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UPCOMING EVENTS.

- OCTOBER 21 Potluck/movie night, Home, School & Church
- OCTOBER 26 Mass 10:00 a.m. Picture Retakes
- OCTOBER 28 NO SCHOOL
- OCTOBER 31
 Grades 4-8 to Feed
 My Starving Children
- NOVEMBER 1-4 Hearing and Vision testing
- NOVEMBER 1 Mass 10:00 a.m.
- NOVEMBER 4
 Adoration 1:30 p.m
 End 1st Quarter
- NOVEMBER 5
 Dinner/Dance with the Whitesidewalls
- NOVEMBER 8 Veteran's Day Assembly 9:00 a.m.
- NOVEMBER 9 Mass 10:00 a.m.
- NOVEMBER 11 Report Cards
- NOVEMBER 16 Mass 10:00 a.m. Early Dismissal 12:40 p.m.

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Dear Parents & Students,

What a beautiful fall season we have been blessed with! Please remember to send your child to school with the necessary outer wear for the temperature changes we are having. Recess is no fun if a student is cold.

MAP testing closed for the Diocese of Superior this week. I have begun running the first reports. I am very happy with our students' numbers. I am excited to report the following percentages for our students who were tested:

Science – 92% at or above grade level (grades 4-8) Language Usage – 91% at or above grade level (grades 3-8) Reading – 87% at or above grade level (grades 1-8) Mathematics – 80% at or above grade level (grades 1-8)

I am excited to report that our third grade class was tested in the subjects of Mathematics, Reading, and Language Usage and 100% of our students were at or above grade level in all three subjects. The 8th grade class was tested in Reading, Language Usage, and Science and 100% of students were at or above grade level. 8th grade was also tested in Mathematics and 92% of students are at or above grade level. Our students and teachers should be very proud of these results!!

Two of our teachers attended a Diocese workshop on MAP testing this week and were able to bring back valuable information to the faculty. We will be using programs with- in the MAP website to help differentiate instruction on an individual level. We will use this information in students' individual learning plans as the year progresses. I am also looking at the value of possibly testing students in 3rd, 5th, and 7th grade mid-year.

First quarter will end on Friday, November 4^{th,} and report cards will go home in the family folders on Friday, November 11th.

I will be out of the building on Monday, October 24th through Wednesday, October 26th. I will be in Rice Lake chairing the WRISA accreditation team visit for St. Joseph Catholic School. I will be in contact with Mrs. Mitchell via email and phone while I am gone. This a great learning experience for me as principal and also a way that I can give back to the Diocese.

St. Mary School is hosting a dance on November 5th with the Whitesidewalls performing. Come for a night full of fun and dancing. Tickets can be purchased after Mass or in the School office. Dinner will also be provided for a free-will offering.

Blessings, Mrs. J.

Afton Apple Orchard

On Friday, September 30 the Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders went to the Afton Apple Orchard. We were blessed with beautiful weather for a day that included a hayride in search of apples. Before picking our own apples, we learned about how the apples grow. Then on to the pumpkin patch, where we got to choose a pumpkin!



A big thank you to all the great help we received installing the new swing set. The kids seem to be enjoying it very much!

With great appreciation to Chad Derrick and Derrick Companies, Jim Lilla, Steve Graham, Steve Anderson, Fr. John, Larry Amundson, Mary Medini, Max Lilla and Kevin and Angie Efficitz for a job well done!



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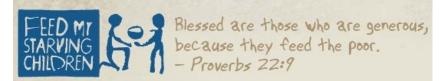


November 5, 2016 St. Mary School 7:30 p.m.

Advance ticket \$15.00 At the Door \$20.00 Dinner 6:30 p.m. Free Will Offering

Advance ticket sales at school & After weekend Masses

LET YOUR PARENTS & GRANDPARENTS KNOW



Feed My Starving Children March 11. 2017 from 11:30-1:30

At the September Home School and Church meeting I brought up the idea of packing food at Feed My Starving Children as a school family and as a way to thank God for what He has given us. You can find out more information about this organization at www.fmsc.org

I have made reservations for 100 people on MARCH 11, 2017 at the Eagan location from 11:30-1:30, weather permitting. I would like this to be an opportunity for families to come together and get to know each other better so at least 1 adult needs to participate with the children. The age requirements are:

- -Kindergarten-Grade 2-1 adult to 1 child
- -Grades 3-6- 1 adult to 3 children
- -Grades 7-9-1 adult to 4 children

Grades 10-12- 1 adult to 5 children

Please email grade5@st-marysschool.com if you would like to attend.

BITS-N-PIECES

Mrs. Mitchell

I am still in need of dance ticket sellers for the 5:00 mass next weekend, October 29th Please let me know if you are able to help out.

Also sign up sheets for helping set up for the dance and dinner, and bar donations is included in the family folder.

We received a check from Kwik Trip for \$81.50 from the Milk Moola program. We also sent in a box of Boxtops for Education and will receive a check for \$472.30. Family Fresh receipts are almost to \$150,000 which results in \$1000.00 for the school. Keep sending in all the collectables and remember the Labels For Education program for Campbell is only taking USPCs with the little boy icon.

A Senior Citizen from our parish is in need of help on October 29th, moving 3 blocks.. Please call Wanda at 715-246-6867 if you can help.