

## **The Bulldog Barks** **April 28, 2017**

### **Principal – Mr. Tush**

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We have a new and improved school website. It is at the same address: [www.mystmarys.com](http://www.mystmarys.com). Take a few minutes to look at the site and become familiar with all the information that is available.

We have added additional payment options. You can pay for lunch tickets, registration fees, book fees, and tuition payments online. Tuition payments can be set up for a one-time payment or for reoccurring payments.

Please utilize this option for book fees that are due July 1, 2017. Just go to [www.mystmarys.com](http://www.mystmarys.com), select the “School” tab, then select “Tuition and School Payments”. You will be asked to enter general information and then select the “Proceed to Payment” button at the bottom of the page. On the next page you will be asked to select which type of payment you are making: Tuition, Book/Registration Fees, Lunch Tickets or Milk Money.

After your payment is processed you will receive a payment confirmation that your payment was received to the email address you provided on the online form.

Please notify the school office if you notice any inaccuracies or wrong information on the new site!

### **Lunch Tickets:**

- 2016/2017 school year = \$14.00/each
- 2017/2018 school year = \$14.50/each

### **Missionary Childhood Association Lenten boxes**

Please return your Lenten boxes to school. We will be sending the money next week 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](http://safeandsacred-archindy.org) to register and attend the required class.

### **Teacher Appreciation – Michelle Ryan**

The last PTO project of the school year is Teacher Appreciation, which is May 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>. If you or your student would like to do something special for your teacher, this is a great week to do something nice and show your appreciation. I had a committee sign up to help with this at the Open House in the beginning of the school year. The committee is working on the schedule for that week. If we need any help we will let you know.

### **2017/2018 PTO Meeting/Open Classrooms**

This Open House will be on Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, in the Activity Center

- \*5:30 Come early to sign up for a PTO Committee, Farmer's Fair Food Booth, and buy lunch tickets.
- \*6:00 Meeting
- \*6:30 Classrooms open to drop off supplies and meet your teacher

PTO is always looking for more people to help organize and run our fundraisers. Please consider volunteering for our PTO Board, or chairing an event such as Farmer's Fair Booth, Catholic Schools Week, or Teacher Appreciation Week.

Thanks for volunteering,  
Michelle Ryan

**Kindergarten – Mrs. Denning****[amy.denning@mystmarys.com](mailto:amy.denning@mystmarys.com)**

In Phonics this week, we will be working with combinations **ar, or, er**- keywords- star, horse, butter. (A combination is two letters that come together and make an unexpected sound.) We code them with an arc under the combination. We will also work with compound words.

In math we will review cylinders and spheres and work with cones, (one end a circle, one end a point), count by 2's to 100, identify even and odd numbers to 20, draw pictures to go with story problems, and learn how to do a survey.

Thank you to Officer Josh Cady, and the Dillsboro Police Department, for the demonstration with the police dogs. We all enjoyed watching how the dogs work.

Please remember to return your reservation sheets for our end of the year celebration. They are due Tuesday, May 2.

Midterm letters need to be signed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Have a great week!

**Grade 1 – Mrs. Hurst****[mandy.hurst@mystmarys.com](mailto:mandy.hurst@mystmarys.com)**

The 1<sup>st</sup> graders will be doing the readings during Mass on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>! Earlier this week, each 1<sup>st</sup> grader brought home a reading part for Mass. Please help your child practice his/her part at home.

In Phonics we will be learning that prefixes come before root words, and we will be reading and spelling words containing prefixes –un-, pre-, and dis-.

In Math we are identifying and drawing polygons and subtracting two-digit numbers (without regrouping).

**Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove****[annmarie.grove@mystmarys.com](mailto:annmarie.grove@mystmarys.com)**

Thank you to Officer Josh Cady and Officer Jonathan Kolb. They brought their K-9 dogs to the Activity Center to demonstrate all the ways K-9s help the police. Everyone loved the demonstration.

We have all used the same story starter in our journal to compose a story. Mrs. Ryan is having us type our journal entry and continue our story in computer class. We will continue the same story for the next few weeks in computer class. It will be interesting to see how different each will be.

We will meet our South Dearborn Student Government pen pals on May 12. They will come to our classroom for the first hour in the morning.

**Grade 3 – Mrs. Rector****[kim.rector@mystmarys.com](mailto:kim.rector@mystmarys.com)**

We enjoyed two terrific presentations at school this week. Everyone was interested in learning more from Officer Cady and Officer Kolb about their K-9 programs on Tuesday. On Wednesday the fourth graders joined us to learn about economics with Mrs. Parcell from the Purdue Extension Office in a program called “Captain Cash”. She will be back for three more Wednesday afternoons to teach us more.

Please sign and return the midterm as soon as possible. If you would like to meet or have any questions as we head into the final weeks of the school year, please let me know. Have a terrific week!

**Grade 4 – Mrs. Meyer****[amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com](mailto:amanda.meyer@mystmarys.com)**

Our electricity unit has come to an end in science. Students really enjoyed this chapter and loved making the different circuits. The electricity science test will be Wednesday, May 3. Students will have a study guide plus their science notebook full of notes, that we have completed in class, to use to study.

Last Thursday students began a novel for reading class. They will not be reading from the textbook. There are three different groups, each reading a different book- *Among the Hidden*, *The Secret School*, or *Dear Mr. Henshaw*. They will be reading, discussing, and working with this group the last four weeks!

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

It's hard to believe we are only weeks away from the end of the school year! It's important to stay focused, turn our work in on time, and do our best. Reading 20 minutes each night and studying for upcoming tests will really help!

Midterms went home Thursday; please sign and return as soon as possible. You can check your child's VIP folder to see their progress for AR. Have a great week!

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

One copy of the midterm should be signed and returned ASAP. CYO payment is due by Friday, May 5.

Bowling permission slips are due by Thursday, May 18.

CYO camp is Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Monday morning 6th and 7th graders need to be at school by 8:05 a.m. and dressed for camp. Be sure to have your sleeping bag, pillow, change of clothes, towel, and toiletries. Turn in any medicine to Mrs. Rice. Please mark it clearly with the student's name and proper dosage and times. We return around 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Students need to be picked up by school dismissal time.

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

6th Grade - In class we have been learning about the roles that the Greeks and Romans have played on our society. These two groups have laid the foundation for our society.

7th Grade - We have started a digital notebook using power-point to gather information on the countries found in Southeast Asia. We will wrap up this unit next week and then move toward Australia and New Zealand to finish the year.

8th Grade - This week we have analyzed the Missouri Compromise and the Compromise of 1850 and how those plans tried to prevent the Civil War.

I also want to thank the parents who allowed their students to participate in the Academic Team competition. I appreciated having many of you at our events this past week.

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

This week classes will be finishing up their novels and testing. Additionally, we will watch movies that correspond to the class age group and do a media comparison. Have you ever read a book and then watched the movie only to be frustrated that they are different? This is the revelation that is coming to light in English classes, and I LOVE the lively discussions!

**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:**

05/01 – Pat Scharf, 05/02 – Marge Beinkemper, 05/03 – Marge Waldon, 05/04 – Barb Maness, 05/05 – Patty Kent, 05/08 – Barb Langdon, **05/09 – HELP NEEDED**, 05/10 – Marge Waldon, 05/11 – Barb Maness, 05/12 – Patty Kent, 05/15 – Pat Scharf, 05/16 – Marge Beinkemper, 05/17 – Marge Waldon, 05/18 – Barb Maness, 05/19 – Patty Kent, 05/22 – Barb Langdon, **05/23 – HELP NEEDED**, 05/24 – Marge Waldon, 05/25 – Barb Maness

**Playground Volunteers:**

05/01 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 05/02 – Meghan Oatman, 05/03 – Jenn Ruter, 05/04 – HELP NEEDED, 05/05 – Monica Ramsey, 05/08 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 05/09 – Meghan Oatman, 05/10 – Jenn Ruter, 05/11 – HELP NEEDED, 05/12 – Monica Ramsey, 05/15 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 05/16 – Meghan Oatman, 05/17 – Jenn Ruter, 05/18 – HELP NEEDED, 05/19 – Monica Ramsey, 05/22 – Carolyn/Bernadine, 05/23 – Meghan Oatman, 05/24 – Jenn Ruter, 05/25 – HELP NEEDED

**Please contact the school office at 812-926-1558, if you are available to work one of the OPEN positions.**

**Lunch Menu: \$14.00 per ticket**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
1	2	3	4	5
Spaghetti Lasagna Green Beans Tossed Salad Bread Stick Fruit Milk	Petite Chicken Strips Corn Green Beans Bread Fruit Milk	Hamburger French Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Taco (Hard or Soft) Corn Refried Beans Chips and Salsa Fruit Milk	Salisbury Steak Bread Mashed Potatoes Peas Fruit Milk

# Calendar of Events:

- 05/01 – 05/05 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 05/07 First Communion Mass at 11 a.m.
- 05/08 – 05/12 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip
- 05/13 8th Grade Confirmation at St. Theresa Benedicta of the Cross (Bright) at 11 a.m.
- 05/15-05/16 CYO Camp (6th & 7th grades)
- 05/24 Kindergarten End of Year Celebration at 1 p.m.
- 05/24 8th Grade Graduation at 6 p.m.
- 05/25 Last Student Mass for the 2016/2017 school year – 8:30 a.m.
- 05/25 End of Year Ceremony – 1 p.m.
- 05/25 Last Day of School!