



ST. MARY SCHOOL

FAMILY NOTES

February 22, 2010

Tuesday & Friday
Can you help w/ recess?

CHILDREN'S MASS

Students in Gr. 4 will travel to Meadow Manor to celebrate Mass with the residents on Tues., Feb. 23, at 10:30. Mass at 9:00 on Thurs., Feb. 24, will be led by students in Gr. 3.

Please join us.

Science Fair and Art Show

The Annual Taylorville Schools Science Fair and Art Show will be Friday., Feb. 26, at Taylorville High School. Our students who have done science fair projects will receive results and ribbons that evening. All



of our students in Grades K—5 have entries in the Art Show. The displays are open to the public from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Spectators will not be permitted in our gym during judging on Friday morning.



Kindergarten 2009/2010

We invite you to visit with Mrs. Heinemann, our kindergarten teacher, who is prepared to explain our unique kindergarten program to parents on Thurs., March 11, at 6:00 p.m. in the Kindergarten classroom. The following day, Fri., March 12, from 9:30 to 10:30, prospective kindergarteners and parents are invited to visit our developmentally appropriate classroom where the needs of the students are met in an environment fostered by Catholic Christian values. Registration materials will be available both days. Bring copies of your child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate. Registrations will be accepted on March 11 and 12 and in the school office at any time afterwards through May 1. If you know families who might be interested in sending a kindergartener to St. Mary's next year, please pass along this information.

Pepsi Fundraiser

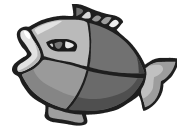
The Booster Club's annual Pepsi sale will begin Monday, March 8. Forms will be sent home that day via backpack mail. This is an "extra" fundraiser that has turned a nice profit for the school in recent years. Orders & money are due Mar. 19. The committee selected some great prizes this year, so sell, sell, sell!

FISH FRY #2

There will be a fish fry this Friday from 5-7 pm in the cafeteria. \$7.00 for adults & \$3.50 for kids under 12. **Gr. 1 parents are asked to help this week.**

This is a change from the original schedule. Fewer 1st grade families are affected by Science Fair. Gr. 4 families are asked to cover Friday, Mar. 26.

Other volunteers and desserts are welcome. March 5 helpers are Kindergarten parents.



Kids whose parents are working at a Fish Fry may attend After Care for FREE, but they must sign in and STAY with After Care supervisors until picked up by a parent. After Care ends at 5:30 and has dibs on the gym until that time. Children not signed in for After Care will be asked to leave the gym. Miss Cathy & Miss Paula must know who they are responsible for. They are being paid to watch only those children who have signed in.

Scrip orders will be delivered to you by Friday. Thanks again for taking advantage of this great program. I ordered my usual WalMart card & I'm ordering a new bedspread from Penney's with a card. Contact Terri Donnan, Tonya Bowsher, or me if you have questions.

Cathy

Spring Fling News

Sub-committees have been formed and plans are underway. Families not in attendance at the last Booster Club meeting will be asked to take a job to help with this enormously important event. (Those who attended have already signed up for a committee.) I've seen pictures of auction items that are under construction, and all I can say is, "WOW!" You'll be impressed! Families who are new to the school this year may want to contact their mentors to learn more about Spring Fling.

Coming Events:

- *Children's Choir: Feb. 25, 3:00 to 3:45
- *Market Day Pick Up: Feb. 25, 4:00 to 5:00
- *Stations of the Cross: Feb. 26, 5:30 p.m.
- *Science Fair: Feb. 26—Judging at St. Mary's during the day; display at THS that evening
- *Casimir Pulaski Day: Mar. 1—no school

Please note: Before Care begins at 7:00 a.m. Students dropped off prior to 8:10 must go to Before Care so that they are supervised. Cost for Before Care is \$1 per child per day.

100th Anniversary T-shirts

T-shirts marking the 100th anniversary of St. Mary's School are still available. Cost is \$10 per shirt. Sizes range from youth small to Youth X-large and Adult Small, Medium, and Large. Students may wear these shirts to school on Jeans Days. The shirts also proudly show our royal blue to the community!



St. Mary's Preschool

St. Mary's will create afternoon sessions for 3 & 4-year-old preschool if enrollment for 2010-11 warrants and by all appearances, it will! We're very excited about possible expansion of our Pre-K program which is considered one of the best in town. Please tell anyone who may be interested to contact the parish office at 824-8178 for registration information. Our preschool director, Shannon Mann, would be happy to answer any questions. Messages can be left for her at the parish or school office (824-6501). She'll gladly return the calls.

Lenten Coin Folder

Lenten coin folders from Holy Childhood Association went home last week. Students are asked to fill them with spare change or coins they earn doing small tasks. The filled coin folders and any extra money collected should be returned to school by Holy Week.

This collection is part of our on-going service to the missions.