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St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

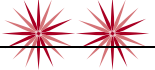
Mission Statement

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.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Wednesday, November 9, 2011



Good Wednesday to all!

We are busy getting ready for honoring all Veterans and those still in the service. We will start with mass at 8:30 on Friday, followed by the children's songs. We will end with refreshments and mingling with the Veterans in the cafeteria. This is a chance for the children to learn about the history of the US from those that made part of it. You are welcome to join us. Invite those veterans in your family and friends to come too. Just let us know how many people to expect.

We are very happy and excited as we get ready to receive five new students in the school in the next two weeks. We are also ready to hire Mrs. Christina Wolschleger as a part time teacher for the 3-4 grade so that we can continue to provide the children with the one-on-one attention we are known for. We will still have Ms. Mary as the classroom aide in the morning and Mrs. Bremer will help in the afternoon as needed when the students do not have specials.

Congratulations to the co-ed basketball blue team that won both games on Saturday. Good luck to the gold team that plays at Auburn this evening. Both teams have games at Holy Family in East Tawas on Saturday. Safe driving and best of luck, eagles!

Next week, we will go to church on Thursday instead of Friday. On Thursday we celebrate our patroness, St. Elizabeth of Hungary. Join us for liturgy at 8:30 on Thursday, November 17th! More to come on how we will celebrate this day.

Congratulations to Leslie Licudine for obtaining a 3rd place at the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee Contest last Friday. She was the only student from our school that showed up. In the future, I would appreciate that if children sign up to participate in an activity and they decide not to go to let us know ahead of time. Being prompt and prepared and being responsible are expectations our students must fulfill.

It is chilly in the morning and sweatshirts or pullovers are necessary. Let me remind you of the dress code colors for them: best choice: navy blue. Others that are acceptable are: white, pale blue, pale yellow, red, and dark green. If children want to wear a sweatshirt during the day it has to be any of these colors. Not school colors: pink, black, gray, brown or beige. Students will be asked to take them off during the day. Please, check the Give and Take Zone if your child needs one.

As you know, there are many ways in which we raise funds for our school. We are about to receive a check for **\$283.27** from GoodSearch/GoodShop. This amount was raised by only nine supporters since January. When you buy on line or simply when you search the web, we get a donation. Check the insert and sign up to support us. When I purchased my ticket to Argentina a donation went to the school's account. Think about how many times you search for something on the Internet and without doing anything extra you could be helping the school!

Have you been saving Box Tops? And what about Campbell's labels? Ink cartridges? Cell phones? Caprisun pouches? All these add up and we can do a lot for the children. Talking about Caprisun, the Saginaw News is working on a piece on recycling with TerraCycle and they will be coming to take pictures on November 18th.

Thank you for all the donations for the Christmas baskets. The competition is on! The children are working hard to make their table look the best. Let's see who wins at the end of the collection. They will get a big clap from the rest and the pride of having done their best. Awesome rewards both.

I wish you all a wonderful rest of the week and a relaxing weekend.
Ms. Gabbie



LITURGY CORNER

Friday, November 11th
8:30 a.m.
Veterans Day Mass



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

Let us pray:

God of peace,
we pray for those who
have served our nation
and who laid down
their lives
to protect and defend
our freedom.
We pray for those who
have fought,
whose spirits and
bodies are scarred by
war, whose nights are
haunted by memories
too painful for the
light of day.
We pray for those who
serve us now,
especially for those in
harm's way:
shield them from
danger
and bring them home.
Lord Jesus, hear our
prayer! Amen.



CALENDAR NOVEMBER

Friday, November 11th
COOKIE DOUGH
ORDER/MONEY DUE

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 @ Trinity
Lutheran

LOOKING AHEAD IN DECEMBER

Wednesday, December 14
First Reconciliation
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 20
Christmas Program
7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 21
through
Monday, January 2

CHRISTMAS BREAK

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3
CLASSES RESUME



Mrs. Cameron – Kindergarten

It has been a busy week. The children are learning the hand motions to go with the patriotic songs that they will sing on Friday. I can't seem to get the songs out of my head, so I bet you are hearing the children sing the songs at home. Just a reminder for Friday: if you did not order a special Veteran's Day shirt then your child should wear a red, white, or navy school polo shirt for the Veteran's Day celebration.

Thank you to the Wasik family for the donation of books. Book orders are due back on Monday, November 14th. I enjoyed speaking with so many parents at conferences this week. Thank you to all of my families for being so involved in their child's education. I appreciate your support and all that you do. Blessings, Mrs. Cameron

Mrs. Territo – 1st & 2nd Grade

The second marking period is officially under way and our 1st and 2nd grade students are busy, busy, busy! Thank you to **Mrs. Wolschleger** who came in on Monday to help the students make their Thanksgiving Turkey art projects. They are all posted on our classroom bulletin board. Stop by and take a look.

The students have been practicing their patriotic songs for this week's Veterans' Day Celebration on Friday morning. Our 1st and 2nd grade students planned this week's mass; all lectors and cantors will be 1st or 2nd grade students. Please, join us for this special day.

Also on Friday, all students that reached their Accelerated Reader goal will be able to watch an afternoon movie in the gym. Those that exceeded their goal by at least 50% will be treated to popcorn during the movie. I'm happy to say that all 1st and 2nd grade students achieved their AR goals for the first marking period and several exceeded by 50%. Students are welcome to bring a pillow or blanket to help them sit comfortably in the gym during the movie.

New AR goals will be established for each student for the second marking period. We will still have our morning testing time on most mornings, thanks to **Mrs. Boensch**, as well as three opportunities to test throughout the week, thanks to the students in 5th – 8th grade students that assist us. Please continue to assist your students with their reading every night so they can be ready to test each day. Enjoy the rest of the week!

Mrs. Redwanz – 3rd & 4th Grade

I would like to thank all of you parents that came to conferences this week and last. It was very nice meeting with all of you and discussing your child's progress. I am very fortunate to have such great children to work with every day.

As many of you know, I will be gone Thursday and Friday this week. Thank you, Mrs. Wolschleger, for subbing for me, and also welcome to our class!! I know the children will enjoy having another teacher in the classroom.

Good luck 3rd/4th grade basketball teams!!
Have a wonderful week!



JUST A FEW REMINDERS FOR OUR VETERANS' DAY CELEBRATION THIS FRIDAY:

- If you have not done so already, please, send in a photo of your veteran or current Military Member. The photos will be tacked on to our bulletin board in the school.
- T-shirt orders will be completed on Wednesday and sent home on Thursday. Please, have your children wear their Veterans' Day T-shirt to school with their regular uniform pants or skirt. If you did not order a t-shirt, please have your child wear a red, white, or navy blue polo on Friday.
- If you have a special veteran or current military member who will be attending mass with us, please, RSVP to the office or to dterrito@steliz.net as soon as possible.
- The students will present a short patriotic presentation to honor our Veterans after mass and refreshments will follow.

Mrs. Bojo – 5th & 6th Grade

Thank you to all the parents for coming out to the Hartley Everything Goes game night. I hope you enjoyed watching your child experience a fun evening of games in a non-competitive atmosphere. The students are creating murals of their Hartley experience that I will be displaying on the hallways later this week. Stop in and check them out!

Please, remember that part of our role as Christians is to continue to carry out Jesus' mission. We have been discussing in Religion class different ways we can accomplish this. Right now, the student council is collecting canned goods for those less fortunate. I would like to see all of my students generously participate in this cause. Thank you!!

Any parent who hasn't scheduled a conference with me is free to schedule one during the next two days. If I don't hear from you by Friday, I will send the report card home with your child at the end of the day.

Just a reminder: please, remind your child to read for a minimum of 20 minutes every night!

The "Big" poetry project is due this Friday. This is a two-part assignment. I have been reminding students that they must have a book of poems ready to turn in on Friday, as well as have a poem memorized, and a book report on their poetry book. Any questions about this assignment, please, feel free to email or call me.

Don't forget this Friday is our Veteran's Day mass and all veterans are encouraged to attend! Please, let Mrs. Territo know that name and branch of service of your veteran attending mass ahead of time. Thanks!

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

Mrs. Papesh – 7th & 8th Grade

Thank you to everyone for scheduling a conference. If I haven't heard from you by now I plan on sending home your child's report card on Friday. Please call me if you have any concerns.

A few parents have recently started using the Accelerated Math and Reading Home Connect. I can set it up so you can access your child's AR & AM at home and view how they are doing. Please let me know if you would like an account. I'll be happy to do this for any student in the school in 1st-8th grade, just send me an email to dpapesh@steliz.net.

We will be watching a movie on Friday for those who made their AR goals. They will be in the gym if they want to bring something cozy to lay on that is fine. Those who exceeded will be getting popcorn and juice.

Please join us Friday for mass and the Veteran's Day celebration if you are able to. It will be a wonderful event honoring those who have served.

Have a great rest of the week!



"SEND SANTA TO THE TROOPS" INFO:

St. Elizabeth School will be collecting donations to "Send Santa to the Troops" this year. Information can be found at <http://www.wheelz.fm/Article.asp?id=553117&spid=21961> Monetary donations are also accepted.

Reese Community Theater
Presents: "ALICE IN WONDERLAND JR."
Tickets can be purchased @ 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 there, 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 THRU DECEMBER 30TH.

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

Please mark your calendars!! Thank you.

SAVE THESE FOR US!

