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St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

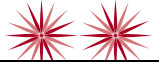
Mission Statement

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, October 12, 2011



Good morning!

What gorgeous weather we have had. Thanks be to God for granting us a mild autumn. When I went to Bellaire for the conference last week I couldn't believe the colors of the trees. What a treat on my first trip North in the fall!

Besides the beautiful scenery, I enjoyed the conference a lot! One of the many learning points was the importance of social media to promote the school and keep parents informed. So what we have been debating for a long time with the teachers will become a reality: we will create a St. Elizabeth Area Catholic School Facebook page. We will be sending an addendum to the media release that you signed because I am not sure if you will agree to Facebook as "other media" as stated in the release.

Thank you very much for the gifts for staff appreciation. It is always handy to have hand sanitizer when working in a school!

I want to thank Laurie Reed, SVSU Astronomy professor, and Raúl, my husband, for bringing the telescopes on Thursday. Also, parents, thank you for bringing the children, and thank you teachers for offering extra credit in science 😊

I received the pictures of "Twin Day" via Twitter. They were very cute. Thanks, Mrs. Papesh for sending them!

Soup Supper is coming up and a lot of people have not signed up to help. Remember this is a MUST for every family. It is a major fundraiser for Home & School and it demands everybody's help. Many hands make light work. If you haven't signed up, expect to receive a call. We need you!

Please, make sure that the children return the books that they borrow from the library or that they renew them if they need them more than 2 weeks to read them. Starting in November overdue books will be charged a late fee.

Last week I did not get a chance to welcome back Mrs. Bremer. We brought her out of retirement to teach religion in kindergarten and to do the sacramental classes with 2nd graders. She will also be helping in the library and helping teachers work one-on-one with students that need a little more attention. For those that are new in our school, Mrs. Bremer was our 1-2 grade teacher and she retired at the end of last year. We are very happy to have her back.

It seems that we are going into typical fall weather starting tomorrow. So it is time to put away the shorts and capris and bring out the pants. Unless the forecast states that the temperature will be around 80, please, do not dress the children in shorts or capris.

Last week was the feast of St. Mary of the Rosary. October is dedicated to Mary, so during this month we will pray the rosary. This is a time to reflect and understand the reason why we pray to Mary. Mary's chief glory is in her nothingness, in the fact of being the "Handmaid of the Lord," as one who in becoming the Mother of God acted simply in loving submission to His command, in the pure obedience of faith. The glory of Mary is purely and simply the glory of God in her, and she, like anyone else, can say that she has nothing that she has not received from Him through Christ.

I now invite you to join in prayer:

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.
Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of god,
pray for us sinners now and at the time of our death. Amen*



LITURGY CORNER

Friday, October 14
8:30 a.m. School Mass



Parents/Grandparents
are Welcome to join the
Liturgy on Friday
mornings!

OCTOBER MONTH OF MARY



**WANTED
BOXES, BOXES,
BOXES!!!**

**BIG ENOUGH FOR
SOUP SUPPER
TAKE-OUT
QUART CONTAINERS**



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**

LOOKING AHEAD IN NOVEMBER

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

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



**BRING YOUR
QUARTERS**

**5TH & 6TH GRADE
HARTLEY
FUNDRAISER**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER
14TH**

AFTER LUNCH

Mrs. Cameron – Young Fives/ Kindergarten

We had a great time at Johnson's Giant Pumpkin Farm on Monday! The children each got to pick out a pumpkin and we will be decorating them on Thursday. Thank you to all the parents that came along.

Scholastic book orders are due back on Friday. Friday will also be another bake sale day to help the 5th and 6th graders on the field trip to Hartley. Mrs. Bojo said the monies will go to pay for the volunteer chaperones.

Soup Supper is quickly approaching. I encourage each and every one of you to help out. It is a great fundraiser for our school and it is a lot of fun! I will be helping make noodle dough on Sunday at 9 am and I will also be helping the night of Soup Supper. There are lots of times to help, please sign up for a time to help out! The sign-up sheet is in the school office.

Thank you to the children that came out and rode the float on Sunday! It was a beautiful day for a parade!

Have a wonderful week! Blessings, Mrs. Cameron

Mrs. Territo – 1st & 2nd Grade

We had a great time at Johnson's Pumpkin Farm on Monday! The weather was perfect, the cider sweet, and I was very proud of all the children's behavior at the farm. What wonderful ambassadors to St. Elizabeth's they are! A big thank you to all of the parents that were able to come with us and assist.

Last week the 1st/2nd students took their first Math test. I am happy to report that all the students scored 100% on their tests. Way to go, boys and girls! Last week's completed and graded work is being sent home today in their take-home folders. It makes more sense to me to send the papers home on Wednesdays with the weekly newsletter. The additional two days also gives me time to work with any students that need to revisit a topic or correct a paper. So please watch for completed and graded papers on Wednesdays from now on.

We are expecting a visit from the fire department in our classroom later this week. This Friday's school mass has been planned by the 1st/2nd grade students. Please join us if you can. There will also be a bake sale by the 5th/6th grade on Friday. All proceeds go towards counselor fees for their upcoming Hartley trip. Most items will be 25-75 cents. Please send money with your child in the baggies provided. I'm hearing rumors about (and looking forward to) a teachers vs. 5/6 grade girls basketball team match-up on the basketball court at this Friday's assembly. Wow! Such a busy week! I am also looking forward to the Soup Supper next week. If you have not already signed-up to work the soup supper please contact the office and do so.

One last thing, just a reminder, that most Wednesdays are "Jeans Day." Students can pay \$1 and wear jeans to school. Proceeds from all "Jeans Days" go directly back to the classroom. Enjoy the rest of the week. And, as always, please don't hesitate to contact me with questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Mrs. Redwanz – 3rd & 4th Grade

Thank you for promptly sending back the field trip surveys for the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village. All of you agreed that this trip would be a great learning experience for the children. After reviewing the surveys and after much consideration, I have decided to make this trip just an all day trip due to cost. Because we will be visiting both places, it will be an ALL DAY trip. **We will be leaving school by 7:30 in the morning and will not be returning until around 7:30 at night. I have reserved this trip for Friday, May 4th,** so please mark your calendars. I will also need some parent chaperones that will be willing to drive. Please let me know if you would be willing to take on this responsibility. There are insurance forms that will need to be filled out in advance for driving other children. There will be more to come on this trip later, but just keep it in mind. **The cost will be \$16.00 per person plus the cost of dinner at a restaurant.**

The 5th and 6th graders will be having a Bake Sale on Friday to raise money for Hartley. Please remember to bring your quarters, and let's support our friends!!

Reminders: Book Reports are due Monday, October 24th! Book orders are due October 21st.

Have a fantastic week!!

Mrs. Bojo – 5th & 6th Grade

I'm still looking for Hartley paperwork to be turned in. Tuesday is the due date on this paperwork. Please make sure to send this in with your child. I have forms that need to be filled out and sent to Hartley 2 weeks in advance of our arrival there. Thanks! **Also, the money for Hartley is due October 28th.**

This coming Tuesday, October 18th at 10:00 A.M. Mr. Jim Blashka from Hartley will be here to talk with the students about camp life. Parents are more than welcomed to join us for this visit, as well. It should last 30-45 minutes.

This Friday we are having our second bake sale! Don't forget your quarters!! Also, I ask that those parents supplying the goodies please put them in individual packaging.

Next Wednesday is our Soup Supper and I hope to see all the 5th and 6th grade families there volunteering their time is some way. It is a worthwhile event and we always have a fun time! Plus, the soup is out of this world!

This Friday is the 5th and 6th graders big debut in church with their Preschool buddies. Please come and join us in church!!

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

Mrs. Papesh – 7th & 8th Grade

Don't forget Friday is a bake sale for Hartley. Please be generous.

Our impromptu cake sale raised \$47! Big thanks to Carly and family for bringing us the cakes. Also, for DC our class is having a perpetual bottle return fundraiser. If you have returnable cans and bottles that you just don't want to deal with be sure and bring them in to us. We will be happy to take them off your hands!

Big thanks to everyone who made it to the Astronomy night last Thursday. We had a great turnout. Be sure and check the blog for another Science extra credit option. Both Science classes have tests tomorrow so study hard.

Be on the lookout for a walking permission slip for after school if they want to go to Speedy Q and get a drink before serving at the Soup Supper next Wednesday.



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FLUE SHOTS**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH
10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
St. Elizabeth Parish
(in the Ushers Room at Church)**

STUDENT COUNCIL CORNER:

THANK YOU!! To those of you that participated in "Twins Day." We raised \$50.00. The money will go to the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan.

Our BOXTOP WINNERS FOR OCTOBER:

HADLEE KOHL - 3RD GRADE
MADISON FINDLAY - KINDERGARTEN

Adam Fisher

**Save BoxTops
for October!**

LITTLE BLOOMER'S CORNER:

from Mrs. Jill Muylle, Director

Just a friendly reminder that St. Elizabeth families who are working the Soup Supper on October 19th may use the Latchkey Services that will be available after school until 6:00 p.m. However, we do need to know if you will require the services no later than tomorrow **Thursday, October 13th by 6:00 p.m.** We need to be able to staff accordingly. Please give me a call about fees or if you should have any other questions.

Thank you.

HOME & SCHOOL CORNER:

from your President Aileen Stuart



SOUP SUPPER NEWS:

The BIG day is **Wednesday, October 19th FROM 4:00 p.m. TO 7:00 p.m.** But most importantly are the days leading up to the BIG DAY. Thank you for those that have signed-up to help. Please, remember if you have not it is **MANDATORY** for families to volunteer at least on a prep day **AND** a shift on the day of the soup supper.

We still need workers on **Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday.** The sign-up sheet is in the office for you to look at to see when you would be able to help.

The community looks forward to our Annual Soup Supper, so let's work together and give them what they are looking forward to!!!! **YUMMY SOUP & YUMMY DESERTS!!!**

Let us show what good stewards of our time and talent we are!