

St. Gregory the Great Parish School Newsletter

September 28, 2016

Called to Serve

Greetings Parents and Families of St. Greg's,

We are loving the beautiful weather this week. It makes learning so much easier in a cooler classroom! We hope it is here to stay at least for a while. It is so nice to see the students in full learning mode as I walk around the building. The practices and procedures have become routine and our scholars are well on their way to meeting those learning targets.



Principal Chat

Thank you to all who attended Coffee with the Principal today. I appreciate the opportunity to converse with parents and gather feedback. It is my intention to offer additional opportunities throughout the year at different times of the day to accommodate work schedules. If you missed this one, and would like copies of the handouts, please stop in or call the school office and we will send them home with your child. I will also have the same handouts available at the Home and School Parent Meeting on October 19th at 6pm.

Attendance Procedures

We have been experiencing an increase in student tardiness over the past week. The Wisconsin Compulsory Attendance Law requires parents or guardians of children between the ages of six and eighteen to have their child enrolled in and attend full periods and hours on the days that school is in session. A student who has been absent or tardy from school without an acceptable excuse for part or all of 5 or more days is considered a habitual truant under the state law. Just to clarify our policy at St. Greg's, our school day begins promptly at 8:00am. The students are expected to be in their desks at this time to be considered present. Students are led into the school at 7:55. Students who arrive at school or enter the building after 8:00am are directed to the school office for a tardy slip.

Open Home and School Volunteer Positions

Some of you caught on to our strategic volunteer recruitment booth at Monday's dismissal. We were handing out information regarding the open positions and volunteer opportunities. I think it may have been the candy that lured you in, but I hope you will consider helping out at our school events. The Boo Bash, Spaghetti Dinner, Book fair, fundraising events, and community-building events are only possible with the help from volunteers. Please take a look at the flyer and sign up for anything you can. Every little bit of help counts!!!

MAP Testing

Our students in grades 1-8 have been taking the fall MAP Tests for Reading and Math. We use the data from these tests to track student achievement and inform our instruction to better meet the learning needs of our students. The fall testing session should be complete in the next couple weeks. Results will be shared at our fall conferences.

Kind Regards,
Amy Schlegel
Principal

Bookends' Families

The first Bookends' bill of the school year (covering August 29-September 30) will be sent home the week of October 3rd. Watch your mailboxes!

Parent/Student Volunteer Opportunity

The Christian Women of St. Gregory's Parish are busy planning for our Parish Rummage Sale which is coming up on October 13, 14, and 15, 2016.

We ask for your help in three ways.

- 1) Bring in things you no longer need/use to the cafeteria on October 13.
- 2) Come and buy on October 14 between 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM and on Saturday between 9:00 AM and Noon.
- 3) Volunteer to work with us.

Parents, students and ALL willing hands are needed to help set-up and sort items on Thursday. We especially need help in the morning. We also need help to pack up at noon on Saturday. The St. Vincent dePaul Society will pick up these items on Monday, October 16, 2016.

If you can help or have questions please call Lillian Wiegel at 414-282-3617. Many Thanks for all your help and prayers.

Attachments:

[October Calendar](#)

[October Breakfast Menu](#)

[October Lunch Menu](#)

[Home and School Fall Newsletter](#)

[Home and School Volunteer Form](#)

Mark Your Calendars

October 13-14

No Classes - Archdiocesan Teachers Convention

October 15

Soles for Catholic Education Walk - Mount Mary University (sign-up [NOW!](#))

October 18th

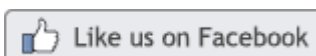
Picture Retake & Group Picture Day - School groups that will be taken on this day will be Schola, Youth Choir, Cadets, Servers, SKY Team, and Student Service Leadership Council.

October 19

Home and School Parent Meeting 6pm (Tenpenny Hall)

October 28

*No Classes - Teacher In-Service
Boo Bash 6-8pm (Tenpenny Hall) [flyer](#)*



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