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

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of the faculty, staff and administration I would like to wish you a glorious Easter. I pray you enjoy time with your family and rest. Beginning this newsletter I will be adding all important dates for the remainder of the year as time will fly. Each week I will add items if need be, so make sure you read through it each week.

I am happy to announce that our new Spanish teacher, for the 2017-2018 school year, for grades 5-8 has been hired. (in my first announcement I indicated this position would only be Junior High but have since changed the plans to include 5th grade).

Mrs. Juanita Mendoza is coming to us from San Antonio with her husband and two children. She holds a degree in foreign language and a Texas teaching certificate. Mrs. Mendoza has experience teaching all levels of Spanish from beginning Spanish to Spanish Four. Last Friday Mrs. Mendoza taught a sample lesson to our 7th graders. The lesson was very successful and learning was evident.

We are still in process with our new 6th grade homeroom teacher. We have concluded the interview process and now have three final applicants who will be teaching a sample lesson. I will let you know when the decision has been made. Thank you for your prayers throughout this important process.

Tuition assistance applications have been processed and you should receive notification by tomorrow as to the amount of award granted. If you applied and do not receive an email it means that you did not support Walking for Education and or the 5-K Fundrun as was required: *Our goal is to welcome all families to St. Mary's Catholic School regardless of financial difficulties. To ensure this becomes a reality, we must raise money through Walking for Education and our new 5-K Fundrun on April 8th. All who have applied for tuition assistance must help gather donations for either or both of these events.*

You will need to call me so we can discuss your options.

On Wednesday our 3rd through 8th graders will travel to UMHB for the Easter Pageant. Students may wear jeans, (no shorts) and their polo shirts on this day. If your child is in the lower grades, and does not own a polo, he/she may wear their gray spirit shirt. Please no other shirts.

Have a wonderful week and thank you for all you do to support our school.

**Sincerely,
Mrs. Wyles**

NEWS AND INFORMATION

5-K Fundrun

Thank you to all who joined us for our 5-K Fundrun this past Saturday. It was a great morning and all present enjoyed the challenge. Thank you to all who came out to help before the sun came up ☺. We did have many St. Mary's winners in the mix of racers. Congratulations to the following:

Kayla Landeros (mom of Evie): Overall Female Winner
Hannah Neiser: 1st place (9 and under)
Isabella Hutka: 2nd place (9 and under)
Eve Neiser: 3rd place (9 and under)
Ben Fiala: 2nd place (9 and under)
Kalli Cayce: 1st place (10-14 years)
Anna Fiala: 2nd place (10-14 years)
Caleb Snider: 1st place (10-14 years)
Nathaniel Neiser: 2nd place (10-14 years)
Chris Landeros (dad of Evie): 2nd place
Roxanne Simcik (mom to Scarlett): 1st place
Evelia Aviala (mom to Rocio and Bianca): 2nd place
Katie Fiala (mom to Ben, Julia and Anna): 3rd place
Amber Neiser (mom to Eve, Hannah and Nathaniel): 4th place
Allen Laxson (dad to Jhett, Laci and Ty): 1st place
Luke Neiser (dad to Eve, Hannah and Nathaniel): 2nd place
Keleigh Walters: 2nd place
Christina Sparks (mom to Olivia and Natalie): 4th place
John Simcik (dad to Scarlett) 1st place
R.J. Jolly (dad to Juliana, Jacob, Joseph, Sarah and Katie): 2nd place
Sam Fiala (dad to Julia, Ben and Anna): 3rd place
Delia Snider (mom to Caleb): 1st place
Rebecca McGowan (mom to JJ): 3rd place
Teri Kurek (mom to Callista and Cooper): 1st place
Nita Bigon: 2nd place
Linda Brook (grandmother to Gavin): 2nd place
Norbert Wolfe (grandfather to James): 1st place

St. Mary's Drama Production

The SMCS drama students captivate audiences school wide with their incredible acting skills and natural talent. St. Mary's Catholic School Drama Program proudly presents *The (Almost) Totally True Story of Hansel and Gretel*, featuring a set of favorite childhood fairytales ranging from the three bears to Jack and the beanstalk, and in conjunction with the SMCS Art Show. This will be truly an enjoyable evening of arts education.

Productions: *The (Almost) Totally True Story of Hansel and Gretel* and Art show

Date: Thursday, April 27, 2017

Time: 7 pm (doors open at 5:30 pm and seating begins at 6:30 pm)

Ticket prices: \$15 adult and \$10 student

Location: Cultural Activities Center (CAC) 3011 N 3rd St, Temple, TX 76501

Tickets available in the office or at the door the night of the performance

2017 Art Show Participants

Kindergarten:

Abby Jacques
Eve Neiser
Alexis Sandoval
Scarlett Simcik
Charlotte Wess

Third Grade:

Lauren Atkins
Sarah Barkis
Nicholas Basile
Jacob Boone
Paige Brink
Adam Compean
Michael Hubbard
James Humphreys
Varghese James
Hannah Neiser
MacKinzi Wall

Sixth Grade:

Emily Atkins
William Eversley
Faryn Morris
Klaire Moss
Camila Reano
Savannah Shadburn

First Grade:

Sean Lukose
Olivia Maldonado
Sophia McKenna
Julien Ramos

Fourth Grade:

Arianna Gonzales
Tori Lucksinger
Natalie Maldonado
Julianne Tomasek

Seventh Grade:

Mikaela Andrews
Veronica Basile
Jae Won Jung
Nathan Orf

Eighth Grade:

Alicia Roman
Cate Barkis
Maddie Hawkins
Ekan Malik
Abby Rockwood

Second Grade:

Sarah Jolly
Joshua Naumann

Fifth Grade:

Joshua Barkis
Audrey Basile
Kate Boone
Anna Fiala
Isabella Garza
Brisa Gonzalez Fernandez
Callista Kurek
Isabelle Kuriger
Alyssa Maggit
Therese Mosmeyer
Nathaniel Neiser
Josie Ogunmuyiwa
Folake Olabisi-Fregene
Kathleen Rockwood
Valerie Schwartz
Waverly Stewart
Patrick Stonebrook
Natali Torres

Cast and Crew of the Performance

Actor

Veronica Basile - Gretel
Alycia Roman – Streptococcus
Nelle Summers- Snow White
Mason Ramm - Hansel
Elizabeth Brink – Inspector Wombat
Nadia Sanchez – Sergeant Ringworm
Cate Barkis - Brunhilda
Madeline Hawkins – Magic Mirror
Paloma Navarro – Lilah
Aidan Atkins - Wilhelm
Olivia Stewart - Marta
Da'Mitria Sewell – Amanita Phalloides
Savannah Shadburn – Little Red Riding Hood
Ekan Malik – Big Bad Wolf and Father Bear
Dalynne Quintana - Mother Bear
Jenice Tomasek – Baby Bear
Mikaela Andrews – Pork Chop
Kathleen Rockwood – Flopsy and Blossom
Henry Summers – Fargo
Abigail Rockwood - Goldilocks
Emily Atkins - Jackie
Aidan Atkins - Charming
Emily Atkins - Flitsy

Crew

Trent Lockhart
Volodymyr Ploskanych
Nathaniel Enriquez
John Gonzales
Alondra Arredondo
Alina Tavernier
Isabella Pardo
Jacob Zuniga
Carolina Compean
Sophia Howell-Dancer
Gavin Brook

Great Service Hour Opportunity for Grades 5-8 tomorrow

When: April 12th at 3:45 p.m.

Where: Regina Celia Room

What: Parish Festival Ticket Bag Prep Party

Please let Mrs. Wyles know if your child will volunteer.

We are excited to announce the SchoolKidz, Teacher Tailored™ School Supply Kit Program as an easy way for parents to purchase back-to-school supplies. Ordering info will be coming soon. Make sure to place your order during the sale to take advantage of this easy service!



The sale will begin Tuesday, April 18. Orders may be made online @ schoolkidz.com and with paper order forms in the office. The sale will close on May 12 so we have ample time to submit the order for August delivery.

Cinco de Mayo

St. Mary's Catholic School has been invited to participate in the upcoming Cinco de Mayo event in downtown Temple. The event coordinator is waving our vendor fee. We will be promoting St. Mary's Catholic School and raising tuition assistance funds by selling food items. We are in need of items. For every item, you donate you will receive 1 service hour.

Please sign up here: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0E4CADA72AA0FA7-cinco

We will also be in need of volunteers. The shifts will be begin at 9 AM and will end by 12 AM.

Please sign up here: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0E4CADA72AA0FA7-cinco1

INFO ABOUT THE EVENT

Fund Raising Event:

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2017

Time: 9:00 a.m. set up-start 10:00 a.m.- 12 midnight

Location: Downtown Temple – 2 & 4th Street & Central

Items to sell:

- Hot Dogs, Chili Dogs, Frito Pie, Drinks, Chips, Nanco (or sell as a combo)

Extra: Game – Washers

Items needed: (suggestion)

- Set up: Trailer or Tent (2)
- Hot Dogs - 200-400
- Buns- 200-400
- Box of Chips (50 in box) 6 Boxes
- Box of Fritos (2 Box)

- Bottle Water (8-10 cases of water) 24 in case
- Drinks (8-10 cases of soda) Coke- Dr. Pepper, Diet Coke, etc.
- Condiments: Mustard, Mayo, onions, chili cans (8-10)

Supplies: napkins, hot dog holders, plastic forks, spoons, paper towels, plastic gloves, Money box, change, Knives to cut items, dish soap, Lysol wipes, bowls, pot, crock pot, plastic table cloths, Menu signs, menu slips for orders, etc. Prizes for game.

Volunteers needed: 3--4 volunteers early shift – 5-6 volunteers after 5:00 p.m.

- Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Set Up
- Time: 11:00 am- 2:00 p.m.
- Time: 2:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.
- Time: 5:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.
- Time: 8:00 p.m. -10:00 p.m.
- Time: 10:00p.m.-12:00 p.m. Tear down and clean up

Summer Sports Information

For anyone looking for something to do during the summer here is a volleyball camp that is being held at Belton Christian Youth Center.

Summer Volleyball Registration is Open! The price is currently \$65 if registered by April 16th. The price jumps to \$75 from April 17-23rd.

This is for girls currently in grades 4th-6th. The player assessment and practices will start in May. Games will be every Saturday in June with each team playing two games a day.

You can register using the link below:

<https://campscui.active.com/orgs/BeltonChristianYouthCenter>

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USS Lexington

Our 8th graders will travel to Corpus Christi April 19th through the 21st and stay aboard the USS Lexington and experience life on board this mighty ship. Students will also visit other locations in the area (TBD). We need to secure drivers and chaperones for this trip. You should have received an email with details. Please let Mrs. Morales know if you have not.

Sea World Adventure Camp: ATTENTION 7th GRADE PARENTS

Time is drawing near for our trip to San Antonio, and a behind the scenes look at Sea World. This adventure begins Wednesday, April 19th and concludes Friday, April 21st. All forms along with money for the trip were due by April 3rd. **Your student will also need a copy of their current physical (sports physicals from this year are fine).** All forms have been sent home. Please let Dr. Menjivar know if your child did not receive forms.

Parish Festival Baskets

Last year the students and families of St. Mary's Catholic School donated incredible baskets in support of the church festival. Those baskets alone contributed almost \$3,000 to the live auction!!! With that in mind, the festival committee has asked the school if they would kindly donate baskets again this year. Each basket is themed as seen below. Please begin gathering items and contact your child's teacher with questions.

PreK Basket: **Lego Fun**

Kindergarten: **Family Fun and Games**

First Grade: **Gift Cards**

Second Grade: **Coffee Basket**

Third Grade: **Jack Pot**

Fourth Grade: **Wine Basket**

Fifth Grade:

Walters: **Kitchen**

Bullock: **Local Businesses**

Sixth Grade: **Cinco de Mayo**

Seventh Grade: **Picnic in Paradise**

Eighth Grade: **Spa Day**

As time comes closer to the picnic (April 30th), they will be asking for students to volunteer.

Helping for the Parish Festival

1. Live/Silent Auction items
 - a. New/Handmade
 - i. May be dropped at the Parish Office
2. Prize Items for Games
 - a. Country Store
 - b. 2-Liter Sodas for ring toss
 - c. Wine for wine/spirit walk
 - d. Kids Games
 - i. Prizes
 - ii. Cash to purchase prizes
3. Pick up and sell/buy raffle tickets
 - a. Pick up at church office, school or after Mass
 - a. Drop off at Parish office
 - b. Mail to Parish Office
 - c. Drop in the collection basket at St Mary Church

Important Dates to Remember

Tues. April 11 th	*Pretzel Sale Grade 2 *Chrism Mass
Wed. April 12 th	*UMHB Easter Pageant Grades 3-8 *Service Hours for Parish Festival 3:45
Thurs. April 13 th	*Holy Thursday: Easter break begins
Tues. April 18 th	*School reopens
Wed. April 19 th	*Grade 8 to USS Lexington *Grade 7 to Sea World Adventure Camp *School Board Meeting 5:30
Thurs. April 20 th	*Spirit Day (popcorn)
Fri. April 21 st	*All School Mass 8:15 a.m. *5 th Grade shadow day of Middle School *Progress Reports home/open on Renweb *7 th and 8 th grades return
Wed. April 26 th	*Drama class to CAC 9:00-2:30
Thurs. April 27 th	*Spring Play and Art Show CAC 7:00 p.m.
Fri. April 28 th	*All School Mass 8:15 a.m.
Sat. April 29 th	*PSIA State Meet: TCU
Sun. April 30 th	*Parish Festival
Mon. May 1 st	*Fossil Rim: 5 th grade Bullock
Tues. May 2 nd	*5 th returns *Teacher and Staff Appreciation Day
Wed. May 3 rd	*2 nd Grade Retreat
Thurs. May 4 th	*Spirit Day *Fossil Rim: 5 th Walters *Sports Banquet
Fri. May 5 th	*All School Mass and May Crowning

Sat. May 6 th	*Eucharistic Retreat 9:00-12:00 *Cinco de Mayo booth for tuition assistance
Sun. May 7 th	*First Communion 2:00
Tues. May 9 th	*Spring Concert
Wed. May 10 th	*Final School Board Meeting
Fri. May 12 th	* All School Mass 8:15 a.m.
Sun. May 14 th	*Happy Mother's Day and Hospitality Sunday
Mon. May 15 th	*8 th Grade finals
Tues. May 16 th	*8 th Grade finals
Wed. May 17 th	*8 th Grade finals
Thurs. May 18 th	*Spirit Day (popcorn) *8 th grade fun day
Fri. May 19 th	*Baccalaureate Mass 8:15 a.m. *7 th grade sponsored breakfast for 8 th grade after Mass *8 th grade dismissed 12:00 noon *Grades 4/5 to UNHB Band Festival
Sat. May 20 th	*8 th Grade Graduation 10:00 a.m. *Grad Night 6:00 p.m.
Mon. May 22 nd	*Final Exams 4 th -7 th
Tues. May 23 rd	*Final Exams 4 th -7 th *Final Awards 2:00 in church
Wed. May 24 th	*Final Exams 4 th -7 th
Thurs. May 25 th	*All School end of year party: Spare Time
Fri. May 26 th	*All School Mass 8:15 a.m. *Noon dismissal: last day ☺

8th Grade important Dates (sent to parents)

Friday, May 5th: May Crowning

Details to be determined on this event

Monday-Wednesday, May 15th-17th:

Final Exams

Thursday, May 18th:

Eighth grade Fun Day (location to be determined)

Friday, May 19th:

8:15 a.m. Baccalaureate Mass in graduation gowns. This liturgical celebration is a thanksgiving ceremony to honor and thank God for the blessings given to the graduating students and to their families.

9:30 a.m. Eighth Grade Graduation Breakfast with their families. This will be sponsored by the 7th grade class.

12:00 noon. Eighth graders are dismissed. Last day of school for 8th graders.

Saturday, May 21st:

10:00 a.m. Graduation Mass in graduation gowns.

6:00 p.m. Grad Night in the Parish Hall. This is an event that the parents, as a group, will plan and sponsor.