

HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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We have been extremely lucky with above average temperatures but sooner rather than later cold weather will be returning. Parents are reminded that students need to dress appropriately for the weather and should be sent to school wearing suitable coats, gloves, and head wear. Students will be outside for recess everyday unless there is inclement weather, precipitation or extreme cold. As soon as it snows they will be required to wear boots and snow pants also!

Principal's News



VETERANS DAY

The students and staff are preparing for our annual Veterans Day Program which will be held at 10:00 am next Friday, November 11th. Everyone is invited to share in this opportunity to honor our veterans who have sacrificed so much for us. Observing Veterans Day is a great educational practice in teaching children a lesson in gratitude. One of the keys to living a happy, fulfilled life is in being grateful for all we have. We are very blessed to live in this wonderful nation, which has been built up and preserved by people like our veterans. The students of Sacred Heart Area School (SHAS) would like to invite everyone to their Veterans Day program Friday in the SHAS gymnasium. All are welcome! We want to take this time to honor our veterans for all they have sacrificed in order for us to live in peace and security in this wonderful nation. Thank you Vets!

Conferences and HELP

The Sacred Heart Area School staff is excitedly anticipating **parent/teacher conferences**, which are scheduled for Thursday, **November 10th**. 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. The SHAS website has a great **tool for families to use at home to develop specific skills based on NWEA MAP test scores**. Ask about these scores at conferences. To use the MAP based educational games, go to the sacredheartareaschool.org homepage, click on the "4Family" tab, scroll down to Educational Links, and then click on MAP Reading Games or Map Math Games. You will want your child to play games that are at their Rit score level for best results.

from Jim Opelia, Principal

Making A Difference

During conferences, if time allows, ask your child's teacher about what we are doing with learning goals and learning scales in the classroom. This fall, teachers have worked extensively on learning how to create the most effective scales that support meeting the academic standards. Also, in hopes that they would not go backwards academically over the summer, SHAS students worked on Summer Bridges Activity books. When compared to spring results, our students' fall NWEA test scores showed the benefit. This was most notable in the primary grades, where several students advanced over the summer months if they participated in this volunteer activity. Great work boys and girls!

Help us on...

facebook

If you are a friend of Sacred Heart Area School on Facebook, you can help promote our school by completing a review for our school. Several SHAS friends have completed reviews sharing positive comments for others to see. If you are not friends with SHAS on Facebook, please do so. Friends receive news and event updates frequently, keeping them up-to-date with what is happening in our building.

A Great Opportunity

As the holidays are approaching, take advantage of our SCRIP program. Your purchase of gift cards to area businesses at face value, through our office, benefits our school tremendously. Through the Scrip program, businesses pay our school a percentage of your gift card purchases, ranging from 2-16%. You lose nothing by doing this. Your \$25 gift card you purchase is worth \$25 in the store. These cards are available in our office from many of your favorite stores, such as; Target, Wal-Mart, Kohl's, and Home Depot. This holiday season remember Scrip and what it can do for your school.



- Nov 4 End of 1st Quarter
- Nov 8 Picture Retake Day
- Nov 10 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov 11 Veterans Day Program 10:00
- Nov 24- Thanksgiving Break 25
- Nov 28 No School/PLC
- Dec 6 Mid-Quarter 2
- Dec 21 SHAS Christmas Program 1:30 and 6:30 @ Sacred Heart Church
- Dec 22 Last Day of School Before Christmas Break ½ Day

Sing Unto The LORD A New Song. Sing Unto The LORD all The Earth.
Psalm 96:1



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.



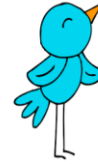
The Third Graders are very excited to kick off their service project for the year. They will be collecting money to help provide Bible Sticks to our men and women in the U.S. Military that are deployed in some of the most dangerous areas of the world. Please see the green sheet that came home today for more information about this exciting project.



Help us bring hope to our troops!



There will be a carnival planning meeting on Monday, November 21st, at 5:30 pm at Lefty's. Hope you can make it!!



5th Grade News

May 8, 2015

Wow!

It is hard to believe that the first quarter of school is already finished. We have been so busy learning, that the time has just flown by.

We traveled to Old Wadena and learned about our environment. We went to the Fire Hall and learned about fire safety.

We did community service by making the crusts for the apple pies and helped to clean up Pine Grove Park. We have been working very hard at becoming proficient in addition, subtraction and multiplication. We just finished reading a novel, *Brian's Winter*. It is written by a Minnesota author, Gary Paulsen.

They created villages that represent different Native American tribes. We are now learning about the election process.

We prayed the rosary during the month of October. The students worked on knowing the parts of the rosary and the prayers.

We used our laptops to do research and to type up reports.

We do take some time to have fun too. We celebrated Halloween with a party and a dance.

God bless,
Mrs. Trout



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!

K - Taylee Reese

1 - Stella Daniels

2 - Joey Opelia

3 - Avery Japke

4 - Jade Storry

5 - Lauren Rutten