

The Bulldog Barks
March 10, 2017

Principal – Mr. Tush
Snow Biz Musical

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Our school musical is this coming Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Please read the St. Mary's musical section of this Bulldog for details.

Uniforms

Just a reminder...please make sure your child(ren) are adhering the defined uniform policy in the Student/Parent Handbook. Students should wear a solid navy or white shirt (tucked in) and tan or navy slacks. The only acceptable sweatshirts that should be worn in school are solid navy, solid white or solid tan. Sweatshirts may have the St. Mary's logo (on the front only). If your child does not wear a uniform shirt under their sweatshirt, they must keep it on during class. The only exception to this rule, is for the 8th grade class. The 8th grade class may wear the class sweatshirts that were purchased at the beginning of the school year.

Missionary Childhood Association Lenten boxes

Please help make a difference in a very poor child's life by saving in your mission box. We will return these to school after Lent. The money is then sent to Sr. Loretto at the Archdiocese Mission Office to support the Missionary Childhood Association.

Safe and Sacred

All volunteers must take the Safe and Sacred training; this includes anyone interested in going on class field trips and the 8th grade class trip. Please go to safeandsacred-archindy.org to register and attend the required class.

PTO – Fish Fry's

The next Fish Fry will be on Friday, March 17th from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. (serving times). If you are working and can come a little early, that would be great. We also ask that everyone stay until at least 8 p.m., or until the Activity Center is cleaned up for the night. Many hands, make the job easier!

There are many spots open for the other fish fry dates, so please go online and sign up. Here is the link:

<http://signup.com/go/pPjx5E>

Families responsible for desserts for this March 17th are:

Kindergarten, 4th, 5th and 7th grades

- Mark your dishes so they can get back to you
- Label your dish so we can share what it is
- Send 24 servings per student
- Pies and specialty cakes are requested often :)

If you have ANY questions, please call, text, or email me [859-240-9390](tel:859-240-9390).

Thanks for volunteering,
Michelle Ryan

Kindergarten – Mrs. Denningamy.denning@mystmarys.com

In Phonics this week we will be working with a new digraph- sh- keyword- shark. We will also work with rhyming words and long vowels. We'll add are, to our list of "pop-up" words, and we'll get reader #12, "Will She Tell?".

In math we will be learning number words, one- ten. The children will be bringing home self-checking flashcards. Help at home, as always, is appreciated. We will also be using rulers to measure to the nearest inch. Report cards will be coming home on Thursday, March 16. Please sign and return them to school. Have a wonderful 2 weeks off for Spring Break!

Grade 1 – Mrs. Hurstmandy.hurst@mystmarys.com

In phonics we will be reading and spelling words with **digraph ey** (as in key) and **digraph ph** (as in phone). We will also be learning the soft sound for the **letter g** (as in giraffe).

Spelling test #19 will be on Friday, March 17th! Remember, spelling lists are always sent home the Fridays before the test in case you have extra time to study on Saturdays or Sundays!

In Math we are continuing to use our rulers to measure and draw lines using inches. We also learned that 12 inches equal one foot!

Grade 2 – Mrs. Groveannmarie.grove@mystmarys.com

Mrs. Miller, our visiting scientist, taught us again on Thursday. We are learning more about trees. We have also started counting quarters with our coins. Please keep practicing at home. Most of us still can't correctly add dimes, nickels and pennies! We were able to watch a rehearsal, in the gym, of Snow Biz, the musical that the older students are performing Wednesday at the high school. It was very impressive!

Grade 3 – Mrs. Rectorkim.rector@mystmarys.com

The third graders will take the IREAD test on Tuesday. If they are absent due to illness, we have until Friday to complete the test. Otherwise, we should be able to finish it on one day. Please make sure they get a good night's sleep and breakfast. They will also need number 2 pencils. We should get the results in April.

The third quarter ends today. Report cards will be sent home on Thursday, please sign and return them Friday if possible. We can meet after Spring Break if you have any questions or concerns. We will be working hard to get ready for the fourth grade in the last quarter.

Our class will also be going on a field trip on Monday, April 17. We will attend Ag Day at the Lawrenceburg Fairgrounds. Mrs. Probst is taking the students in the Lollipops bus, but we need chaperones to meet us there. I will send a permission slip after Spring Break, but I wanted to let you know now so you can check your calendar. There is no limit to how many chaperones we can take, so as long as you have completed the Safe and Sacred training, you can go.

Grade 4 – Mrs. Meyeramanda.meyer@mystmarys.com

Students will be finishing up their *Stone Fox* books this week. The book test will be Friday, March 17. I think many will be surprised by the ending. The main character, Little Willy, participates in a dog sled race in Wyoming to win money to pay for his grandfather's overdue taxes. Reading this book matches perfectly with the real Iditarod races taking place right now in Alaska.

We will continue our study of different types of figurative language. In grammar we will begin our unit on adjectives, adverbs, and prepositions.

Report cards go home Thursday! Have a great Spring Break! See you in April!

Grade 5 – Mrs. Baker**leslie.baker@mystmarys.com**

Fifth graders will finish our novel, *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, this week. The project for this book will be introduced this week too. Look for information in your child's VIP folder regarding the project. In math we will be working on dividing fractions. After dividing fractions, we will be reviewing for our fraction test. Students have plenty of practice problems in their VIP folders to help them.

Our musical is this week! Fifth graders have been working very hard, keep practicing those songs! All students should have their costumes for practice on Monday. Please read the musical section in the Bulldog. Have a great week!

Grade 6 – Mrs. Rice**suzy.rice@mystmarys.com**

Pi Day is Tuesday! 6th, 7th, & 8th graders will be reciting as many digits of pi as they can. They may also make a pi day treat, a "pi"ku, or any "pi" creation to share in class!

The musical is Wednesday at 7:00 at SDHS Auditorium. The students are practicing at the high school on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoon. They are to be picked up at 3:15 p.m. Pictures are on Tuesday. The show is really coming together! This is an experience they will remember for a long time. They have worked together and done more than they ever thought they could. Don't miss the show! Thank you Mrs. Rehtin!

The 8th graders have the opportunity to show how many element symbols they can remember on Friday, March 17.

Grade 7 – Mr. Johnson**brady.johnson@mystmarys.com**

6th Grade - Next week we are discussing the landforms and climate of South America. We will discuss the Andes Mountains and the effect that they have on the region. The Amazon Rain Forest will also be a central focus of class discussions.

7th Grade - The East Asian nations such as China, Japan, Mongolia, and the Korea's are what we are studying now. We are discussing the Gobi Desert, the North China Plain, and other landscape features.

8th Grade - Starting Monday the Louisiana Purchase and the resulting expedition is what we will focus on before spring break.

Grade 8 – Mrs. Rose**bettina.rose@mystmarys.com**

Junior high students began new class novels this week. The sixth graders are reading *Fever 1793* (about the yellow fever outbreak), the seventh graders are reading *The Outsiders* (about family, love and loss), and the eighth graders are reading *Night* (about the holocaust). All three novels tackle some pretty significant topics, so if you have anything to share....please do! I saw on Yahoo News this week a new discussion from a holocaust survivor. We love hearing stories in class that add to our discussions, and these type of current events only add to the depth of knowledge students love to ponder.

St. Mary's Musical – Snow Biz (Grades 5 – 8)

Sunday is “hang the set day” at South Dearborn High School Auditorium. We will be working from 12:00 until 5p.m. Any time that you have to help, would be very much appreciated.

Picture envelopes are due ASAP. You can send in picture envelopes as late as Tuesday, March 14, 2017. As a reminder, there will be no video made of this production; so we will not be selling DVDs after the event due to copyright laws.

We will have rehearsals at the South Dearborn High School Auditorium on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – until 3:15 p.m. Teachers and staff will be using the information you provided on the green sheets, as to how your child(ren) will be getting home.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE make sure all chorus outfits (plain white long sleeved top and plain black pants, no stripes, no embellishments, etc.), costumes, accessories and any other items for the musical are here at school. All items should be in a bag with the students name on it. We will not be sending items home again until after the musical.

The students are doing a great job, and it is going to be a great show. Invite your family, friends and neighbors to the show on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7 p.m. in the South Dearborn Auditorium. Admission will be taken at the door; \$5/adult, \$1/children 12 and under.

Clean up will start immediately following the program.

See you at the SNOW/SHOW!
Linda C. Rechten

Cafeteria and Playground hours:

Cafe: First lunch is served at 11 a.m., so arrive 10 – 15 minutes early. Serve three lunch periods and help clean up kitchen, wash dishes, etc. You should be finished around 12:45 p.m.

Playground: Arrive around 11:15 a.m. and help teacher supervise students on playground, Activity Center or at the park (depending on weather). You should be finished around 12:30 p.m.

Cafeteria Volunteers:

03/13 – Barb Langdon, 03/14 – Marge Beinkemper, 03/15 – Marge Waldon, 03/16 – Barb Maness, 03/17 – Patty Kent

Playground Volunteers:

03/13 – Bernadine/Carolyn, 03/14 – Meghan Oatman, 03/15 – Jenn Ruter, 03/16 – Barb Langdon, 03/17 – Monica Ramsey

Lunch Menu: \$14.00 per ticket

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13	14	15	16	17
3-Way Tossed Salad Green Beans Crackers Fruit Milk	Chicken Nuggets Bread Corn Green Beans Fruit Milk	Hamburger French Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Corn Dog Corn Carrots Fruit Milk	Cheese Pizza Veggie Sticks Carrots Fruit Milk

Calendar of Events:

03/15	“Snow Biz” – student musical at 7 p.m. at SDHS
03/17	Fish Fry (2 of 5)
03/20 – 03-24	Provisional Spring Break (possible snow make up days)
03/24	Fish Fry (3 of 5)
03/27 – 03/31	Spring Break
03/31	Fish Fry (4 of 5)
04/07	Riverwatch – Tanner’s Creek (Grades 4-8)
04/08	First Communion Retreat and practice
04/14	Fish Fry (5 of 5)
04/22	Celebrate St. Mary’s at Dearborn Country Club
05/01 – 05/05	Teacher Appreciation Week
05/07	First Communion
05/13	8th Grade Confirmation
05/15-05/16	CYO Camp (6th & 7th grades)