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Continuing Our Commitment to
Quality Catholic Education

Falcon's Pride

A weekly newsletter of the current events at St. Mary's Catholic School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our PTC meeting, for this Wednesday, has been postponed until Wednesday, January 25th. Middle School will be responsible for dinner and the students will be performing. A sign-up genius will be sent to Middle School parents this week.

This Thursday, at 2:00 p.m., we will hold our Second Quarter Awards ceremony in the church. Please join us as we honor those students who have earned Honor Roll, Accelerated Reader Goals and Classroom selected honors.

This Thursday, Anna and Ben Fiala will be Principals for the day. This was an item which was bid on at Casino Night in November. As part of their duties as Principals, they will take part in the Honor Roll Assembly, visit all the classrooms, supervise at lunch time and performed clerical tasks in the office.

As part of their administrative privileges they have designated Thursday, January 19th as 80's dress day. Students may come dressed in 80's attire, Spirit clothing (as it is a scheduled Spirit day) or school uniform. Anna and Ben have placed flyers around the school with pictures. As well, the flyer is attached to this newsletter.

Father Steve is on retreat this week. Please keep him in your prayers as I know we will be in his. Fr. Stephen Nestersta will celebrate Mass for us this Friday at 8:15 a.m. Please join us if you can.

Have a wonderful week and thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wyles

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Christian Service Opportunity for Junior High

What: Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter 15th Annual Benefit Banquet

When: Friday, January 27th.

Where: St Paul Chong Hasang Parish Hall in Harker Heights.

We need student volunteers to help serve meals to our guests. Volunteers need to arrive at 6:00 p.m. and will stay until 8:30 p.m. or so. Students are asked to wear their uniforms to represent SMCS. Parents will need to coordinate transportation to and from event. Many thanks!

Please let Mrs. Wyles know if you can help.

Next Year's Current Family Registration Information Coming Soon

We are in the process of setting up next year's registration for current families. This will be much simpler with much less paperwork. Will let you know as soon as it is up and running.

Temple Telegram 86th Annual Spelling Bee

Students in grades 6th-8th are invited to try out for the 86th Annual Spelling Bee. We will send four students to compete in the contest to be held March 25th from 8:00-12:00 at Temple College Pavilion. Unfortunately, this is the same day as the PSIA District contest in Austin. Therefore students who are attending this will not be able to sign up for the Spelling contest.

Students who are interested need to obtain spelling lists from Dr. Menjivar. If more than four students sign up, the school will have a Spelling Bee on February 21st.

Yearbook News:

There is still Ad space available if you are interested in doing an Ad in the yearbook. All Ads are due by January 31, 2017.

See the attachment for details.

8th graders don't forget to turn in your baby picture, selfie, and quote by January 31, 2017.

Portable Sound System.

We have begun the process of researching the choices and costs of a new sound system and have met with knowledgeable persons. In the meantime if you have resources that you would like to share to help us with our search or if you would like to help us meet the cost challenge let me know. I am very pleased to tell you that we have received donations from two other individuals. I will keep you informed ☺.

Lost and Found Cart

The lost and found cart is getting overloaded with items. Please stop by and check for things that may belong to your child. The cart is located in the short alcove by the front stairs.

EIM Classes coming up

1/14/2017 at Christ the King Temple @ 10:00

1/28/2017 at St. Louis - Waco @ 10am

Sign up by logging into your account at <https://www.eappsdb.com>

Looking Ahead

Catholic Schools Week, January 29th through February 5th will be here before you know it. We are asking for volunteers: parents, students and alumni, to speak at all Masses, in all our parishes, on Sunday, January 29th, inviting parishioners and future alumni, to join us for our annual Open House on Sunday, February 5th.

We ask that you give a brief testimonial and invite families to visit our school for Open House. Holy Trinity will be joining us for the Masses and will have information at our Open House as well.

Please call or email Mrs. Wyles if you can speak at your home parish.

Celebrating Catholic Schools

This year's nominee for St. Mary's Catholic School is Mrs. Angie Stolp. Mrs. Stolp has been a dedicated member of the St. Mary's family for over 30 years and is very deserving of this award. The event will take place January 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Hyatt at Town Lake in Austin. The featured speaker this year will be Cardinal Dolan.

Please visit the Diocesan website for Catholic Schools <http://csdatx.org/>, and look for this picture. Help us fill the house in support of Mrs. Stolp! Ticket prices will go up to \$150 on December 1st so please purchase your ticket before then.



Box Tops for Education Competition

Please collect the Box Tops for Education off your groceries and send them into school to your child's homeroom teacher. For every Box Top that is donated, the school receives 10 cents. There will be a competition between the classrooms from now until February 10th. The classroom with the highest average box top per student will receive a Pizza Party.

The Box Tops need to have the Expiration Date on them. When cutting, ripping or tearing them off the packages please be sure to keep the dotted line surrounding the Box Top visible. You may place your Box Tops in an envelope, plastic baggie, or on a collection sheet. Be sure to visit CashForYourEducation.com to print a collection sheet. This is a great way for your kids to track their collection progress.

You can also go to <http://www.boxtops4education.com> to find out how you can use the New Box Tops Bonus App to earn even more cash for St. Mary's.

Important Dates to Remember

Jan. 11 th	*3 rd through 5 th to CAC 10:00-11:30
Jan. 12 th	*Anna and Ben Fiala Principals for the day *Awards Ceremony 2:00 p.m. in the Church *BB Tournament Gause: Boys leaving at 12:30
Jan. 13 th	*All School Mass 8:15 a.m. *BB Tournament Gause: Girls leaving at 12:30
Jan. 16 th	*No School: Inclement Weather Day
Jan 18 th	*School Board Meeting 5:45 p.m.
Jan 19 th	*Spirit Day: 80's dress (see flyer attached) *Popcorn Day
Jan. 21 st	* First Reconciliation and Retreat for Grade 2 8:30 a.m.
Jan. 28 th	*Celebrating Catholic Schools Dinner for honoree Mrs. Angie Stolp
Jan. 29 th	*Catholic School's Week begins (Details of this week TBA)
Feb. 1st:	*Registration for 2017-2018 school year opens
Feb. 5 th	* Open House for St. Mary's Catholic School 11:00-2:00 p.m.