

SETON EAGLE NEWS

We pledge to promote Christian values, excellence in education and the growth of the total person.

REMINDERS

May

- 19 Jr. Optimist 3:30-5pm
 20 Prayer Service 9:40
 Buddy Visit
 Band Concert 6:30pm
 21 7th Gr. Day of Reflection
 Dance 6th & 7th 6-8pm
 8th grade 6-9pm
 24 Seton Choir Concert 6:30
 25 DC Parent Meeting 6:30
 27 8th Gr. Retreat
 28 8th Grade Recognition Mass
 9:15
 31 Memorial Day – No School
 Parade line up 8:30-8:45am

June

- 1 Graduation 7:00pm
 3 Academic Awards 8:15am
 Prayer Service 11:00
 Market Day 11-12:00
 Early Dismissal 11:40



From the Principal's Chair

"For the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have come to believe that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world. Now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father." John 16:23b-28

I receive a daily scripture and prayer email and this verse was part of last Saturday morning's email. It was a powerful and special message on the morning of Brandon Willems passing. Many Seton families have lost loved ones over the last few weeks - mostly grandparents of our students. Each life is a precious gift from God and we are so blessed to have had each one in our lives for whatever time we are given with them. In Brandon's short life, he showed courage and wisdom beyond his years. It will be a long time before we forget his smiles and the happiness he brought others. In Brandon's memory and all the loved ones we have lost, we will do our best to carry on with a "B Positive" Attitude.

"The world will never be the same because of the beautiful difference one life has made"

Ms. Bausom





They will soar as with eagles' wings

Isaiah 40:31

S.T.A.R.

Our final buddy visit will be tomorrow. All our students will travel to the elementary schools to visit one last time with their little buddies. One of our traditions is to pray a blessing on the elementary students at the end of the visit. You will find it printed below:

A Buddy Blessing before Summer Vacation

Lord God,

These two classes shared many things this year.

We were linked by many activities and fun times together.

Those ties are broken now.

We say good-bye and end our buddy visits.

Lord, bless each of these,
my buddies, my friends,

especially those I will not see again.

Keep each of us in your care
during the coming summer
and throughout our lives.

Guide our steps and strengthen our hearts
until we gather once again in your Name.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Prayer Service

On Thursday, Mrs. Bonertz's seventh grade religion class will lead our prayer service. They have chosen a theme of PENTECOST and will use this opportunity to remind our faith community about the importance of this special day. As we look forward to celebrating the birthday of our church on Sunday, the official Pentecost day, we first celebrate as a school community and share our faith with those around us. You are welcome to join us for this special service. Because it is a Buddy Visit day, and we need to run a special schedule, the starting time is 9:40.

Retreats

Our seventh graders will travel to St. Paul's in Combined Locks this Friday for their end of the year retreat. Miss Gail Hawley will be there with several SMC students to lead this retreat. The Theme, "The Masks We Wear" will encourage the seventh graders to explore how we all sometimes hid behind a mask and discuss the many reasons for doing so.

Next THURSDAY the eighth graders go to Camp Onaway on the Chain of Lakes in Waupaca. We do have a lifeguard so pack your suits!

MMITM Save the Date

We are having a planning meeting on Wednesday, June 9th at 7:00pm at Jennifer Miller's home (628 Reed Street) for this year's Meet Me in the Middle Fundraiser. We welcome new ideas and fresh faces to help raise money for Seton Catholic Middle School.

Please contact Marsha Britt
mbritt@new.rr.com or Jennifer Miller at
jmiller@tcces.k12.wi.us if you can attend.

Parents Ask....

Question: I'm beginning to stress already just thinking of another summer doing battle with my two middle schoolers - (Molly, 11 and Eric, 13). Last summer was one skirmish after another about what they perceived as my tight rein on their enjoyment of life! Of course, Molly thinks that she should have the same freedom I give to Eric even though she is two years younger. Can you offer some guidelines to make this summer less confrontational?

Answer: Young adolescents seek their identities and they are not afraid to find out where the boundaries are. One of the great ironies that parents soon learn is that, while young adolescents require structure and clear limits, they can't set these for themselves, and they rebel against those who do — usually their parents. Beyond that, sit down and talk calmly with them several times in the next three months, to talk about what they would like to do this summer. Even though school is out, they will need a “summer routine” so they don't become bored. They should be expected to work around the house and yard according to family expectations and they should be able to do that unsupervised, at least part of the time.

They should take care of their own rooms and belongings, and should also contribute to the family. If they will also have part-time jobs, they should plan on that. Mowing lawns, babysitting, and newspaper routes are all traditional jobs for this age group.

The hard part will be setting limits for visiting friends, having friends over, dealing with friends of the opposite sex, and invitations to other places. Set some ground rules that you can live with and that provide the measure of security and comfort both you AND your adolescents need.



Music Man, Jr.

Congratulations to the cast, crew, directors and faculty advisors for probably one of the best, if not the best performance by any group in Seton history. This year's group was blessed with talent and self-confidence that translated into a wonderful performance each time they went on stage. Emily Lowney and Hayden Krause, SMC student directors, did another outstanding job and are to be commended for the time and effort they gave to our students and for helping our students work to the best of their abilities. A special thanks goes to Mr. Shackelford and Ms. Rezin for the many hours of supervision and help they gave.

MAP

MAP test scores are in today's envelope. There is a detailed explanation of how to read the scores and what each category means. There is also an expected growth number and an actual growth number for the fall to spring. Please remember that this test assesses instructional level, NOT potential. You can find more information about the MAP tests in the Parent toolkit on the TCCES/Seton website at http://www.tcces.org/seton/academics/map_testing.html