

# HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Total mailed this school year:  
**This week we mailed out 3050 Box Tops that means a \$305.00 check to Sacred Heart, so please keep collecting and sending Box Tops to school!!**

## Principal's News

### A Great Weekend to Rest and Grow

Hopefully all of you had a chance to enjoy at least part of the five day weekend. I for one missed the sunshine, but enjoyed some time working and playing with the family at home. Monday, October 21st, Sacred Heart Area School teachers took part in the inter-district workshop at the Pillager Public School. Thank you District 2170 for inviting us each year! The highlight of the day was keynote speaker, David Horsager (originally from Verndale), author of "The Trust Edge" and an expert on trust in business. His message was inspiring as well as motivational to all present. His message was of the great importance of trust in any organization, and the cost to it when there is the absence of trust. The greatest portion of his lesson was the ingredients to developing strong trust amongst colleagues, customers, parents, teachers, and administrators. There were also 3 learning sessions with a variety of choices, and a grade level collaboration time between classroom teachers. In attendance were staffs from the Sebeka, Staples-Motley, and Pillager School Districts, Lake Region Christian School, Sacred Heart Area School, and Lakewood Health.

### Halloween Fun!

Last night, the children from our parishes and school enjoyed our Halloween Costume Dance here at SHAS. It was well attended. Concessions were made available by SHAS Home and School officers and school staff. Special thanks to Heather Rinke for her organizing and preparing food for this event! Next week will be Halloween. There will be costume and treat parties in classrooms. Please keep costumes, non-violent/evil nor terrifying to young children. Obviously we cannot have pretend weapons such as; swords, guns, and pitchforks. Boys and Girls, please have a very safe and blessed Halloween!!!

from Jim Opelia, Principal

### Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the afternoon and evening of November 7<sup>th</sup>. The preschool date could be extended due to numbers of students. Please take advantage of this time to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s), to work together, to strengthen our ability to make this his or her best year possible.

### Marathon

Our school's marathon was held Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. We had a beautiful day! Students in grades 1-6 made the journey from SHAS from the overpass to the Lincoln School Park. Preschoolers and Kindergarteners traveled up to the Northern Pacific Railroad Park. Our school families raised approximately \$10,100, which surpassed the goal set. We thank all of you who so generously pledged toward our students' participation. Thank you parents and students for all your hard work! Expect pony rides for preschoolers and kindergarteners the first week of November (prior to deer hunting) and a swim party the week of Thanksgiving. We also thank Kathryn Edwards (parent) for chairing this year's event. Next year's plans are for a service/work-a-thon.

### What's Your Talent?

Parents, our school is fortunate to have volunteers, Jill Albie and Heather Rinke as Co-chairs for this year's February 2<sup>nd</sup> Carnival. We are however, still in need of someone with leadership and organizational qualities to chair this year's May 3<sup>rd</sup> Spring Blast Dinner and Auction. If you feel you have what it takes, please consider leading this event! Contact us at the school office if you are interested. Our annual Spring Blast is not only our school's largest fundraiser, but also its biggest social event of the year. We are still looking for a parent who is interested and has the talent to assist us in making enhancements to our school website. Let us know of your interest.



Oct 27 Sacred Heart Fall Dinner  
 Nov 1 End Of First Quarter  
 Nov 7 Parent/Teacher Conferences  
 Nov 8 2 Hour Early Out  
 Nov 8 Parent/Teacher Conferences  
 Nov 11 Veterans Day Program  
 Nov 28- Thanksgiving Break  
     29 No School  
 Dec 6 Mid – Quarter 2  
 Dec 6 2 Hour Early Out  
 Dec 7 Craft Fair



## SCRIP NEWS

Scrip is an easy way to help our school earn extra money. You purchase gift certificates or gift cards through us and our school receives a percentage of what we sell. We have a wide variety of cards to choose from, including cards for gas, groceries, and clothing stores. There are also several local merchants that participate. Gift cards make great birthday, wedding, or graduation presents. If you have any questions, please call Sandy Becker at 894-2077. We have many of the cards on hand and can also place orders. An order form was sent home today for you to look through. The next order will be placed on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.



**“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.*



Sacred Heart Church in Staples will serve their annual fall turkey and ham dinner on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30am – 1:30 pm. In conjunction with the dinner a bazaar will be held at the school from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm, with bingo, a bake sale, produce, jams, jellies, plants and Halloween treasures. A raffle drawing will be held at 1:30 pm.



**Greetings from the 4<sup>th</sup> grade!**

**We have been working very hard on our class work! We learned how to make change in math. That is not always an easy concept to master. We have been learning how to write a friendly letter in English. On Monday, the students will be accomplishing one of their community service projects by helping the residents at the Care Center with a Halloween Party. It is amazing that the end of the quarter is right around the corner. Time flies when we enjoy working with each other!**



**PLEASE remember to send coats, hats, and mittens with your children when they come to school. Boots, and snow pants will be required when it snows so it wouldn't hurt to have them here in their lockers already. The students go outside for recess when the wind chill and temperature are above 0 degrees.**