

**We Hold a
Treasure**

St. Monica News &

Weekly Reminder

February 14, 2011

Lunch Duty Schedule:

11:00–1:15 pm

This Week :

Monday, 2/14:

M. Wronski M. Jasper
S. Branigan

Tuesday, 2/15:

S. Foley K. Steinberg
A. Pacific

Wednesday, 2/16:

A. Lee K. Fritsch

Thursday, 2/17:

L. Sather K. Kuesel
M. Otterson

Friday, 2/18:

K. Heil Tom Harris
T. McCann

Next Week :

Monday, 2/21:

S. McNally N. Nolan
K. Cleary

Tuesday, 2/22:

A. Erpenbeck A. Murphy
S. Christensen

Wednesday, 2/23:

C. Eck S. Dragani
J. Rusch

Thursday, 2/24:

11:30 Dismissal

Friday, 2/25:

No School



This Week At A Glance...

Monday 2/14:

•**Casual Dress Day: Valentine's Day -
Wear Red, Pink and/or Purple**

Tuesday 2/15:

•All School Mass: 8:30am (Schmidt)

Wednesday 2/16:

•Children's Choir Practice - 3:30-4:15pm
•SMS Science Fair and Pizza/Bale Sale:
6:30-8:00pm - Donovan Hall

Thursday 2/17:

•Ladies of Charity Clothing Drive: 8am -
Parking Lot
•SCRIP Sale: 3:00 - Outside of the Library
•SBC Meeting: 6:30 - Library

Coming Up Next Week!

Tuesday 2/22:

•All School Mass: 8:30am (Dooley)

Thursday 2/24:

•**Early Dismissal: 11:30am**
•SCRIP Sale: 11am - Outside of the Library
•Parent/Teacher Conferences: 1-7pm

Friday 2/25:

•**No School**

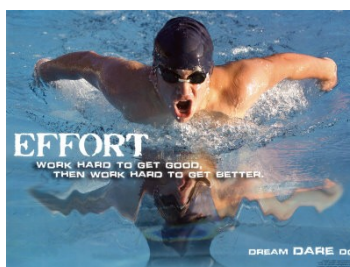
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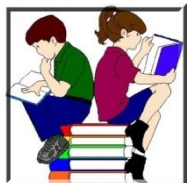
ST. MONICA SCHOOL
"Learn, live, and love through Jesus..."

Rule for week of February 14-18 2011

**No matter what you are doing,
always put forth your best effort.**



Catholic School's Week...News Worth Sharing!



I am so proud of the many efforts made by those students who participated in this year's Read-A-Thon which took place during Catholic School's Week. \$1416.29 was collected. This money will be divided up among those classrooms that participated as well as the school library where new books will be purchased. Many students will benefit from the generosity of our school families. Thank You.



The Penny War Challenge also ended with great success this year. More than fourteen hundred dollars were collected. Special thanks goes out to Mrs. Naleid and the leadership group who spent six lunch hours counting money. All money collected will be forwarded to the Ronald McDonald House. Congratulations to Mrs. Shumaker's 6th grade homeroom and Miss Schmidt's 1st graders who tied in bringing in two hundred and forty-four dollars each. Way to go kids!!



Home and School Association

Anne Cyganiak
Kristin Kuesel

Good Morning and Happy Valentines Day!

We would like to extend a big thank you to Betsie Berrien and Mary Ann Sendik from running the popular Rocky's Lunch last week. The kids look forward to this school tradition and this special lunch was helpful by allowing the Antique Show Chairs ample time to set up the fabulous St. Monica Parish Antique Show.

We hope you were able to stop in and enjoy the unique jewelry, furnishings and accessories that the dealers brought to our Parish event.

Another pat on the back goes to Julie Karnes and Kathy Gomez. Their ongoing efforts to create another fabulous yearbook included Basketball Team Photos last week. Thank you for organizing the photos with VIP.

Please continue supporting our fabulous SCRIP team by purchasing SCRIP! Try something new!

Have a great week!
Anne and Kristin

Science Fair & Pizza Night

Students, families, and friends are encouraged to visit the cafeteria this Wednesday February 16, 6:30-8:00pm for the SMS Science Fair and Pizza/Bake sale. Come view the exciting projects on display while grabbing a bite to eat. The class of 2012 will be selling \$5 Rocky's Pizza meal-deals, \$1 beverages, and \$.50 baked goods and chips. This is a great time to see the various forms of scientific study conducted by our 6th-8th grade students. Younger students may also enjoy a preview of what to expect in junior high science. See you there!



Save The Date!

The St. Monica Parish Fish Fry will be held on Friday, March 11 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. in Donovan Hall. Proceeds to benefit the SMS Class of 2012. Please see the attachment for more details.



2009/2010 VIP Photos

Don't miss your chance to purchase photo's taken at our school by VIP for the 2009/2010 school year. Visit www.vipis.com, go to the store and you will need a password to enter which is MONICASCH. Also, it was mistakenly stated at the Christmas concert that concert photo's would be posted to this site for this year when in fact they are last years Christmas Concert photographs. This years Christmas concert photo's will be posted next year around this same time. Sorry for any confusion this may have caused.

Questions, contact Julie Karnes at jkarnes@wi.rr.com

DEVELOPMENT CORNER**TOM MLADA****St. Monica School on Whitefish Bay Patch**

This past week, I added our school community to a relatively new (at least to me!) and rapidly-growing community website called “Whitefish Bay Patch.” As I mentioned, I was actually unaware of the site’s existence until several school parents alerted me to it and suggested it’d be a good place for us to promote our school community. And so, we now are!

I will continue to update our profile on the site, so please check it out and add it to your bookmarks or favorites. Outside of our profile, it really seems to be a very fun and informative site. You can actually also add a review of our school community on our profile page if you wish (there is no better promotion than that!). Here is the direct link to our profile page (found under the “Directories” listing):

<http://whitefishbay.patch.com/listings/st-monica-school-3>

Special thanks to Nikki DeGuire and Joyce Swietlik (as well as our own Secretary Extraordinaire, Debbie Lynch!) who gave me the heads-up on this great website. If you should become aware of such promotional opportunities for our school community, please do shoot me a note or pop on by my office to let me know! Together, we can share the good news about our SMS community!

Written Testimonials

Each school year, I appeal to current school parents, parents of SMS alum, and/or alumni themselves for brief written testimonials reflecting upon the impact St. Monica School has had upon them or their families. And each school year, the response is very positive with a number of people stepping forward and sharing a very inspiring perspective. Today, I make my annual appeal for new volunteers for these testimonials.

Again, the testimonials I am seeking would be brief – a paragraph or two in length at most – and will be used in various Development Office communications (the information folder prospective families receive, the school website, the Annual Report, etc.). They will focus upon your experiences at SMS and the difference an SMS education has had in your children’s lives (or your own if you are an alum!).

If you would be willing to provide such a written testimonial, please contact me at (414) 332-3660 ext. 123 or tmlada@st-monica.org. Thanks very much in advance for your vocal, personal support!

Milestones Update

During the 2011-2012 school year, Milestones (our onsite childcare provider) is once again planning on offering daily programming for our St. Monica School community. Hours of programming will depend upon need of our school families; in school years past, they’ve operated from either 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. or 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (again, dependent upon the needs of our school families). We are grateful for this commitment from Milestones, which demonstrates their dedication to working as partners with our school community.

I remain convinced such onsite childcare programming is a necessity in order for our school community to continue with annual enrollment stability and growth. We must be able to meet the needs of dual-income families who desire convenient, high-quality, and affordable onsite childcare programming options; especially for those with children in our K-4 half-day and K-5 extended-day sessions, such childcare may be an absolute necessity. In this way, I believe we continue to demonstrate our commitment to the education of all children.

With this in mind, should your family require childcare programming, I kindly ask you to consider Milestones as an option. You need not enroll your child(ren) every day – Milestones is very accommodating and only requires a two day per-week commitment. Your participation in Milestone’s programming will continue to help ensure the long-term success of our relationship.

For more information about Milestones, please visit their website: <http://www.milestonesprograms.org>.

Have a fantastic week – only 35 days until Spring!
Tom



It's the changing of the guard. The St. Monica class of 2012 is taking over Market Day to earn money for their trip next year to South Dakota. St. Monica families have always been supportive of Market Day and we continue to need your help.

February's pick up date has changed due to the school being on winter break. The new pick up date for February is Wednesday, Feb. 23rd from 3-4.

Cookie dough bonus days are back! For every box of cookie dough ordered, we earn an extra bonus. The more ordered, the bigger the bonus. If you have children or grandchildren in college these are great to put in care packages. Did you have enough snacks on hand during the blizzard last week? Market Day is a great way to stock up on chicken steaks, snacks and quick, healthy dinners for those busy nights. Check out the flyer for this month's sale items.

Order deadline is Thursday, Feb. 17th in the school office or online by Feb. 19th. Order forms went home with your mail carrier today. If you didn't get one they can be found at the church entrances or outside the school office. If you have any questions, please contact Marian Topp at (414) 962-4729 or the8topps@sbcglobal.net.

SMS SCRIP REWARDS PROGRAM

Congratulations to all SCRIP users! We have YTD sales of **\$710,000** (up from \$646,000 at this time last year), a whopping **\$26,000** (up from \$22,790) of tuition credits and **\$11,450** (up from \$10,445) of H&S Profits. This year, families have purchased \$285,000 in Sendik's, \$111,850 in Pick 'n Save and \$51,000 in Speedway gas.

Remember Easter break is just 9 weeks away. If you are planning on traveling, make sure you bring your SCRIP along! SCRIP offers gift cards for rental cars (*Avis, Budget*), hotels (*Disney, Hyatt, Marriott*), airlines (*American*) and even cruises. With a big ticket item like travel costs, think of the tuition credits you could earn!!

With this week's warm up- are you itching to do some spring shopping? Stock up on *Kohl's, Gap, J Crew, Land's End, Brooks Brothers, American Eagle, J Jill, Zappos, Gymboree, L L Bean, Macy's, Talbots* and more for your Spring wardrobe and Easter outfits. For a full list of vendors, please visit glscrip.com.

It is not too late to join. Any questions, contact Jennifer Lamont (540-0186) or Norma Herbers (962-9193) **and learn how SCRIP can help you.**

THANK YOU TO ALL FOR SUPPORTING SCRIP!!

Please send your articles and attachments to stmonicanews@st-monica.org

by 3:30pm each Thursday.

Thank you!