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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.

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Good morning!

We officially welcome Mrs. Cristina Wolschleger as 3-4 grade teacher. She is co-teaching with Mrs. Redwanz. This allows them to split the groups and work with 7 to 11 students at a time. Ms. Mary Nicholson is also in the room in the morning. Before the games tonight we invite the 3rd-4th grade parents to come and meet with the teachers so they can share how they have organized the work in the room. See you at 5:30!

We also welcome Mitchell and Michael Sheridan and their parents Kelly and Mike. Well, this is really a welcome back since both boys attended our preschool and Mitchell also attended kindergarten here. We are very happy to have them in 3rd and 5th grade.

Tonight we have basketball games here at St. Elizabeth. It will be a tough night since the first game is St. Elizabeth gold playing against St. Elizabeth blue. Can't cheer for one or the other but for both. May they enjoy playing against each other and learn to win or lose with dignity. At 7:00 PM, St. Elizabeth blue team plays against St. Anne's. Go eagles!

Tomorrow is the feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. We will attend mass at 8:30. You are all welcome! To celebrate St. Elizabeth, the students have been involved in different activities to learn about her and to imitate her. They have been collecting food and other items for the local food pantry. They have also been collecting items for the troops in an effort to help Santa to Baghdad. Today's jean day money will go to pay for the shipping of the items we are sending the troops. They have also written letters to soldiers. They are doing extra chores at home and winning either canned goods or packaged cookies for their effort. The canned goods will go to the food pantry and the cookies to the East Side Soup Kitchen. The children will pack the cookies in plastic bags. Packaged cookies and any unopened packets will be delivered to the East Side Soup Kitchen for their after school program. Students in 7th and 8th grade have been cleaning the church this month.

Huge thank you to Mrs. Territo for organizing our Veterans' Day celebration. And thank you also to Miss Paige the choir teacher for a great job teaching the children the songs that they so beautifully sang. We were honored to receive so many veterans: dad, grandpas, friends, parish members. It was our way of saying thank you for your service.

We have received a donation of computers and we may not be using them all. If any family can use one at home, please let me know. It is our way to help those families that haven't had a chance to get one yet.

We need help with the sale of ca\$52 tickets. This fundraiser makes around \$6,200 for our school. We need to sell all the tickets. They make nice Christmas stocking stuffers! For only \$10 you have the chance to enter for 52 drawings and win anything from \$25 to \$500!

Have a great Thanksgiving with family and friends. Once more, I will thank God for being a part of St. Elizabeth! Blessings to all and drive safely if you are on the roads. Ms. Gabbie

LITURGY CORNER



Thursday, November 17th
8:30 a.m.
School Mass
St. Elizabeth of Hungary Day

Friday, November 18th
NO SCHOOL MASS

Sunday, November 27th
1st Sunday of Advent

As we get ready to
celebrate
St. Elizabeth of
Hungary,
let us pray:

*Father, you helped
Elizabeth of
Hungary to
recognize and honor
Christ in the poor of
this world. Let her
prayers help us to
serve our brothers
and sisters in time of
trouble and need.
We ask this through
our Lord Jesus
Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns
with you and the
Holy Spirit, one
God, for ever and
ever. Amen.*



CALENDAR NOVEMBER

Monday, November 21st
COOKIE DOUGH
ORDERS READY FOR
PICK-UP AFTER
SCHOOL

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

November 23-25
Thanksgiving Break

Monday, November 28
Classes Resume

Monday, November 29
5:30 p.m. Yule Lighting
Program at Trinity
Lutheran

LOOKING AHEAD IN DECEMBER

Wednesday, December 14
First Reconciliation
6:30 p.m. at St. Norbert's

Tuesday, December 20
Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 21
through
Monday, January 2

CHRISTMAS BREAK

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3
CLASSES RESUME



Mrs. Cameron – Kindergarten

Last week's Veteran's Day performance was wonderful! All of the students did a great job singing. I am so proud of the children. A special thank you to Mrs. Territo and to the choir teacher, Ms. Page for all of their hard work in putting together a special morning for our Veterans.

Thursday we will be attending Mass to celebrate the feast day of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. Please join us for Mass at 8:30am.

A few of the children have completed their extra chores at home and have brought in their pay of can goods. Thank you for helping your children complete this opportunity of service for our community. We will continue to collect items for the food baskets through Friday.

Thank you to the Findlay family for the donation of posters for our classroom.

Friday will be an Everything Pop Sale, so bring your quarters. This snack sale will help raise funds for our 7th & 8th grade prayer buddies, who will travel to Washington D.C. this next spring.

It is getting cooler out and we are going outside daily. Please remember to dress your children in warm coats, hats, and mittens.

Blessings, Mrs. Cameron

Mrs. Territo – 1st & 2nd Grade

Our students did such a wonderful job honoring our veterans last Friday. I spoke with many of the Veterans that attended our celebration and they all told me what a special and enjoyable morning it was. Nice job, boys and girls!

Our canned goods collection for the Reese area Food Pantry is going well. Parents please keep giving your children extra chores around the house and paying them in canned good to be donated. What a great lesson about community service for our young people to learn, as well as a wonderful way to support the community.

Today, in your child's take-home folder is a slip with their new AR goal for the 2nd marking period. We have approximately 8 weeks left to the marking period, so please make sure they are reading, reading, and reading! There are many opportunities to test in our classroom throughout the week.

Also going home today are several Scholastic Book Order catalogs. Please feel no pressure to order. I will only do a couple orders this year, but I like to have an order for Christmas. Checks and completed order forms are due back by Tuesday, 11/22. Or you can make things easy for yourself (and me!) and order online at Scholastic.com/book-clubs by using our activation code JZ7TK.

Starting next week, 1st/2nd grade students will have a weekly book report sheet due every Thursday. We will be completing several of them in class this week. More information coming, next week!

Enjoy the rest of the week!

Mrs. Redwanz & Mrs. Wolschleger – 3rd & 4th Grade

We will be having an **Open House tonight at 5:30 pm** so that everyone can meet Mrs. Wolschleger. We will also explain our new daily schedule. We hope to see you all here tonight before the basketball games. Go 3rd and 4th grade Eagles!!

Tomorrow is the feast of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. Please join us for mass at 8:30 am. Also, if you haven't already done so, please send in your box of cookies, as we will be packaging them tomorrow afternoon. As mentioned in the letter that went home on Monday, we will be sending the packaged cookies to the Hunger Solution Center where they will be used for the after school program. Please make sure that you are giving your child plenty of "extra jobs" to do this week in order to earn the cookies that will be sent.

Have a great week!!

VG'S COMMUNITY SHARE POINTS INFO:

from your Chairperson, Carol Starling

Thank you for sending in the VG Community Share Points. We recently turned in 110,000 points. **Remember, we only need the bottom of the receipt with the points indicated.** Ask your relatives to save theirs too when they do their holiday shopping.



Mrs. Bojo – 5th & 6th Grade

Last week I forgot to thank Mr. & Mrs. Boensch, Mrs. O'Dell, and Ms. Gabbie for taking us to and from Hartley. We really appreciate you helping us out!!

Yesterday the St. Elizabeth of Hungary note went home. I hope your child is busy doing chores around the house for you. I forgot to put in the note that the cookies need to be back to school this Friday, so we can package them up in baggies to be delivered to the Hunger Solution Center on Monday for the children in the after school programs. Thank you again for your generosity!

It was so nice meeting with all my parents last week during conferences! The 2nd Marking Period is off with a bang!! The students are progressing nicely and I am pleased with their progress! As always, please feel free to call or email me with any questions or concerns.

Also, thank you to all the parents who helped their child with the poetry projects! They were all so awesome to read! I could tell the students put so much effort into them!! I have them entered into a poetry contest and I am working on creating a book of poems for our school with selected poems from their books.

This week we welcomed a new student and family, Michael Sheridan. We are thrilled that you are in our classroom!

Good luck to the 3rd and 4th grade basketball teams tonight when they play each other!! Have fun!!

Have a good rest of the week! ☺ ~Mrs. Bojo

Mrs. Papesh – 7th & 8th Grade

We had a wonderful turnout for our Veteran's Day Mass and Celebration. Job well done students and special thanks to Mrs. Territo for organizing this momentous event.

Friday, our class is having its first of many Everything Pop Sales to get us to DC. We can always use donations of cans of pop, popsicles, lollipops, pop rocks, pop tarts, or any other great items. As an incentive, I've told the students if they bring in a box of product they will get a free item at the sale. Thank you to the families of Jill, Erin, Carly, Jack, Lorenz, and Lauren for already bringing in items. Preliminary costs are as follows.

Pop - Cans \$1.00, cup - \$.50
Popsicles (slims) - \$.25 (fancy) - \$.50- \$1.00
Popcorn - \$.50
Pop Tarts - \$.50 for 1, \$1.00 for 2
Pop Rocks - \$.75
Ring Pops or Blow Pops - \$.50
Juice Boxes - \$.50

Tomorrow is our Patroness St. Elizabeth's Feast Day. Please join us for mass at 8:30 if you are able. Also, our class and others will be packaging cookies for the after school snack program sponsored by the Hunger Solution Center. Please bring in a package of store bought cookies for the program. Thank you again!

With the short week ahead I wanted to make sure to wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving. May our Heavenly Father continue to bless you and your family during the upcoming Holiday season and thereafter.

Reese Community Theater
Presents: "ALICE IN WONDERLAND JR."
Tickets can be purchased at The Village Florist or at the door.
\$6.00
Saturday, November 19th – 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 20th – 3:00 p.m.
Reese High School Auditorium



\$100 Dinner Dance Update:

Amanda Hecht, Chairperson

Hi there!! Well, look who has found themselves as the \$100 Dinner Dance chair again???? You guessed it....Me!!! For those that may not know what this wonderful event we call the \$100 Dinner Dance is I will tell you. This event is held annually in February and is a major fundraiser for the school. For \$100 you get a ticket for two that includes a dinner buffet, unlimited drinks and dancing. Plus, with your ticket you have a chance to win \$3,000!!! There are a lot of prizes given away this evening and a ton of fun is had by all.

Now, in case you didn't know this will be my 8th year chairing this event. I have been in search of a new chairperson for a few years now but next year this will become dire. It will be my daughter's last year next year so it is important that someone "shadows" me and learns the ropes (if you like to plan parties then this is the gig for you). Everything is written down and the dance practically plans itself so if you think you may fit the bill, then let me know.

We usually have a planning meeting in November but since there wasn't a Home & School meeting this month we will skip it and have one in December. I have gone ahead and reserved the caterer and security. I have spoken with a few committee members and a theme has been decided. In honor of Fr. Tipton and his fond childhood memories of Motown and growing up in Detroit, we decided it was a fitting theme. We thought that would be a very cool way of welcoming him into our parish and school. We will have a meeting in December after the Home & School meeting to discuss menu, decorations, music, drinks, etc. It would be great to see some new faces at the meeting.

Thanks so much and I look forward to seeing you in December!!

Amanda Hecht

\$100 Dinner Dance Chair



LITTLE BLOOMERS CORNER:

FROM YOUR DIRECTOR, JILL MUYLLE

Hello!

Below are some important dates to keep in mind with the holiday season approaching:

CLOSED - THURSDAY & FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH & 25TH

CLOSED - MONDAY-FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26TH THROUGH DECEMBER 30TH.

LITTLE BLOOMERS WILL RE-OPEN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2012.

Please mark your calendars!! Thank you.

SAVE THESE FOR US!

