



ST. MARY THE BUSS TRIP Newsletter

Mission Statement: St. Mary Elementary School, in collaboration with its parents, educates the "whole child" in a Catholic environment. This allows every child to meet the challenges of a continuously changing society.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, June 1st

- Bay Beach Trip

Friday, June 3rd

- Liturgy @ 8:10 am
- Summer Vacation Begins at 11:30 am

Tuesday, August 30th

- Orientation Day for New School Year (Pre3-Grade 5)

Thursday, September 1st

- 1st Day of School



June Birthdays

Ethan Tines	6/3
Molly Manderfield	6/3
Ava Krema	6/13
Sophia Grenell	6/14
Lydia VanRossum	6/21
Julian Vera	6/21
Paul Nutini	6/22

July Birthdays

Elsie Voigt	7/1
Emma Nutini	7/1
Billy Walsh	7/2
Maryuri Covarrubio	7/4
Kiara Miller	7/7
Ava Goss	7/8
Anna Porter	7/10
Emma Murray	7/12
Trent Kersten	7/17
Sam Foord	7/17
Abigail Thelen	7/22
Claire Krautkramer	7/24

Catholic Identity ... Light of the World!

Here we are at the end of another school year! For me, it has been a very quick and exciting year with many accomplishments. This Friday at our final school liturgy, I will provide the students with 3 summer goals. I ask that you strongly assist them with these goals. The first goal, I suspect, you have already begun the planning ... have "fun" this summer. Your child has worked very hard this past year and has accomplished a lot. They need to have fun and replenish their battery for next year's challenges. The next goal seems contradictory to the first one but it is not. With all the academic accomplishments that your child has achieved this past year, it is extremely important that they do not lose their skills during the summer. Just like any muscle, the brain needs exercise in reading, language, and math during the summer months. That means going to the library and obtaining books that are in your child's lexile range, and writing letters or cards to loved ones or even journaling about their summer escapades. For maintaining their math skills, they need to review addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts. A fun way to get their math skills practice would be to determine the mileage and gas consumption for your summer trip, along with grocery shopping (addition). These activities will help maintain your child's skill level during these summer months. The last goal is the most important thing that you can do during the summer. Take Jesus with you during the summer months. That means it is very important that you attend Mass during the summer months. Maintaining academic skills is important but even more so is maintaining our relationship with God and Jesus during the summer. These 3 goals are important to having a refreshing and enjoyable summer. See you in the fall and thank you for a wonderful year!



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Thank You

I would be remiss if I didn't extend a special thank you to all our parents for allowing us to work with your children this past year. It has been a wonderful year. Your support and concern for your child's welfare is very evident. That makes our school a special place to work. Thank you also to our POPS group. Your support and thoughtfulness makes working at this school a pleasure and certainly not a job to me. Have a wonderful summer!



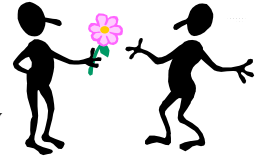
Kindergarten Olympics

Last week Mrs. Hawley's kindergarten class completed their study of the "Letter People" by completing an obstacle course in gym class. Each station possessed a letter person which they had to do an academic task involving that letter along with a physical activity. All the students were successful with their olympic task and received a gold medal and a certificate.



After School Program

Thank you to the children, parents, and grandparents who donated toys and snacks to the Extended Day and After School programs. Your thoughtfulness was very much appreciated and made our job much easier.



Thank you,
Mary VanHarpen
Mary Schulz

School Information

As a way of assisting your needs during the summer months, St. Mary Elementary School will be posting on our website (www.tcces.org) important school information. In the next few weeks, you will be able to find the following items.

- TCCES School Calendar 2011-12 (shorten version)
- New Supply List for each grade level
- School Uniform Information sheet

Please refer to the website during the summer months for your questions. As always you can call the school office to talk to a person for questions.

Summer Office Hours

During the month of June (beginning 6/6), the school office will be open from 8:30 until 2:00 pm unless I am attending a principal or administrative meeting. The school office will be closed during the month of July and reopening on **Monday, August 1st**. I will be checking the phone regularly, so you can always leave a message and I will get back to you. Email is another way to communicate with the school office during the vacation period.



TCCES Summer Business Hours



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Yes ... summer is coming! The TCCES Business Office hours for the summer will be as follows:

- June 6th through August 19th – 8:00 am-3:00 pm
- The Office will be closed July 1st and July 4th
- SMC Office closes June 21st and re-opens August 8th.

The TCCES Office phone number is 722-7796.

Brandon's B+ 5K Run/Walk

A 2009 graduate of SMC, Brandon passed away on May 15, 2010 following a courageous ten month battle with leukemia. Join his family and friends as they continue this dream of going to college by supporting the Brandon Willems Memorial Scholarship.

Proceeds go to Brandon Willems Memorial Scholarship. There will be social gathering to follow with silent auction, 50/50 raffle and food/drink for purchase.

Saturday, July 30, 2011 – 8:30 a.m. at SMC

Cost: \$20 (after July 22nd - \$25)

Children 6 & under are free

Registration includes a t-shirt, goodie bag and post race refreshments.

See attached flyer.

Office Depot Program

With school coming to a close this week, it seems strange to remind you about the **Office Depot Back to Schools Program**. However, our school will receive **5%** of your purchase when that time comes again to gather new school supplies. Attached to your email is a card with our **school ID # 70109513** that you can use to guarantee that St. Mary Elementary School receives credit from your purchase. Make a copy and place it in your purse or wallet. Thank you for the support. It really benefits our school.

The Menasha Brain Walk



On **Tuesday, June 21st**, the Menasha Library along with some other sponsors will hold their annual **Brain Walk from 6-8 pm**.

This is a fun event that has been held for the last three years. It is a nice family outing promoting exercise and education. This walk begins at the Menasha library, continues to the trestle bridge and then returns to the library. The children stop at booths along the way and answer trivia questions about health, safety, etc... get a card stamped and return back to the library.

Last year, the children were able to eat ice cream and visit with the fire fighters at the Fire Station.

If you have any questions please call Cassie Payne at 967-3670 or email her at Payne@menashalibrary.org at the Menasha Library.

The Menasha Health Department supports this event.