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of the  
Catholic Diocese  
of Saginaw*

*OUR Faith*

*OUR Kids*

*OUR Mission*



## *St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER*

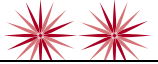
### **Mission Statement**

*The Staff, parents and community of St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School work together to offer students a safe supportive and nurturing Catholic environment. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we are committed to Gospel values and discipleship.*



### **FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK**

**Wednesday, October 19, 2011**



Good morning!

The smell coming from the kitchen is making us hungry for soup. Thank you to all the volunteers that have been giving their time to make this a success once more. Thank you for all the boxes that came in for take-out orders, and the pies and breads for this evening. Orders for lunch take-outs keep coming in!

The MEAP tests finally arrived last Friday, a little late, but they arrived. Our October calendar had dates for MEAP in it. With the tests came the instructions for administration with a new date schedule. Anyway, we will be able to complete all the testing within the allotted times after making up a couple. To ease your anxieties, we do not prepare students for testing and we do not teach to the test. Our teachers teach the diocesan curriculum that is aligned with the state curriculum. The students take the test as one more activity. If they are absent on a test date, they can make it up another day.

This weekend Home & School is working the concessions at Johnson's Pumpkin Farm. We are still in need of workers for Saturday. Please, contact Tonya Hawken if you can help.

The girls' 5-8-grade basketball team has shown what perseverance is all about. In spite of adversity they kept playing and showed good sportsmanship. Good luck at the tournaments on Saturday. Go Eagles!

***There's been a change in our calendar. There will be no mass on Friday 28<sup>th</sup>. Instead, school mass will be on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>. On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> there will be a word and communion service followed by a living rosary. You are all invited to join us.***

Our band program seems to be taking off. Ms. King tells me that the children are doing great. I can't wait to hear them play! I just wish more children joined. We have some more instruments and I am looking into getting some more as they become available at low price. Just now I received the donation of another snare drum. Thank you Tony!

Let us pray,

***Lord, you see and remember every act of kindness and generosity and store them in your heart.***

***Help me store up my treasure in heaven, so that I can share everlasting life with you at the end of time. Amen.***



### **LITURGY CORNER**

**Friday,  
October 21**  
8:30 a.m. School Mass



**Wednesday,  
October 26**  
8:30 a.m. School Mass

**Friday,  
October 28**  
Word & Communion  
Service &  
Living Rosary

### **OCTOBER MONTH OF MARY**



### **Mark your Calendars**

**Tuesday,  
November 1st**  
All Saints Day  
Mass - 9:00 a.m.  
(this is a holy day of  
obligation)

**Wednesday,  
November 2nd**  
All Soul's Day  
Mass - 7:00 p.m.

## NEWS YOU CAN USE IN THE CLASSROOM

### OCTOBER AT A GLANCE

**Wednesday, October 19th**  
Annual Soup Supper  
Dine-In or Take-Out  
4-7 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 26th**  
3rd & 4th Grade  
Field Trip to  
Murphy's Farm  
St. Charles

**Monday, October 31st**  
End of First Marking  
Period

**NO REESE PUBLIC  
SCHOOL BUS**

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### LOOKING AHEAD IN NOVEMBER

**November 2-4**  
5th & 6th to  
Hartley Outdoor  
Nature Center

**November 22**  
8th Grade to  
Tuscola Tech Center  
8:30 – 11:00 A.M.

**November 23-25**  
Thanksgiving Break  
Classes Resume  
**Monday, November 28**

### Mrs. Cameron – Young Fives/ Kindergarten

We have had a lot of parent helpers in our room lately. Thank you to Mrs. Barbat, Mrs. Findlay, and Mrs. Wasik for all of your help. The children are back on the normal Tuesday library day. I am asking the children to drop off their library books in the classroom, in the blue tub, rather than the book drop outside of the library. This way Mrs. Barbat can check in the books before the children check books out.

Our Halloween party in the classroom will be on Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 – 11:00am. Students can dress up in a costume that day. Students may also bring a treat or small treasure to pass out to their classmates on this day. The afternoon will be the Student Council Halloween games in the gym and then a movie in our room. Parents are welcome to join us for our Halloween party...don't forget to wear your costume!

Thank you to Mrs. Russell for the white banner paper for my classroom.

Thank you to all the families that volunteered for the soup supper. The school has smelled so good the last couple of days! I am looking forward to serving soup to the members of our parish and community tonight.

Have a wonderful week! Blessings, Mrs. Cameron

### Mrs. Territo – 1st & 2nd Grade

As parents and volunteers prepare for tonight's Soup Supper, and I am surrounded by the delicious scents and aromas emitting from the lunchroom kitchen, I am once again so impressed with the St. Elizabeth School and Parish Community. (And I can't wait to eat!)

I'm sure that many parents heard by now that the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade class was able to Skype with my son, Michael, last week. He is a corpsman in the US Navy and is currently deployed in the Middle East. We were able to communicate with him, via the computer, while he was in liberty in Dubai. We projected his image on the large screen in the classroom. As an English assignment, the students wrote several "asking sentences" to read to him. He was able to speak to each student and answer all their questions. Some of the questions asked were: "What does it feel like to rescue someone?" "Is being in the Navy cool?" "How do you drive the boat?" "What is it like to fly in a helicopter?" and "Do you like having Mrs. Territo for a mom?" It really was a wonderfully engaging experience for the students. (And the teacher loved it too!)

There's less than 2 weeks left to the first marking period. Things are moving along very well in the classroom. For the most part, the kids are working hard and staying on track. Thank you to Becky Boensch who has volunteered to help the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade students with AR tests in the morning before prayer. Please, keep reading with your children in the evenings and send their completed books in for testing. See you at the Soup Supper!

### Mrs. Redwanz – 3rd & 4th Grade

I would like to thank all the families that helped in the preparing of the soup supper and to those that will be helping tonight. I hope to see you all there tonight! The soup is always so yummy!!

Next Wednesday we will be going on a field trip to Murphy's Farm in St. Charles. We will be leaving school by 8:30 in the morning and will be returning in time for dismissal. Permission slips went home today with this newsletter. Please send the slip back in with \$10 per student. This price includes the cost of the trip as well as the transportation. Any parents that would like to go are free of charge. Please let me know in advance if you would like to go because I need to call by next Monday to let them know a final count. Students must pack a lunch and drink that day.

**Reminders: Book orders are due this Friday. Book reports are due Monday.**

Have a fabulous week!



*Mrs. Bojo – 5th & 6th Grade*

One last reminder that the money for Hartley is due on **October 28<sup>th</sup>**. Mr. Blashka visited yesterday and talked with the students about Hartley. He showed several videos and a nice slideshow of what students will be doing when we are away at camp.

Thank you to Mr. Pierce for leading us on Monday when we said the rosary! Next Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, the entire student body, K-8 graders, will be taking part in the “Living Rosary”. Feel free to join us after the Liturgy of the Word for this wonderful event.

A huge “Thank You” to the following families: O’Dell, Fassone, Papesh, Parman, Stuart, Barber, Beattie, and Lehman for their delicious donations for our baked goods sale. I would also like to thank Mrs. Territo and Ms. Wilcox, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade families, for their donations to our bake sale, as well! That was so generous of you both! We made \$96.75 from this bake sale! Thank you everyone for supporting us! We have enough to cover the cost of the high school counselors for our trip. Yay!

I’m looking forward to seeing everyone tonight at the soup supper! Come and join us for a delicious meal and great fellowship!

**Just a reminder, the Scholastic book orders are due back by October 25<sup>th</sup>.**

The end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marking period is approaching quickly! Students have been receiving weekly progress reports. This past week, I sent home a report on students’ AR points. Please encourage your child to read at home nightly. Reading is the key to success!! The only way to become a better reading is to read, read, read!!

Have a good rest of the week!

☺ ~Mrs. Bojo

*Mrs. Papesh – 7th & 8th Grade*

All classes have had extra credit given out. It will be due on October 31<sup>st</sup>, which is the end of the marking period. Students are really working well and are getting close to reaching those AM & AR goals. Don’t forget you have to make your AR goal in 3 marking periods and exceed in the 4<sup>th</sup> to go swimming at Delta!

Thanks in advance for the all the hard work done at the Soup Supper and thanks to the class for serving. I know you’ll do a great job!

Thanks also in advance for the hard work at the Pumpkin Farm this weekend. Hopefully the weather will be nice.

Finally, the 8th graders will be visiting the Tuscola Co. Tech Center on November. 22<sup>nd</sup> with the Reese 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Look for a permission slip in the coming weeks.

## **STUDENT COUNCIL CORNER:**

*from your President Tommy Papesh*

The student council has discussed jean days for the month of November in our latest meeting. They will be announced in the calendar for November. I'm happy to report that the pep assembly for the girls' basketball team was a success. Too bad the teachers won!



### **Christmas Food Basket Program-United Community Christian Service**

It's that time of year again! Time to join together with our community for the annual *Christmas Food Basket Program*. St. Elizabeth School's Student Council would like to help again this year by having school families bring in can goods, cereals, (non-perishable items) and please watch for the expiration dates.

*A box will be placed at the cross in the front entrance of the school to place your donations.*

All donations need to be collected by the end of November so that the food can be sorted and distributed to the families in early December.



**SPORTS PICTURES  
5TH-8TH GRADE  
GIRLS' BASKETBALL**

**Thursday, October 20th  
3:15 p.m. promptly  
REMEMBER YOUR  
UNIFORM**



### **It's HERE U.P. Pasties Sale**

Orders will be taken on **Soup Supper** night  
Wednesday, October 19th.

**Or give Mary Hartman a call: 868-4566.**

Order will be ready for pick-up:

**Wednesday, November 9th**

**Noon until 3:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, November 10th**

**3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.**

There is a limited amount of U.P. PASTIES made so be sure to call ASAP and place your order. **THEY ARE YUMMY!!!**



**ATTENTION!!!**

**3rd & 4th Grade  
CO-ED BASKETBALL PLAYERS**

**Your 1st Practice is on  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH**

**after school until 4:30 p.m.**

**Games will begin the first week in  
November!!!**

**COACH, BRIAN CHILDERS**