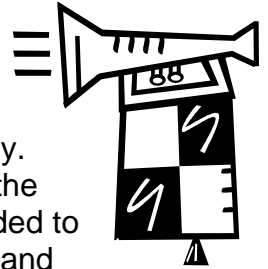




Campus Connection

The weekly newsletter for St. Joseph, St. Mary, & St. William Campus

ANNOUNCING GOOD NEWS!



We are pleased to announce that Waukesha Catholic Middle School has been awarded a \$25,000 grant to initiate a science program called Gateway to Technology. We are most grateful to the Kern Family Foundation for the opportunity afforded by the grant to help our young people learn through hands on projects about the skills needed to be the “engineers of the future.” “Gateway to Technology,” will be incorporated into and enhance our science curriculum in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. Five nine week modules include:

- **Design and Modeling** which introduces the students to the design process. They will discover how solid modeling has influenced their lives, learn sketching techniques and descriptive geometry as a component of design, measurement and computer modeling.
- **The Magic of Electrons** which includes hands-on projects where students will explore the science of electricity, movement of atoms, circuit design and sensing devices.
- **The Science of Technology** which traces how science has affected technology throughout history. Students will learn about the mechanics of motion, the conversion of energy and the use of science to improve communication.
- **Automation and Robotics** which motivates the students to discover the history and development of automation and robotics. Students will learn about structures, energy transfer and machine automation as well as acquire knowledge and skills in engineering problem solving.
- **Flight and Space** has been developed with NASA and explores the technology of aeronautics, propulsion and rocketry. Students see the connections between hands-on projects and academic subjects such as math and science.

Part of the grant includes special teacher training at MSOE this summer and in the future.

Don't be surprised if you hear of “adults like us” sneaking into the classes to learn with “the kids!”

The high school component of this program will soon be part of the curriculum at Catholic Memorial, so our young people can continue to explore “pre” engineering courses through high school, if they desire. The public schools also offer such courses at the high school level. We are the second middle school in the Archdiocese to have this great opportunity and are grateful to The Milwaukee Foundation and the Kern Family Foundation for making this possible.



Carolyn Caruso and Maureen Gallagher

NEED TO KNOW

Report Cards

Report cards will be sent home on Friday, April 11th.

Summer Camp

Registration today! If you misplaced your forms Camp offerings and registration forms for Summer Camp are on line at the Waukesha Catholic web site – www.wcssonline.org under the tab Newsletter.



Walk-A-Thon

On Tuesday, May 6th, Waukesha Catholic is having a school Walk-A-Thon. Last week you received the Walk-A-Thon Packet. Hopefully, you are all collecting donations to support your Home and School sponsored family and student events. Please find the Walk-A-Thon incentive information and permission slip in today's packet. This is sure to be an exciting event. The Brewers/Klements Racing Sausages will be there, with a few other surprises. Stay Tuned. Thank you for your support.

Climate Survey

Please don't forget to return the Climate Survey that was sent out in last week's packet.

Joy and Sadness

The Walz family. (Eli Gr. 6 & Madeline Gr. 3 at SM), welcomed a new member into their family on March 17th, Carl Robert. Congratulations! On Friday, March 21st Eli's great grandmother passed away. Grandma Engstrom did get a chance to see Carl. Please be sure to keep this family in your prayers.

ATHLETIC NEWS

Track

Track season is under way. We will need a lot of help this Saturday at the indoor meet. A team parent should be contacting many to help at certain times. Please also be prepared to help if called on the day of the meet.

Help Needed

5th grade boys track team is in need of help. Mr. Wally Furrer needs some assistant coaches and a team parent. Please contact Tom McElmeel immediately if you are willing to step up and help out.

Athletic Board Election

Elections for Athletic Board will happen at sign up night on May 27th. Please contact Tom McElmeel or Rachel Baker if interested in a Board position. Please let us know by the end of April.

Basketball Uniform Request

We are still missing some basketball uniforms. Please launder them and return to school tomorrow. Be sure to include your student's name with the uniform.

FUNDRAISERS

Scrip

- ❖ Scrip orders for the week of April 7th were \$ 28,530 with \$ 1,117 in profits.
- ❖ For additional Scrip order forms:

<http://www.wcssonline.org/Documents/NewsLetters/SCRIP%20ORDER%20FORM%201-22-2008.pdf>

McDonald's Night Reminder



Don't feel like cooking Monday night (April 14th)? Take the family to McDonald's. Stop at one of three locations: West Avenue & Sunset Drive, Hwy. 164 & Main St. or Silvernail Rd. for dinner. Your support benefits Waukesha Catholic Home and School.

OTHER EVENTS

Kidsfest

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee and Catholic Schools will sponsor the Learning Lab at the 5th annual Metroparent Magazine KIDSfest. The family event will take place on Saturday, April 12th from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, April 13th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Expo Center at State Fair Park in West Allis. Admission is free and open to the public. State Fair parking is \$5.

Fishing Clinics

Minooka Park is offering a fishing clinic on Saturday, April 12th, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For more information call 414-263-8614.

RECOGNITION

8th Grade Star

Alec A, a St. Joe's 8th grader, will be performing in *A YEAR WITH FROG AND TOAD* at First Stage Children's Theater. The show runs from April 4th through May 18th at the Todd Wehr Theater in the Marcus Center for the Performing Arts.

Two casts of young actors perform alternately in the production. Alec will be performing on the following dates at 1:00 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.: April 6th, 12th, 20th, and 26th, May 2nd, 10th, 17th, and 18th.

If you are interested in attending one of Alec's performances, please visit www.FirstStage.org and create an account or log in using Source Code 9354. You may also order tickets at the Marcus Center box office in person or by phone at (414) 273-7206.

Doubly Blessed!

Chris and Ann Langemak are the proud parents of twins! Brady and Emma were born on March 30th. They have been welcomed by their big brother Ryan. Congratulations to all!



Congratulations

Erin Brehm, an alumna of Waukesha Catholic has been named co – salutatorian of the Divine Savior Holy Angels High School Class of 2008. Job well done, Erin. We are proud of you!

Waukesha Catholic Alumna Update



Erin Monfre, a 2001 graduate of Waukesha Catholic, and member of the Marquette women's basketball team played with an angel on her shoulder this past weekend. Erin lost her mom to cancer this year. She scored a season-high 15 points, hitting 5 of 8 three-pointers and helped Marquette win the women's NIT championship.

CAMPUS HI-LITES

ST. JOSEPH

Included in This Week's Packet

Scholastic Book Fair Spring Flyer
Scrip To Youngest
Gr. 8 Field Trip Permission

Thank You!

The snow is almost gone and another fantastic ski trip season ended. Thanks go out to all the wonderful chaperones who helped whether it was riding the bus, helping with equipment and/or skiing with the students.

A special thanks to Mary Werner who entered skier information for the last few years. Students, thank you for the way you represented St. Joe's Middle School. I am very proud of you!

I would like to thank you too for the generous gifts you gave me. It truly is a pleasure to take your student on these trips. *Kitty Greil*

Forgotten Lunch Request

We are in need of donations of pre-packaged food for students who forget their lunch. Items such as fruit cups, granola bars, crackers & fruit snacks are appreciated by all of the students. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Last Hot Dog Wednesday

Special thanks to the dedicated hot dog day volunteers who served up another wonderful lunch: Kevin Lang, Tom Loppnow, Carol Mathison, Patricia Pielt, Beth Szolyga, Diana Banda-Martinez and our coordinator, Jeff Jonas.

Did You Know?

The 6th graders are participating in the Junior Achievement Program. Junior Achievement is a not-for-profit organization financed by businesses, foundations, and individuals. The purpose of JA is to educate and inspire young people to value free enterprise, business, and economics to improve the quality of their lives. Since its founding in 1919, JA has contributed to business and economics education. We have three different volunteers who are teaching Global Market. This program provides practical information about the global economy and its effect on students' daily lives.

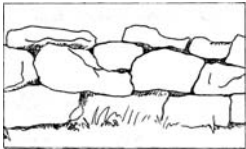


Information Available

Please stop in the SJ Campus Office if you would like any of the information below:
Waukesha West HS Pom and Dance Team Try Out Flyer or Cheerleading Tryout info

ST. MARY

Building the Foundation to Greatness



The students and their families are to be commended for their thoughtful almsgiving during Lent. A total of **\$1,627.00** was collected and will be sent to "Operation Michael", A CMH service project making the community aware of Homelessness, and "Children Helping Children" sponsored by the School Sisters of St. Francis. Way to go!

High Interest Day Volunteers

On Friday, April 25th from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., volunteers are needed to "chaperone" the groups while presentations are happening. Volunteers also assist the students moving from class to class. Please contact Melissa Radke at 262.549.9931 or mradke1@wi.rr.com if you are able to help.

Thanks.

In Today's Packet

Hot Lunch Volunteer form
Sock Hop flyer
Immunization Law Fact Sheet
Milwaukee Rescue Mission Bake Sale
Walk-a-thon permission slip
Scrip form





Looking Ahead

Wednesday, April 9th: Non-uniform day
 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade attend Milwaukee Symphony
 Friday, April 11th: Report cards sent home
 Sock Hop 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
 Monday, April 14th: Hot Lunch forms are due!
 McDonald's Night



ST. WILLIAM

After Care

After Care will be available on Wednesday, April 23rd from 11:30 to 6:00 p.m., please contact Mrs. Cage if you plan to have your child/ren attend on this date.

End of Quarter 3

April 4th is the last day of the third quarter. Report cards will be sent home on Friday, April 11th.

Lenten Charity

We have sent checks totaling \$1,650 to the School Sisters of St. Francis for their work with the orphans in Guatemala. The quilt raffle raised nearly \$200 for this cause. Thank you to all who made donations by their participation in Fun Fair, Lenten Raffle, Lenten Banks, and all the volunteers who helped run all of these activities. The children of Guatemala and the sisters appreciate your generosity.

Hot Lunch

The hot lunch orders for May/June are due to the office by April 9th. Late orders can not be accepted.

Market Day

The next Market Day pick-up will be on Wednesday, April 9th from 3:30 to 4:30pm in the gym.

Box Top Update

Bowling for Box Tops lane refs Mrs. Tapp, Vaughan, Hallett, Rooney, McWilliams and Stimac are trying to keep up with the "rolling" in of Box Tops – YEAH! Mrs. Flood's Second Grade Strikers "floods" the lanes with strikes and had a perfect game going up until now. Mrs. Bernhardt's Bowling Legends are fired up and brought in 861 Box Tops!...and may take advantage of the situation. Mrs. Carlin's First Placers rolled in 758 Box Tops...a record for them. Mrs. Heck's Little Laners and Mrs. Martin's Lane Leaders are not going to give up, but may need to brush up on their bowling technique. But Mrs. Kostolni's Bowling Busters and Ms. Kinoshian's Three Strike Turkeys are in need of a bowling lesson or at the very least, need to spare up some Box Tops from siblings in other grades! Keep sending the Box Tops in... we are in the 5th frame and the games are posted on the wall at the school! There's lots of "game" left! We applaud all of those team members who brought in 3,322 Box Tops in the last two weeks. (8,821 since the tournament began)

Looking Ahead:

04-11-08	Report Cards sent home
04-17-08	No-Uniform day
04-23-08	Early dismissal at 11:30am –teacher in-service day
04-29-08	Spring Band Concert at Shattuck auditorium @ 7pm –includes SWC Cadet band members (Dress rehearsal in the morning)
05-07-08	New (2008-2009) K4 and K5 parent orientation –6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
05-09-08	New (2008-2009) K4 and K5 student orientation:
	K4 9:00 to 10:00
	K5 8:45 to 9:45 (current K5 students have the day off)

Included in Today's Packet:

WKCE Results for Gr. 4 Parents