



ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

135+ Years of Tradition

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Upcoming Events

Sept. 16: *Midterms*
Sept. 17: CC at Franklin at 9:45
Sept. 19: *PTO Meeting*
Sept. 20: CC – Tazwood Conference at Germantown at 4:15
Sept. 23: CC at Detweiler – Dunlap invitational at 4:30
Sept. 26: CC at Riverview at 4:00
Oct. 1: CC Dare Classic at Delevan at 11:00
Oct. 3: CC at Tremont HS at 4:15
Oct. 7: *No School - Teacher Diocesan Meeting*
Oct. 9: CC Sectional
Oct. 10: *No School Columbus Day*
Oct. 16: CC State
Oct. 20: *End of 1st Quarter*
Oct. 27: 11:30 Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct. 28: *No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences*
Nov. 11: *No School – Veterans Day*
Nov. 23-Nov. 25: *No School – Thanksgiving*
Nov. 28: *Midterms*

Sept. 15, 2011

The E-Falcon Newsletter

Attachments

- Sign-up sheet for parent/teacher conferences

No Bus Service

- Metamora Grade School has an early dismissal on Fri., Sept. 23. Therefore, there will be no after school bus service for students who ride a grade school bus.

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

- Lourdes Men's Club at St. Mary's of Lourdes Church in Germantown Hills will have a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, October 2nd from 7:00 am - 12:00 noon. Last day to pre-order sausage Sunday Sept. 28th. Please contact Bill Kessling @ 309-645-7795 if interested in placing an order. All are welcome.

Just a reminder

- Lunch cards are \$10.00 for 5 lunches with milk
- Milk card are \$1.50 for 5 cartons of milk.
- Seconds cards for 10 extra servings of the main entree are \$7.50.

Lunch Menu

(Subject to change)

All lunches include milk (Sept. 19-23)

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, Sept. 19 – Hamburgers, hash brown sticks, peaches, peas
- ❖ Tuesday, Sept. 20 – Chicken nuggets, pears, corn, pasta salad
- ❖ Wednesday, Sept. 21 – BBQ pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, apricots, chocolate cake
- ❖ Thursday, Sept. 22 – Chicken tacos, green beans, pineapple, jello
- ❖ Friday, Sept. 23 – Macaroni & cheese, mixed vegetables, mixed fruit, frosted graham cracker

Parent/Teacher Conference Sheet

- Parent/Teacher conferences are scheduled for October 27 from 1:00pm-8:00pm and Friday, October 28 from 9:00am-12:00pm. This year we are sending home a sheet to allow parents to sign up for times that are more convenient for them. This form is located on the home page of the website. This will be on a first come, first serve basis so if there is a specific time or day you want, you will need to get your form back to the school office ASAP. All forms are due by September 30. All open spots will be filled in with students who have not returned a form.

September PTO News

- The **first PTO Meeting of the year is Mon., Sept. 19th at 7pm** in the school cafeteria. We will begin our meeting with introductions of the Athletic Committee, PTO and the EAC (via Mr. Bustle). Each group will speak briefly on their board members, purpose, goals for the year / vision. Mr. Bustle will speak about the 2011-2012 school year along with Fr. Don. We hope to have a great turnout as we highlight our parent groups and hear from the Leaders of our School. Please join us!
- Scrip will be available for purchase at the PTO Meeting on September 19th.
- We are still in need of room parents for the following classes: 1st, 3rd, 4th and 7th grade. 4th Grade is specifically in need as no one has signed up. Please contact Toni Randall at 383-3342 or trandall@mtco.com if interested.

Student Council Has Wonderful News!!!

- As many of you know, the Student Council “adopted” Eun Hea, a 12-year-old child from Korea, during the second semester of last school year. We have just been notified that Eun is now in the arms of a permanent, loving family! This is something to celebrate! Thank you for all your monetary donations and most of all your prayers for Eun since we began sponsoring her. Please continue to pray for Eun and all the children who are still waiting to be adopted.

Sports Update

- **SB:** Softball season finished on Saturday with a semi-final loss to St. Pats. Please turn in all cleaned uniforms and equipment ASAP. Thanks to all of our volunteers on another successful season, Your hard work and dedication is much appreciated.
- **BB:** Baseball begins regional action at home vs St. Pat’s at noon on Sat., Sept. 17. Check out IESA.org for all the details. Good luck Falcons!

Archery Continues

- Archery continues in P.E. class. Gatorade winners were Savanna Cooling: 39-7th, Nick Thelen: 39-5th, Jackie Rae Kelch: 29-4th. Rainbow shooters were: 8th Grade – Brock Blessman, John Crotteau, Matthew Crotteau, Josh Kelch and Hayley Whetzel; 7th Grade – Savanna Cooling, Stephen Jones, Zack Kleen –2X, Lauren Schmillen, Josh Schnetzler; 5th Grade – Maggie Dean, Nick Thelen, Joel Tobben and 4th Grade – Margaret Noe.

Student Council

- It’s that time of the year again. The homecoming parade is here and the student council would appreciate it if the families could donate candy or money so we have enough for the parade. If you could donate that will be appreciated. Please send donations to school by September 21. Sincerely, Peter Gualandri, Student Council Secretary

Vision & Hearing

- Students in Preschool, K, 1, 2, 3, & 8 grades and all new students to the school will have vision & hearing screening done on Monday, Sept. 19 starting at 8:30. If your child is not in one of these grades and you would like to have them screened, please contact the school office.

Science Opportunity For Students in Grades 7 & 8

- The middle school researcher program at the USDA ARS NCAUR has begun. This new and unique opportunity is available to all 7th & 8th grade students. The goal of this program is to identify students with a keen interest in science and provide them with a day of hands-on experience in a working research environment. You most likely know them as the “Ag Lab”. Located in Peoria, the USDA ARS National Center for Agricultural Research (NCAUR) is a world-renown bioscience research facility providing enormous scientific intellectual capital and accomplishment. Nearly 100 PhD researchers and 130 scientific support staff, from more than ten major scientific disciplines, work in a facility of 270,000 sq. ft. with state-of-the-art scientific equipment and pilot plant industrial capacity. Discoveries and developments that have impacted the global quality of life have come from this lab since it opened in 1940, establishing a standard of scientific excellence now carried forward by its third generation of researchers. Through the Student Researcher Program, students will gain hands-on experience with some of the same scientific concepts used daily by career researchers at the lab. By the end of the day, students will have rotated through several different laboratories, interacted closely with research staff and gained a deeper understand of how the multi-disciplinary teams at NCAUR solve research puzzles of national importance, one piece at a time.
- Students need to apply by Sept. 19 with a one-paragraph letter describing why they would like to participate. These letters should be turned in to Mrs. Adams. Students will be notified of selection by Oct. 14. Space is limited to 24 slots!

Peoria Notre Dame Pony League Travel Baseball

- Tryouts for 13 & 14 Travel 2012 Baseball teams will be held on Saturday Sept. 17 and Sept. 24, from 1pm – 3 pm at Peoria Notre Dame Baseball Diamond. Baseball players planning to attend Peoria Notre Dame for high school should plan on participating in these try-outs. If there are any questions, please call DJ Shadid (Pony League Director) 208-3398.