



ST. MARY ELEMENTARY WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE September 7, 2016

IMPORTANT DATES



SMCS EMAIL NEWSLETTER



SMCS CALENDAR PAGE

Fri 9/9	8:10 Liturgy 3 rd gr mass
Tues 9/9	SMCS Football night
Sat 9/10	Virtus Training 9:00 – Noon
Mon 9/12	Health Screening for Pre-3 through 4 th gr
Mon 9/12	Pops meeting @ 1:30
Mon 9/12	MAP testing begins
Thur 9/15	SMCS Volleyball night
Fri 9/16	8:10 Liturgy 4 th gr mass
Thur 9/22	Picture retake day
Fri 9/23	No School (Staff development)
Sat 9/24	St. Baldrick's event
Fri 9/30	8:10 Liturgy 5 th gr mass
Fri 9/30	MAP testing ends
Sat 10/1	Connect Five event
Tue 10/4	SMCS Virtus training
Thur 10/6	Teacher Conferences
Fri 10/7	8:10 Liturgy 2 nd gr mass
Fri 10/7	Start of Magazine sale
Fri 10/7	Homecoming parade and game

School Prayer Cards

We believe in the power of prayer! Because we know that prayer can impact lives and families, each week we choose different families to pray for. This week we are praying for the Breitengross & Brenn families.

Food Service

SMCS Food Service Director Lynn Graves recently shared a [back-to-school message for school families](#). Please read this important letter for information about our food service program and the USDA's new prices for school lunches.

Weekly Newsletter

In order to meet the needs of our families busy schedules we have a new format for our newsletters, now called **Weekly Update**. All school information will be streamlined to a one-page format. Easy to open on your home computers or smart phones. Please note the two web links above for quick access to the SMCS website.

Health Screening

Menasha health will be here on Monday, September 12th for the dental and hearing screening. The dental screening for ages 3 - 4th grade and the hearing screening is for grades K - 3.

Picture Day

Pinnacle was here today to take pictures for the yearbook. Re-take pictures will be Thursday, Sept 22nd. Order forms will come home shortly with a proof of your child's photo. You can determine then if you want to order or have a re-take done.

School Directory

SMCS will print a family directory for the 2016-17 school year. Please consider promoting your business to other SMCS families while helping to defray the cost of this project by submitting your 2 x 3.5" business card or advertisement to the director of communications by September 9, 2016. Please send your check made payable to St. Mary Catholic Schools in the amount of \$25.00 to: SMCS Directory, 1050 Zephyr Drive, Neenah, WI 54956, or submit it to your school office.

Student Birthdays

During the month of your child's birthday they will be receiving an out of uniform pass to be used at any time during this school year. It's a small gift for each student K-5th grade. Preschool and Pre-K are already out of uniform.



St. Mary
Catholic Schools
— Grades P3-12 —

September 7, 2016

Dear 4th and 5th Grade Elementary Band Parents,

Welcome back to a new and exciting school year!

My name is Mr. Sawall and I will be your son or daughter's Elementary Band Director this year. I've been a Band director for St. Mary Catholic Schools the past 23 years. Mr. Bailey from St. Mary Catholic Middle School will be assisting me with Band lessons.

How/Where do we start building a band from scratch?

Students can rent instruments from Heid Music in Appleton as well as Island Music in Neenah.

School Program has a quality instrument available for your student

Student performs on an instrument from parent or sibling who no longer utilizes it.

***If student instrument needs repair, contact Mr. Bailey at mbailey@smcatholicschools.org. Any repairs will be gathered weekly and delivered by a Heid rep or your teachers. It saves you a trip and keeps our band running smoothly.**

Required book for band lessons, rehearsals and concerts

Please purchase "Standard of Excellence Book 1" for their particular instrument. They are available at Heid or Island Music. 5th grade students can stay with their book from 2015-16.

Mr. Sawall will be having lessons and Band on the following days at your particular school:

St. Mary: 4th grade A days/ 5th Grade F days.

St. Margaret Mary: 4th Grade B days/ 5th grade C days

St. Gabriel: 4th Grade D days/ 5th grade E days

Mr. Bailey will be having Woodwind lessons on the following days at your particular school:

St. Mary: 4th grade C days/ 5th grade D days.

St. Margaret Mary: 4th grade A days/ 5th grade E days.

St. Gabriel: 4th grade B days/5th grade F days

We are both looking forward to working with your future musicians!

Let's have a great year!

Mr. Sawall & Mr. Bailey

POPS MEETING AGENDA
Monday, September 12th, 2016 @ 1:30p

Opening Prayer

1. **Events & Other Items to Discuss**
 - a. Back to School Swimming Party Wrap-Up
 - b. Orientation Day Wrap-Up
 - c. October Teacher Treats (Conference Dinner 10/6 or 10/10)
 - d. Halloween Party (10/27)
 - e. Other?

2. **Report from Treasurer**

NEXT MEETING DATE: 10/10 @ 6:30p