

ST. MATT'S MATTERS

May 28, 2010

MISSION STATEMENT

As a Christian community of believers at St. Matthew School in Oak Creek, we declare our mission to be one in which we promote academic excellence by providing a high quality, Catholic education. Through value-centered education and spiritual nourishment we strive to meet the needs of our families. Our mission is to build a Catholic community where we encourage others to proclaim the Gospel with compassion and hope.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents,

I want to begin this week's note with "thank you's."

On Monday, our students taking instrumental lessons from All Saints Music performed at an assembly and did a wonderful job: their dedication to learning their instruments was clearly evident. "Thank you" for an entertaining musical program.

On Thursday, the Second Graders, under the direction of Mrs. Breen, presented the play "Pinocchio" in both afternoon and evening performances. The second grader's hard work was certainly appreciated, and their performances were a real treat!

Finally, "thank you" to all the parents who volunteer to chaperone our field trips. Today, our K5 and 8th grade buddies visited the zoo, while the 5th graders journeyed to the Old Wade House.

Our school picnic is next Friday. Pray for a warm, sunny day.

Enjoy the long Memorial Day weekend!

As always, thank you for supporting Catholic education.

Julianna Barber

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, 5/28 – Soccer Classic, 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, 5/29 – Soccer Classic, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Sunday, 5/30 – Soccer Classic, noon-4:00 p.m.

Monday, 5/31 – NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day

Tuesday, 6/1 – GYM Classes; Out of Uniform; Jeopardy Final, 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 6/2 – NO Gym Classes

Thursday, 6/3 – Grades 6 and 7, Art Museum/St. Joan of Arc Chapel; Middle School Graduation Dance, 5:00-8:30 p.m.

Friday, 6/4 – School Picnic, 9:00-2:00

Saturday, 6/5 – Home and School Golf Outing, 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, 6/6 – Grade 8, Graduation Mass, followed by Reception, 2:00 p.m.

SOCCER CLASSIC – Stop by this weekend and enjoy some exciting soccer games, great food and fun. The tournament will be held this Friday, from 5:00-10:00, Saturday, 8:00-8:00 and Sunday, noon-4:00 p.m. Come out and support the Bulldogs. See you there!

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY – As a thank you for the great job done by all on the Christmas CD for the Auction, there will be an Out of Uniform day on Tuesday, June 1st. Students can wear clothing of their choice. For details of what is acceptable clothing, see the flier in your family folder today.

AUCTION NEWS – Congratulations to Abby Luther (grade 8). She is the daughter of our 4th grade teacher, Mrs. Luther. She is the winner of the CD contest cover. Way to go Abby! Our next Auction meeting will be held on June 16, 6:30 p.m. at Debbie Sievert's home. Please join us. Call Debbie for directions at 262-835-1800. Our July meeting will be on the 20th or 21st (time and place to be announced). Hold the date.

GYM CLASS – Please note as stated on the June calendar that a few of the June gym classes have been changed. There WILL BE physical education classes on Tuesday, June 1, and Tuesday, June 8, but NOT on Wednesday, June 2 or Monday, June 7.

EXTENDED CARE REMINDER - No after school (10:30 a.m. dismissal) extended care on Thursday, June 10th. (We will be open before school only.)

HONORS ASSEMBLY – Thursday, June 10, after the 9:15 a.m. Mass, the 7th and 7th grade academic medals and 4th quarter honor roll assembly will be held. Please join us!

JEOPARDY FINAL – Everyone is invited to watch the Jeopardy final being held on Tuesday, June 1, at 2:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

8TH GRADE GRADUATION – Celebrate with us as our 8th graders graduate on Sunday, June 6. Mass begins at 2:00 p.m. followed by a social. Best wishes to our graduates!

5K SOCIAL – On Wednesday, June 9, our 5K students will celebrate the conclusion of the school year with a kindergarten social. Please join us at 9:30 a.m. in church.

USED BOOK SALE – In case you missed the St. Matthew's 2nd Annual Used Book Sale, it will be held again on Tuesday, June 1. All books are 25 cents. The sale will be held in the school library during school hours.

HELP WANTED - June 14th - The Buildings and Grounds team is preparing to continue installing the ceiling tile and new lighting work in three of the lower level classrooms in the main building. Start time is 5:00 p.m. This work is being funded by the Faith in Our Future (FIOF) campaign. If you can help with the ceiling tile removal or if you have experience putting in new ceiling tile grids, please call or email Alan Bronikowski. He can be reached at 414-762-5770 or abronikowski@wi.rr.com or contact Tom Schneider at the parish

ALUMNI NEWS - Saint Thomas More High School would like to congratulate the following St. Matthew's alumni for graduating from high school. William Schulner will attend UW-Platteville and Richard Schwanda will attend UW-Milwaukee. Schulner was on the honor roll for all four years.

ST. MATTHEW'S SCHOOL AUCTION CLASS WREATHS - We are still in need of coordinators for next year's Class Wreaths. A coordinator is needed for the following grades: 1st, 3rd, 5th, 6th and 7th. Help support the St. Matthew's School Auction by coordinating your child's Class Wreath. Contact Jennifer Janquart at 414-761-0626 or rjanquart1@wi.rr.com

MANY THANKS - I would like to thank all of the parent helpers who tutor and supervise 8th grade study hall Monday through Thursday each week. They are a dedicated group of parents and many of them have been doing it for several years. Special thanks to Mrs. Butzer, Mrs. Cheaney, Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Sullivan. I'm sure that the 8th graders are thankful as well. Much appreciation to the 8th grade dissection helpers this year: Mrs. Butzer, Mrs. Cheaney and Mrs. Maurer. I would also like to thank Mrs. Craig who does the weekly copying of all those worksheets that we use everyday. And thanks to Mr. Roland Starszak who helps me with 7th grade Science labs. You are a great help to me and my students! Thank you for the difference you have made here. *Mrs. McDonald*

PARENTS OF SERVERS - The June and July schedule is in your family folder today. On the back of the schedule is an updated Server list. IF your child cannot make his/her scheduled date, PLEASE make every effort to either switch with someone or find a substitute. Mark the dates on your calendar since it is summer time. Thank you! *Mrs. Wargin*

LUNCH IOU'S - We are no longer accepting IOU's. Anyone that does not have a lunch ticket or money for lunch will not be able to obtain an IOU. The students will receive a peanut butter sandwich instead. In addition, you may not have extra milk if you do not have money. Please pay existing IOU's ASAP.

PARISH-PARENT CONTRACT - Contracts are due! Complete, sign and return to the school office. A copy will be returned to you.

REPORT CARDS - Report cards will be mailed the week of June 15. Remember that your report card will be held if all contractual obligations are not met. This includes Home and School obligations, tuition and extended care.

LOST AND FOUND - The lost and found is on display outside the school office. Please take a few minutes to claim lost items.

FINAL STATEMENTS - The final statements with fundraising, service hours and Home and School Meeting attendance went home last week along with an amount due if obligations are not met. Just a reminder that after June 1 fundraising profits will be applied toward next year's fundraising. Also, report cards will be held if Home and School contractual obligations, tuition and/or extended care fees are outstanding. Call the school office if you have any questions. office. We really need help!

NESTLE WATER BOTTLE LABELS - The program has ended and we no longer collect these labels. Home and School thanks you for your participation.

SERVERS -	May 29	5:00 p.m.: Jacob Hochschild	Cross: Drew Butzer
	May 30	7:30 a.m.: Lauren Tehan	Cross: Corinne Luczak
		9:30 a.m.: Noah Stout	Cross: Michael Silva

WE COLLECT - St. Matthew's School collects the following items to earn money and/or supplies: McDonald's receipts, empty HP ink/toner cartridges, General Mills box tops, Campbell's UPC codes, Kemps milk caps and labels, Golden Guernsey/ Morning Glory milk caps and cancelled postage stamps. It is helpful if you separate the items. They can be placed in the marked drawers in the plastic bin in the hallway outside of church or sent to the school office. In addition to these collection programs, the school also participates in the Pick 'n Save We Care Program as well as the Target Red Card program. Thank you for supporting our school.

St. Matthew School is accepting registration for grades 5K-8.
(We are currently at capacity in 4K but are accepting wait list status.)
Tell a neighbor, tell a friend, remember the Refer-a-Family Program.

“Live the life you've imagined.”

Go Make a Difference

SAVE THE DATE—BACK TO SCHOOL DAY
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2010, ANYTIME BETWEEN NOON AND 6:00 P.M.
FIRST DAY OF CLASSES IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST.
4K AND 5K ONLY WILL HAVE AN 11:20 A.M. DISMISSAL THIS DAY.