

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

November 15th, 2023

Our Teacher(s) of the month

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Each month, we honor teachers/staff that demonstrate their commitment and love for St. Leonard School. We are please to announce our teachers for December. They earn the honor of a special parking space and a certificate.

Our December Teachers of the Month are:

Joann Dziennik - K4/K5 classroom aide

Mrs. Dziennik has made a tremendous impact on our K4/K5 students. She is always excited to be here and her love for the students shows in all of her actions. She is always willing to do more and is an inspiration to us all.

Sheryl Johnson - 3K classroom teacher

Mrs. Johnson is friendly and enthusiastic. Her ability to connect with our youngest students is admirable and inspiring. She knows just what to do to get her little students excited to become learners. She serves as a leader not only in her classroom but in our school.

Mary Jo Wales - PE teacher

We are so lucky to have Mrs. Wales as part of our staff. She has invigorated the PE program and is persistent in teaching our students to strive to always give the best they can.

Becky Moulton - Reading Intervention

Mrs. Moulton's impact on our students can be seen from 1st grade to 8th grade. She works every day to help our students bring out the reader inside each one of them. She consistently advances our students to higher levels while meeting them where they are at.

I'm so blessed

The first graders came by my office today to say "Happy Catholic School Principal Day". I didn't even know that was a thing, but they certainly made my day.



Volunteers needed!

Do you have a 7th or 8th grader that would like to help our parish? On Monday, December 4th, the parish is hosting a "New Family" dinner and need 2 or 3 students to help with serving, clearing plates and cleaning up. They could arrive at 5:45 please and plan to stay until 7:00pm.

Click [HERE](#) to sign up to help.

Reminder about Veteran's Program

We invite everyone to our Veteran's program after mass! We hope to see you there.

News from Student Council

Middle School Dance

December 15th, our Student Council will be holding our first dance of the school year. Grades 5-8 are invited. The dance begins at 7pm until 9pm. Our theme for the dance is Christmas in Hawaii

Fire up those ovens. It's Cookie Walk time!

St. Leonard 10th annual Cookie Walk

This is a major fundraising event for our school. We typically raise \$4000-\$5000!! In order for us to make our goal, we need your help!



All families are asked to bake 7 dozen cookies. The full description of this fundraiser is coming home in Friday folders tomorrow. Please watch for it.

Look what our 8th and 2nd graders are doing!

Our students are learning the importance of service to others. The 8th and 2nd graders spent time cleaning the bike path behind school. Check out the video they made. You can click [HERE](#) to view it. Way to go students!

12th Annual Turkey Trot



Have you registered yet?

Register online here:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/WI/Muskego/StLeonardTurkeyTrot>

Paper registration forms are in the parish office or in the kiosk in the gathering space.

You can register in-person after all Masses this weekend at the promotional table.

"Packet" pick-up will be Sunday, Nov. 19, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. in the parking lot/front of church (it's a drive-through pick-up).

Net proceeds will benefit [Capuchin Community Services](#).

Snacks - What makes them healthy?

There is often a debate in schools about what a healthy snack looks like. Is it fruit snacks that are actually loaded with sugar? Is it granola bars that have chocolate all over them?

When we think about snacks for our students, it is important to remember that our kids work hard all day and their brains and bodies need nourishment to keep them going, to keep them active, and to keep them focused.

St. Leonard School has a Wellness policy in place (page 52 in the Parent/Student handbook). Part of our Wellness policy is to educate our students on nutrition and healthy eating habits. **"St. Leonard School shall provide nutrition education that helps students develop lifelong healthy eating behaviors."**

We encourage all of our students to eat snacks that are good for their bodies. Fruits and vegetables would be at the top of the list. We strongly discourage snacks that contain a lot of sugar or salt. This would include things like fruit snacks and/or granola bars, but also most chips. We ask for your help in discerning the right snack for your child.

Pastries with the Principal

Tomorrow, Friday November 17th, is the first Pastries with the Principal day. This will take place in the gathering space at church following the Veteran's program, which follows Mass.

Come for some pastry and stay for conversation. Hope to see you there.

Drama Club Reminder

Just a reminder to all Drama Club parents. There is NO Drama Club being held on Tuesday, November 21st.

Teacher Wish lists

Our Teacher Wish Lists still have items on them. Please check out the lists and help them stock their rooms.



Reminder about Uniforms and Dress code

As winter approaches and the students' clothing options change from shorts to pants, I need to take a moment to remind everyone about our dress code/uniform policy. We are noticing some students who are consistently "forgetting" our uniform policy with untucked shirts, "fun" printed socks, and black jeans instead of black khaki style pants.

Because of these issues, I've copied the dress code/uniform policy right out of the handbook. I've bolded the statements that we are seeing as the biggest infractions. Please take a moment to look this over and have conversations with your child(ren).

Thank you

DRESS CODE AND UNIFORM POLICY

A tradition has been established at St. Leonard School of having a dress code in grades K5-8. The Dress Code is a sign of belonging to St. Leonard and is an expression of pride in one's appearance as well as in our school community. Cooperation in following the policy encourages responsibility and self-discipline on the part of the students. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the parent to assist their child in learning and adhering to this policy. The principal will maintain the final authority to enforce these rules.

K3 & K4 DRESS CODE:

K3 & K4 students must wear comfortable, washable clothing. Although they aren't required to wear specific clothing, the following items are **not** allowed:

- **No open-toed, light-up shoes, Crocs, or fashion boots (except for outdoors)**
- No bare shoulders
- Shorts and Capris are allowed in the Fall from the first day of school until October 31st, and then in the Spring from April 1st until the last day of school.

UNIFORM POLICY FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8TH GRADE

Uniforms must be worn on the school grounds at all times unless:

- The Principal has announced a dress-up or dress-down day.
- A scout uniform is worn for an after-school meeting.
- The Principal approves the wearing of special clothing such as 8th grade sweatshirts, tournament clothing, or other special day

Uniform items can be purchased at The Children's Place, Kohl's, Land's End, Old Navy, Target, or Primary.com. St. Leonard School has a uniform exchange available for parents.

GIRLS

Belair Plaid-Jumper, Skirt, Skort (* all knee length)

Plain Jumper, Skirt/Skort, Polo Shirt Dress or Uniform Dress

- Solid Navy, Khaki, Red and Powder Blue

Leggings

- **Leggings are not considered Uniform Pants and may only be worn under skirts/jumpers/dresses**
- Navy, Red, White, Black

ALL

Pants/Capris/Shorts

- Navy, Khaki, Black
- Tailored: Twill, Corduroy, Cotton-Polyester Blend
- Shorts may be worn underneath skirts/dresses as long as they are not visible
- Shorts must be no shorter than 2" above the knee

- **No Carpenter, Cargo, Jeans, Sweatpants, Stretch or Yoga (except under dresses), Sport Shorts, Oversized or Tight Fitting, Pajama pants, or pants with slits or rips are allowed**
- Shorts and Capris are allowed in the Fall from the first day of school until October 31st, and then in the Spring from April 1st until the last day of school. In the event of unusually warm

weather, the Principal may permit the wearing of shorts on such days. Shorts may be worn in church on Mass days.

Shirts/Blouses

- Solid White, Red, Navy, Powder Blue
 - Small (½") insignia on collar or breast pocket allowed
- Cotton, Polyester, Knit
- Collared: Rounded or Pointed
 - Turtlenecks allowed
- Long or Short Sleeved
- **Shirts MUST be tucked in at all times. Hoodies are not allowed EXCEPT for 8th grade official class hoodies.**

Sweaters/Vests

- Solid Color-Navy, Black, Red, White
- Knit or Fleece (Fleece available with SL logo through school)
- Pullover, Cardigan, button or zipper front
 - Shirt/Blouse must be worn underneath
- No hooded or oversized

Sweatshirts

- ONLY official St. Leonard with logo
- Navy, Red, Black
- **No hooded, oversized, or athletic sweatshirts**

Footwear

- **Solid Color Socks/Knee-highs/Tights**
- White, Navy, Black.
- Non-slip, non-marking shoes
- **No sandals, open-toed, shoes with heels, Crocs, or fashion boots may be worn**

Update on Nate Miller

A message from Dayna

Nate has made significant progress. He made it his mission to get out of bed and start walking around. He even did stairs! Since he's made so much progress, the doctors think he can come home this week. We also want everyone to know how grateful we truly are for the prayers, meals and well-wishes. I know he and I would not have gotten through this without our wonderful St. Leonard's family. Prayer is such a powerful thing and I truly believe it made a significant difference in his outcome.

Upcoming Events

~Friday November 17th, Mass planned by Student Council with a Veteran's program to follow.

~Tuesday November 21st, Mass planned by K4 & 4th grade

~Wednesday November 22nd through Monday November 27th, **no school**



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