

HEART TO HOME SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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PLEASE remember to dress your child appropriately for the weather. The kids should be wearing warm coats, hats and mittens. The children are **required to wear snow pants and boots for the rest of the winter!!**

If they do not have them they will be staying in for recess!!

Principal's News

from Jim Opelia, Principal

Thank You Veterans



preschoolers & kindergarteners sing songs to thanks the vets

Being Thankful

The month of November is a month of Thanksgiving. Sacred Heart Area School students did a marvelous job of showing they are thankful last Monday in our veterans program. This annual program is a great lesson in gratitude for us all. One of the keys to living a happy, fulfilled life is in being grateful for all we have. We are grateful and happy to live in this wonderful nation, which has been preserved by people like our veterans.



The 5th Grade Color Guard

We Are All Teachers

The lesson of gratitude needs to be taught by all of us. Be sure to let your children know how grateful you are for what you have, and what they should be grateful for. To do this, we need to take some time to reflect on what we have, such as; we woke and stood up, walked through our warm house, we had food to eat and share with our healthy loved ones etc... Encourage your child(ren) to thank God each day for what they have.

Next week we have a great opportunity to teach our children gratitude as we have our luncheon for our volunteers who are not parents of students at SHAS, but help us out in so many ways. You may not be able to contribute a dish or help serve at this event, but we can all help remind our children how loving these people are and how much they should be appreciated. Remember, that being grateful for their blessings will bring content and happiness to their lives. The staff members at our school greatly appreciate parents for what you do in this job of shaping our wonderful students, and the sacrifices made for the children and their school. In an already busy world, we have a huge job ahead of us, but it couldn't be more rewarding. Thank you and God bless your families this week!

A Huge 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 our gift card purchases, ranging from 2-16%. You lose nothing by doing this. The \$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 Wal-Mart, Target, and Giovanni's. This holiday season remember Scrip and what it can do for your school.

“To be grateful is to be happy.”



- Nov 21 Volunteer Appreciation Lunch
- Nov 28 NO SCHOOL – Happy Thanksgiving
- Nov 29 NO SCHOOL
- Dec 6 Mid-Quarter 2
- Dec 6 2 Hour Early Out
- Dec 7 Craft Fair
- Dec 18 SHAS Christmas Program
- Dec 20 Apple Pie Day
- Dec 21- Christmas Break
Jan 5
- Jan 6 School Resumes



*Sacred Heart Area
School Annual Craft
Fair*

One Day Only

Saturday, December 7th

324 4th St NE, Staples, MN

9-2

**Crafters – Artisans – Baked Goods –
Home Business Vendors –
Concessions**



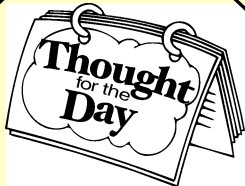
We need your help with items for the bake sale that we will be sponsoring on December 7, 2013. The bake sale will be in conjunction with the Christmas craft sale that is sponsored by Sacred Heart School and our profits from the sale will be donated to the school. Some ideas for the bake sale would be cookies, brownies, pies, cupcakes, breads, caramel rolls, and pints or quarts of items you have canned over the fall. We will price these items for you and would love if you could drop them off at Sacred Heart School by Friday, December 6th, before 5:00 p.m., or Saturday, December 7th by 9:00 a.m. A sheet will be sent home next week with more information.

Last year the bake sale was 50% of our profit, so please volunteer to chip in!

Another thing to keep in mind as you are baking is that Sacred Heart is in charge of coffee and rolls in December after 8:30 am mass, so feel free to throw some stuff in your freezer and prepare ahead of time for that also..

Kindergarten

In kindergarten we keep cruising along. In reading we have finished unit 1 and have gotten a good jump on our first story in unit 2. They continue to amaze me with everything they are grasping in reading and they are really utilizing it in our Classroom. In math we are starting unit 3 dealing with plane shapes and fractions. I'm excited to get going with these topics and see what they know and learn along the way. As the months continue to fly by, we have lots of learning as well as fun going on in our Classroom. Let's continue to make the most of each day and make these next couple weeks great before break!



*“The LORD is with me;
He is my helper.”
Psalm 118:7*

*God plus you –
a partnership
that won't fail!*



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.



RAFFLE CALENDARS

We encourage you to sell as many calendars as you can, if there are some that you know you aren't going to be able to sell, please return them to the school so that we can try to get them sold. Thank you!!