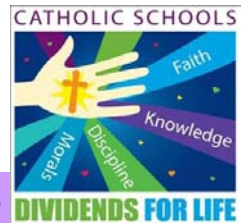




ST. ROSE SCHOOL - EXISTS TO BRING OUR CATHOLIC FAITH TO LIFE

- WEEKLY NEWSLINE -

FEATURING CLASSROOM NEWS AND MORE ~ FEBRUARY 8, 2010



MS. SMOLEY'S UPCOMING NEWS UPDATES

Congratulations to all who celebrated and received the Sacrament of Confirmation this past weekend.

Special thanks to Fr. O'Reilly, Mrs. Cole, Sr. Mary Brett, and Mrs. Gentile, for leading us in Mass on Friday. **Congratulations** to the 8th grade class for being the top canned food donors for the month. Thank you Mrs. Moore for delivering the food to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Locker.

Many thanks to Scott Miller and the **Saturday Workday crew**: Kevin Lindroos, Arlene Johnson, Dirk Feenstra, Marissa Ziegler. Your commitment to keeping our campus looking fresh and clean is much appreciated.

A Night To Go Wild

~ Please Save the Date ~ Saturday, March 13, 2010



To ensure we have a variety of great items for the auction, we are asking for your help. **This week, is "Donate an Item to the Auction Week"**.

Each day is dedicated to a different category:

- ◇ Monday – *Family Fun* (games, movie tickets, etc)
- ◇ Tuesday – *Household Items and Décor*
- ◇ Wednesday – *Wine, Wine, and More Wine* – by the bottle or by the case.
- ◇ Thursday – Gift Cards (Gas, Food, AmEx, Department Stores, etc.) or Baskets (Large or Small Baskets to create our desirable Gift Baskets)

Auction volunteers will be at loop (morning and afternoon) ready to accept your donation. Donate on one day or donate everyday. If you need a donation form, please find it on our website at www.stroseauction.com, along with more information about the event. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Also, check out the auction website to preview the class projects—they are fabulous!

This week's **Academic Decathlon meetings** are on Tuesday 3-5pm and Thursday 3-4pm in the science room. The Academic Decathlon Event will be on Saturday March 6th at Christian Brothers High School.

Yearbook messages/ads are due Wed., Feb 10. Please email Mrs. Grant and return the completed form and money due for confirmation. Thank you

Thank you to all who have completed and returned the **2010-11 Pre-enrollment Information and Family Data Verification** forms. We appreciate your assistance as we prepare the **2010-2011 registration packets** which will be sent home on Tues., March 16 with your oldest St. Rose School child. **Siblings of current students** (and **current TK**) have first priority for school registration, however, a completed application and the fee must be received by **Thurs., Feb. 11, '10**.

Student Council is selling **Valentine Candy Grams for 50 cents each** before school and during morning recess times through **Tuesday, Feb. 9**. The Candy Grams will be delivered to the students in their classrooms on 2/11. The proceeds will benefit **St. Jude Children's Hospital**.



K-8th grade students and staff may dress for **Valentine's Day** on **February 11, 2010**. Dressing with the Parent/Student Handbook guidelines in mind for free dress day—**dress in your favorite Valentine colors such as; red, pink, white or purple**.

The next Auction Coordinator planning meeting is scheduled to meet on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 7 pm in the library.

We are observing **President's Holiday** with a **4-day weekend** Fri., 2/12—Mon., 2/15; No School or Extended Day Care. School resumes Tues., Feb. 16th.

All are welcome to attend the 9 am **Ash Wednesday** school Mass with us on **Wednesday, February 17th**. **Holy Childhood** collection boxes will be distributed on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. The donations collected for Holy Childhood will be collected on March 9th to send to them.

Coaches applications for the 2010-11 school year are available in the school office and are due back completed no later than **Friday, February 19, 2010** to Dave Koumelis, Athletic Director.

P.A.L. Spring 2010 Sports Participation forms were sent home today **with interested students** (boys volleyball-grades 7-8 / co-ed track grades 5-8). Golf team forms will be sent home later this week too. The completed forms and fees are **due by Friday, February 19, 2010**.

6th-7th-8th Grade Parents you are invited to attend a **Grade Level Focus Meeting** on **Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 6:30-7:30 pm** in the 5th gr. classroom (new location). I look forward to seeing you there!

Many thanks to Parent Guild, Christy Feener, Kristen Schilmeyer, and the room parents for making Friday so special. The breakfast, coffees, and gifts were superb. We are so blessed to have such wonderful parent volunteers amongst us. Special thanks to Mrs. Oros, Mrs. Hubrig, Mrs. Snyder, and Sr. Mary Brett for planning such great Catholic Schools' Week activities.

TEACHERS' WEEKLY UPDATES

Mrs. Heath's TK Class

TK learns that we are followers of Jesus. Like the crowds of people that came to the seashore to listen to Jesus proclaim the coming of the kingdom. We listen, we learn, and we focus on ourselves and our families as followers of Jesus too. Have a blessed week.

Ms. Brown's Kindergarten Class

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Turkish Rondo is our Music Minute for the week. The children will listen closely for the many music patterns. The children will work more with ten frames to build and count to 30 and beyond. They will learn about the Arctic Hare that lives in that very cold place and uses camouflage to escape its enemies. We will celebrate the love that God puts in our hearts by sharing valentines with family and friends. Mrs. Snyder introduced us to Jim Dine, an artist who likes to draw and paint hearts.

Mrs. Grant's 1st Grade Class

We will be starting a new unit in reading, Journeys. We will learn the spellings for the goo card: oo, _ue, u, u_e, and _ew, and the foot card: oo. In social studies we will be looking at maps and the globe. During math we will be working on sums through 16. Our chapter in religion will cover the sacrament of Baptism. Father Joshy might stop in to talk with us about baptism this week. The students may bring in pictures and symbols from their baptism to share with the class. We will be handing out our valentines Thursday afternoon. Please bring your valentines to school in a bag with your name on the outside. Hope everyone has a wonderful four day weekend.

Mrs. Oros' 2nd Grade Class

Parents, I did not send Friday folder work last week—I will combine it all with this week's work, since we have a short week this week. Thanks so much for the beautiful scrapbook! I will treasure the children's notes for many years to come! I loved all of my goodies and flowers, too! Thank You All! I hope you received a whale / valentine note on Friday explaining some whale report and Valentine Party details. The report is due on Tues., February 16th and our Valentine Party is on Wed., February 10th at 2:00. Have a lovely week!

Mrs. Hubrig's 3rd Grade Class CAMP WANNALEARN NEWS

THANK YOU so much for the beautiful camp scrapbook, flowers, soda, and candy for Teacher Appreciation Day last Friday. I have perused the scrapbook at least 4 times and love it. Thank you for all of the time you put into the book—it is priceless. I am very excited for the rangers to begin their oral presentations for their president. The puppets are spectacular and I look forward to three days of fantastic *speeches*. Due to the short week, we will have our social studies test on Wednesday and our spelling test on Thursday. We will have a Valentine's Party on Thursday (10:15-11:35). Rangers are not required to bring in valentine cards, but if they choose to, they must bring them for the entire class. The rangers can work on a "valentine box" at home in which to place their valentine cards. All boxes must be at school by Thursday. Old shoe boxes work great for this purpose. Rangers need to make sure there is a hole in the box in which to place the valentine cards. Note: Please do not put names on the valentine cards so that we can get the cards passed out quickly. We have our first ranger who has reached the summit (10 stations for field day) of Mt. WannaLearn-Katarina A. Great job, Katarina! Congratulations to Ashley Chinn who is our Scout of the Week this week. Yamahooza!

Mrs. Gebhardt's K-3rd Gr. Phys. Ed Classes

This week we will continue to learn different footwork while jumping individual ropes. The students have made their teams for Jump Rope for Heart. This week they will be making their team poster.



The Parent Guild is hosting an all school Snow Day on Mon., 3/8/10. More details to follow soon...

TEACHERS' WEEKLY UPDATES CONTINUED

Mrs. Deprez's Fourth Grade Class

Roses are red, violets are blue, your poems were awesome, and I appreciate you. Thank you for the very special teacher appreciation gifts. I will treasure the book of poems. **Eureka**, WE found it! This week the discovery of gold is the focus. In the novel, *By the Great Horn Spoon*, the characters Jack and Praiseworthy are aboard the Lady Wilma in their attempt to get to the gold fields in California. In social studies, we "find" gold and learn the ways to mine it. The science lessons this week are all about simple machines: lever, pulley, wheel/axle, inclined plane, screw and wedge. A letter will come home this week about the supplies needed from home to make our gold-rush era lanterns. This is a fun project that blends the science and social studies curriculum. There is a math test on Monday. This test is all about division. There will also be a math fact drill on Thursday. Writer's workshop continues with sensory poetry. Rough drafts need to be completed this week so editing and revising can take place. The spelling lesson this week is on plurals. The spelling test will be on Friday. The class Valentine Party is on Thursday. There is no school on Friday or Monday. Enjoy your 4-day Presidential Holiday weekend. If you are interested, the new Maidu Museum & Historic Site will hold its opening day on Sat., Feb. 13th. There are many activities planned. Please visit: www.roseville.ca.us/indianmuseum for more information.

Sr. Brett's 4th & 5th Grades' Religion Classes

Many thanks to the wonderful parents for the delicious breakfast on Friday morning. Thanks too, for all the treats. You are awesome. The fourth graders are studying the Fourth commandment and completing the Mass project. The fifth graders are working on the prayer unit. The students will have a test on Thursday.



Mrs. Silva for Mrs. Mounkes' 5th Grade Class

Thank you, fifth graders, for the wonderful notes I received for teacher appreciation day. Thank you, also, to the parents who coordinated the effort. I saw Mrs. Mounkes and Kaia on Friday. Both are doing very well. I gave her the New Mommy Manual and her teacher appreciation gifts. She does plan on visiting once Kaia is a little bigger and better able to fight off all our germs. Kaia is absolutely adorable! We had several students interested in the math competition, so they gave up their lunch to take a little math test. All 7 students who tried were great candidates, but we could only pick 3. We used 2 math tests and current math grades to make our selections. So, congratulations go to Anton, Matt G. and Bridget. They will represent St. Rose 5th graders at the Loretto Math Competition in March. Congratulation also goes to Emily who will be our alternate. Since the next two weeks are short weeks, we are putting reading and spelling tests on hold again. We will concentrate on vocabulary, grammar, and our State Reports. Students will need to read a great deal of expository text to collect information for their states, so reading is not being neglected. We will have another adverb quiz on **Tuesday** and a vocabulary test on **Thursday**. In Social Studies, we will have a quiz on section 2 on **Tuesday** and a quiz on Section 3 on **Wednesday**. We will be using part of our Social Studies time (as well as our Reading time) to collect information on our states. Please check on your student's progress and ask them about due dates! In Science, we will have our **Chapter 6 test** on **Wednesday** (postponed from last week). The class did much better on the math test for multiplication and division of fractions. We will start a new chapter on data analysis this week. I hope everyone has a wonderful week!

Mrs. Cole's 6th Grade Class

On the morning of Thursday, 2/11, 6th graders will enjoy treats and drinks in honor of birthdays that occur outside of the school calendar. I'd like this to occur between 9:15 and 9:45. Chocolate chip cookies and juice have been offered: thank you! This date coincides with St. Rose's celebration of Valentine's Day. If your child is distributing Valentine wishes, please make sure all 6th graders are included. In literature this week, they will write an essay which analyzes the characterization of Timmy Meeker. For this essay, students will practice taking notes and citing examples from the novel. Thank you for the copies of THE GREEK GODS! In vocabulary, a review test will be given on Thursday.

Mrs. Cole's 7th and 8th Grades' Literature Classes

All 7th and 8th grade students who need extra guidance in essay writing should come to room 6 during lunch for my help. 7th graders will take a break from novel reading this week. I will feature poetry in the literature text, beginning on page 704. Some creative poetry writing will be encouraged. Eighth graders continue their project on *To Kill a Mockingbird*, through the end of chapter 23. An important deadline occurs on Feb. 11: students must commit in writing to a topic for their term papers. Please discuss their interests in the novel with them.

Mrs. Gardner's 7th Grade Homeroom Class

First of all, thank you SO much for the awesome coffee mug decorated with a picture of all the 7th graders for Teacher Appreciation Day! It is so great! I also received personal notes from all the students that I'm savoring by opening and reading them a few at a time. The words are so important to me. And, thank you to the Parent Guild for the scrumptious brunch complete with lattes and mochas! It was a full and festive Catholic Schools Week, and the 7th graders and I appreciate the work of everyone who made it so. The students will have two weeks to complete Unit 13 in vocabulary, and they will begin a chapter in religion about the miracles of Jesus this week. We will have a Valentine's Day celebration on Thursday, and the students will be exchanging cards. Happy Valentine's Day!

Schoolhouse Catering Weekly Lunch Menu:

- Mon., 2/8/10: Pepperoni Pizza / Fruit Salad / Carrot Sticks / Dessert
- Tues., 2/9/10: Baked Potato with Chili & Cheese or Sour Cream / Salad / Mini Treat
- Wed., 2/10/10: Taquitos / Chips & Salsa / Fruit / Cookie
- Thurs., 2/11/10: Mac n Cheese / Garlic Bread / Garden Salad / Dessert



Mrs. Gardner's 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade English Classes

The **6th and 8th** grade have taken their chapter tests on prepositional phrases, and the **7th grade** will be taking a chapter test on Tuesday. **All classes** will be studying conjunctions, interjections, and beginning chapters on sentence structure this week. The **8th grade** has an essay due Wednesday.

Ms. Castori's 8th Grade Homeroom Class

Last week the parent guide for Dr. Planta's presentation went home. She will be talking about teen dating violence on Wednesday. Due to an extended weekend coming up, the 8th graders will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Thursday. If they would like to bring a little something for their classmates, they must bring enough for the whole class. My math class is finishing up their chapter on graphs and functions.

Ms. Castori's 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Social Studies Classes

The **sixth grade** continues with their study of Ancient China. **Seventh graders** should be working on their Medieval Castle project that is due on Feb. 23. **Eighth graders** study Manifest Destiny.

Mrs. Keller's 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades' Math Classes

Please come by for help before school, recesses, lunch or after school if you need it this week. **Seventh grade** is finishing up in Chapter 7 still and will have a quiz on Thursday and a Chapter 7 test early next week. **Sixth grade** is finishing Chapter 7 and will have a Chapter 7 Test on Thursday. **Eighth grade** is starting Chapter 8 and will not have a quiz this week!

Mrs. Keller's 8th, 7th, & 6th Grades' Science Classes

Please come by for help before school, recesses, lunch or after school if you need it this week. The **8th graders** will present their Food Label Lab projects and 'soap lab'. The Chapter 4 (2nd book) test will be early next week. **Seventh graders** are finishing up with Chapter 7.1-7.2 and Chapter 8. They will most likely have the combined test on this Thursday. **Sixth graders** will be working on Chapter 7 with a bunch of labs that revolve around erosion, soil and weathering.

Senora Egan's 8th & 7th Grades' Spanish Classes

Students have been assigned new vocabulary and are making a bingo grid with visuals to help us learn the new vocabulary. Both grades enjoy this activity because it is fun and it appeals to all learning styles. Our 24 vocabulary words are animals. The students are also writing sentences with the vocabulary.

Mr. Ricci's 6th & 7th Grades' Math Classes

Sixth graders are moving on to another chapter, introducing students to statistics. Look for a quiz on Thursday. **Seventh graders** will finish their tests today and will get an introduction to an upcoming project. No quiz at the end of the week

Mr. Ricci's 4th-8th Grades' Physical Education Classes

We will begin to test this week. This is a long process and I hope to be completed by Easter break. Any student missing an event will make it up as long as they have qualified in the 4 other events. Eighth grade homework this week is on PRISONBALL.

Mrs. Snyder's K-8th Grades' Art Classes

This week in art, the kindergartners will experience the "hearts" of Jim Dine, a Pop artist still creating in Oakland today. We will learn about the real-life St. Valentine, a Christian hero who was also a medical doctor in the early Church, as our literature connection. The children will create an oil pastel/watercolor card in the style of Jim Dine. The 1st-4th grades will work with clay to create an unusual and textural ceramic Valentine. As a science connection, the students will look carefully at how the heart is put together and beats for us thousands of times a day for our entire life. What a miracle the human body is!

Mrs. Falappino's 3rd-8th Grade Extracurricular Music

Thanks to **Senior Chorus** for leading songs at last Wednesday's Patriotic Day Assembly. There is no **Jazz Band** this Friday, Feb. 12th, and no **Beginning Bell Choir** on Monday, Feb. 15th, due to the long weekend for President's Day.

More News from Mrs. Keller... Biotech Expo Poster Contest entries have been delivered to UC Davis for judging. Posters will be judged, then exhibited, and awarded on Sat., Feb. 13, 2010. Place and time TBA



The Loretto Math Invitational roster is complete and the students will receive more instructions and information in the following weeks. The competition is on Saturday, March 27th from 9 am to noon at CBHS.

Got Scrip? Scrip and Cash...

You may have read an article in the Bee recently about a woman who was dissatisfied with her gift cards for a fast food restaurant because they would not give her cash back. The headline made it sound like gift cards were problematic when, if you read into the article, the woman walked in and wanted cash for the cards she had been given. No food, just money. The clerks were flummoxed, corporate was alerted, and the customer did, in fact, get her cash as the cards were \$10 cards. You do have the right under California law to get your change back for \$10 or less, except for "Bank Cards" which have other rules. So next time your Starbucks gets down to 26¢, ask for the change instead of amassing a small fortune in cards totaling less than \$1.00. But please don't walk in and expect to sell back your \$10 gift cards. We need these businesses to continue giving through scrip!

