now we are taking that knowledge and using it to start an engineering unit. Inventors, innovators, and engineers are all connected, so we can't wait to see what they actually do. We are having a great time learning about different things, and we hope you have a great weekend!

- Mrs. P and the 4th Graders



**Christmas is only 59 days away.**  
**You can get almost any gift card you can imagine right here at Sacred Heart School. You are helping Sacred Heart out and getting your Christmas shopping done. For example, if you buy someone a \$100.00 gift card to Target, Sacred Heart would get 2.00 or if you bought someone a \$25.00 gift card to Old Navy, Sacred Heart would get \$3.50. It doesn't sound like a lot but it sure would add up fast and at no extra cost to you!! The next order will be placed on Thursday, November 2nd. We will place one at the end of November and also right before Christmas break!**

