



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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Oct. 6, 2011

Upcoming Events

Oct. 7: No School -
Teacher Diocesan
Meeting

Oct. 8: CC Sectional

Oct. 10: No School
Columbus Day

Oct. 15: CC State

Oct. 20: End of 1st
Quarter

Oct. 27: 11:30

Dismissal -
Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Oct. 28: No School -
Parent/Teacher
Conferences

Nov. 4: School Picture
Day

Nov. 11: No School -
Veterans Day

Nov. 23-Nov. 25: No
School - Thanksgiving

Nov. 28: Midterms

Dec. 12: Christmas
Program at MTHS -
7pm

Dec. 19- Jan 1: No
School - Christmas
Break

Mar. 10: Regional
Science Fair

Apr. 23: Clean Water
Celebration

The E-Falcon Newsletter

Attachments

- Family List
- Chicken Noodle Dinner

Book It!

- The Book It! Program reading incentive program will start for students in grades K-6 on Oct. 3 and run through March 31. Teachers set a monthly goal for each student in the class to read a certain amount of books. When the student has met the monthly goal they will earn a certificate for a free personal pan pizza from Pizza Hut. Students can take the certificate to a participating Pizza Hut where they are given a free one-topping pizza. On the first visit, students are recognized with a one-topping personal pan pizza. Good luck earning your certificates and free pizzas!!!!

No School

- There will be no school on Friday, Oct. 7 due to teachers meeting or Monday, Oct. 10 due to Columbus Day. Enjoy the weekend.

Lunch Menu

(Subject to change)

All lunches include milk (Oct. 10-14)

If the student takes the recommended amounts of meat/veggies from the salad bar, that can be their main meal. They do not have to take a main course AND salad.

- ❖ Monday, Oct. 10 - No School
- ❖ Tuesday, Oct. 11 – Beef tacos, rice, salsa, carrots, peaches
- ❖ Wednesday, Oct. 12 - Hamburger, pretzels, applesauce, green beans
- ❖ Thursday, Oct. 13 - Sliced hot ham, scalloped potatoes, pineapple, corn
- ❖ Friday, Oct. 14 – Grilled cheese, tomato soup, mixed fruit, pudding

Lunch Salad Bar

- Starting Nov. 1, the salad bar will no longer be offered as an option for lunch.

Parent/Teacher Conference Times

- Forms stating the parent/teacher conference times were sent home with the youngest/only child in the family today. If you do not receive one, please call the school to find out your scheduled time. Each family in K-8 was given a time whether a form was sent back to school or not.

Author Visit

- St. Mary's PTO is proud to announce that local author, Mrs. Deborah Ruddell, will be coming to our school on Thursday, October 27. Mrs. Ruddell will spend some time reading her books to Pre-K, kindergarten, and 1st grade, and she will be leading writing workshops with students in grades 2-5. Mrs. Ruddell's two poetry books are Today at the Bluebird Cafe and A Whiff of Pine, a Hint of Skunk, and her picture book is Who Said Coo?. There is a copy of each of these books in the office for anyone interested in looking at them. Mrs. Ruddell does not bring extra copies of her books to sell but will gladly sign copies of her books for students who have them on the 27th. Her books can be found on BarnesandNoble.com and amazon.com (Shameless plug: Both are retailers participating in our Scrip program!) Locally, they can be purchased at I Know You Like a Book in Peoria Heights or ordered from Barnes & Noble. Visit www.deborahruddell.com for more information.

Sports Update

- **CC:** The Cross Country Team is having an awesome season with great accomplishments the last three meets. At the Dunlap Invitational 9/23/11, competing against 29 teams and 971 runners, both our teams finished as the "Top Class A School" receiving Trophies. Girls were 6th, and boys were 7th. On 10/1/11, the teams competed against 39 Teams (Class A & AA Schools) at the DARE Classic Invitational in Delavan. Girls Team place 1st! Boys Team placed 4th! Cassy medalled in 8th place for Varsity Girls. Varsity boys John medaled 13th. In the Open Girls Race, Audrey medalled 6th. The last regular season meet was at Tremont 10/3/11 with both teams placing 1st. Congratulations to the St. Mary's runners who made the Sectionals team. John Crotteau, Matthew Crotteau, Cassy Fitzgibbons, Audrey Datzman, & Natalie Feldmann. Sectionals are this Sat., Oct. 8. Girls race begins at 10 a.m. followed by boys race 20-30 minutes after the girl's race finishes. The runners who didn't make the Sectionals top ten had a great season and improved tremendously all through the season! 8th Grade- John Crotteau, Matthew Crotteau, Audrey Datzman, Cassy Fitzgibbons, & Francesca Piccione; 6th Grade- Natalie Feldmann & Maggie Kleen; 5th Grade - Maggie Dean & Lucy Fitzgibbons. Thanks also to all of our teachers/staff for their assistance and support this season. Thanks also to all the parents for supporting your children and the coaches.

Knights of Columbus Soccer Shootout

- Open to boys and girls from the ages of 10 to 14. When: Saturday, October 8th at 10:00 am. Where: Eastside Center, East Peoria (there is no cost for this event) Wear your St. Mary's Spirit apparel. Bring Birth certificate to prove age. The district wide event will follow after the local finals. Take this chance to compete against youth from the surrounding area. Contact: Peter Foley's cell 210-4470/home 383-4289 or Tim Houston (District Director) at 573-3439.

Student Council News

- On behalf of the St. Mary's Student Council, thank you to all who helped with the 2011 homecoming float. We couldn't have done it without your help. Thank you and God bless.
Our next fundraiser will be a junior high (6th – 8⁶th grade) Luau dance/Movie night on Oct. 22 from 6:30-10:00. We will watch Soul Surfer and have lots of games and concessions. Come dresses in your appropriate Hawaiian attire.

Junior Woman's Club Hosting Event with Foreign Exchange Students

- How would you like to visit 5 foreign countries in one night? Are you interested in other cultures? The GFWC Illinois Metamora-Germantown Hills Junior Woman's Club is hosting 'Armchair Travel' at the Metamora Township High School. 'Armchair Travel' is an opportunity for the community to meet our foreign exchange students. We have five exchange students visiting Metamora this year. They are from Denmark, Finland, Mexico, Thailand, and Italy. They will be talking about their home country, why they wanted to become an exchange student, the differences between our country and theirs (social aspects, education, food). They will also be showing pictures of their home country. If you can't travel, or don't have the time, what a wonderful way to experience some of the culture and beauty of our world. We will also have some host families in attendance to tell about their experience of having a foreign student as part of their household. Lisa Trimble, Field Director, Greater Illinois Heartland District Youth For Understanding USA will also be a featured speaker. There will also be time for questions and answers. We will meet in Room 200 at the Metamora High School on November 1, 2011, 6:30pm – 8:30pm. We will be serving light refreshments afterwards. If you are interested in attending this free event, please contact Nancy Rodier at 383-2697, or rodier@mchsi.com.