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Upcoming Events

Feb. 12: Valentines parties at school at 10:00
Feb. 13: VB at St. Pat's at 10:00
Feb. 15: No school President's Day
Feb. 16: VB at South Pekin at 4:15
Feb. 18: VB at Robein at 4:30
Feb. 23: VB at Riverview at 5:00
Feb. 25: VB at Flanigan at 5:00
Feb. 27: VB a Morton Blesses Sac at 9:00
Mar. 1: PTO Meeting
Mar. 2: VB at Limestone at 4:15
Mar. 4: VB at Peoria Christian at 4:30
Mar. 6, 8-10: VB 7th gr. Regionals
Mar. 8: No School Teachers meeting
Mar. 12: End of quarter VB 8th gr. Regionals
Mar 29 -Apr. 5: No School -Easter Break

The E-Falcon Newsletter

Feb. 11, 2020

Return to School Form

Please be sure to take the time to fill out the return form that is with this newsletter. This form will tell us if you plan to return to St. Mary's School for in the fall of 2021. We need to know if you are returning to be able to hold your spot for the 2021-22 school year. Please return form by Friday Feb. 12. Thank you in advance.

Family List

The family list will be sent via email in the coming weeks. This consist of your name, address, phone number, email address and child's name and grade. If you do not want your name or whatever published, call the school or send an email.

Please continue to keep extra masks in your child's book bag. Also, be sure that your child has gloves, hats and warm coats for going outside.

Catholic Schools Week Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all our participants, our runner up Siena Stone and our winner Claire Noe! Best of luck as you advance to your next competition!

Lunch Menu

(Subject to change)

All lunches include milk (Feb. 15-19)

Mon., Feb. 15 – No School - Presidents Day

Tues., Feb. 16 – Mini corn dogs, chips, carrots, strawberries

Wed., Feb. 17 – Cheese pizza, corn, pineapple

Thurs., Feb. 18 – Chicken sandwich, fries, green beans, peaches

Fri., Feb. 19 – Early dismissal – No Lunch

All lunches include milk (Feb. 22-26)

Mon., Feb. 22 – Pizza boat, carrots, pineapple

Tues., Feb. 23 – Chicken noodle soup, turkey & cheese sandwich, goldfish, peaches

Wed., Feb. 24 – Chicken strips, mashed potatoes & gravy, peas

Thurs., Feb. 25 – Fish sticks, french fries, corn, fruit cocktail

Fri., Feb. 26 – Early dismissal - No lunch

Kindergarten Registration Night 2021-2022

Our 2021-22 class is almost FULL!

Registration for new Kinder-Kids will be held by appointment only on Wednesday, February 24 from 3:30 – 7:00.

If you are NOT on our current class roster and are in need of an appointment, please contact the school office at [309-367-2528](tel:309-367-2528). Spaces for next year are greatly limited and we are very close to capacity. Remaining spots will be filled as calls are received. A wait list will be formed after all spots are full.

The link to the Sign Up Genius for Registration Night will be made available to all families on the roster the week of February 15.

If you are a current St. Mary's Family or a current student moving from Miss Meghan's PreK to St. Mary's Kindergarten, you should have received an email concerning registration. If you are planning to send your child to St. Mary's Kindergarten and did not receive that email, please contact the school immediately to secure your spot.

Bags for Bucks

Orders will be taken now through Tuesday, February 16th. There will also be an opportunity to order this product on-line. Product will arrive 4 to 6 weeks from the end of sale ... just in time for indoor and outdoor Spring cleaning! Thanks in advance for your support!

St. Valentine's classroom party's reminder:

Valentine parties are always an exciting time for our school children at St. Mary's School. With this year's COVID 19 restrictions and our school attempt to keep as much normalcy to our day as possible, our student council has selected a *non-uniform theme* of red or pink shirts, jeans, or any STM logo shirt with jeans. Here are couple of reminders for Friday, February 12, 2021:

- Grades K-8 students will have a non-uniform day following the guidelines of our casual dress code. Our student council has selected the *non-uniform theme* red or pink shirts, jeans, or any STM logo shirt with jeans.
- All classroom party treats should be commercially prepared and individually packaged.
- Teachers (or parents can send to school) can put together a few Valentine specific games or activities keeping social distancing a priority.
- Classroom teachers may select a starting time for their parties/activities, however no party may start before 10:00am.
- No parents/guardians will be allowed in the classrooms or hallways.
- K-8 School will dismiss at 11:30am. Pre-K. @ 3:00 pm.
- Pre-K families should check *Kinderlime* for messages and guidance from Ms. Pantages, for Pre-K Valentine activities.
- If weather is an issue, parties will be rescheduled for Friday, February 19th.
- Thank you for your cooperation in helping us keep our children safe in these uncertain times.

Old Settlers Jobs

This week we will talk about the job that puts you in the corner and has a variety of tasks all rolled up into one fun and exciting job. We offer many eating options for our guests, and some of those are hot dogs, chili dogs, BBQ sandwiches, nachos, cheese cups, chili cups, chili fries, cheese fries and well you get the idea there are a lot of combinations. In 2017 we sold over 1100 of those combinations and they play a key part in our menu. Yes not the big money maker like Steakburgers, however for a family a hot dog added to the order can mean the world to that younger child or sometimes we just get a late evening gathering of teenagers who share some chili cheese fries, put the phones down and bond on a wonderful summer night under the glow of carnival lights.

Ok, enough about the critical role this position plays in the food tent, lets discuss what actually is required to be a chef in the corner of the food tent. First, there is a lot of different requests all going on at once, so the ability to multi task is critical, you will get request for many varieties of food and we make it all to order. Hot dogs are kept in a larger pot cooking in some delightful steam, right behind this wonderful steam bath is a large crockpot/Nesco that keeps premade BBQ warm and ready to serve. Next to the BBQ is "Nacho-Macho" the cheese dispenser, where a large industrial cheese can is ready to be pumped out and served in yellow golden goodness on top of nacho chips, hot dogs, fries and whatever else a customer may want. Finally, we also keep a smaller crockpot of chili going as well next to the hot dog steaming apparatus, where you could have the joy of ladling chili over fries, dogs or into a very nice plastic cup. Over the course of a shift you will find yourself prepping hot dogs, grabbing some nacho chips into a container and adding cheese, placing BBQ on a bun and all kinds of other possibilities.

The corner of the tent is roomy but not too roomy, so this is a one person role during the slow times and two people max during busy times. If you like variety and the challenge of multi-tasking this chef role may be a great choice for you during Old Settler's days on June 22-26. Please save the dates, as a reminder there are over 300 spots to fill to make the food tent a success, and this is an option for approximately 20 of those slots. Finally, for all the statistics fans out there, we sell a chili dog for every 1.935 hot dogs.

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Please let us know in the information below if your family will be returning to St. Mary's School in the fall of 2021. If you are a family at St. Mary's School now, you will have a spot, but only if you fill out this form. If you do not return this form, we cannot guarantee that your spot will be held for next school year.

Family Name _____

____ Yes we are returning

- Name and grade attending in fall

____ No we are not returning

- Reason (Confidential) _____

Please return this form to KoehlerR@stmfalcons.com or harperj@stmfalcons.com
by Feb. 12, 2021.

Thank you.