

# ST. MARY ELEMENTARY WEEKLY UPDATE

DATE September 4, 2019



St. Mary Catholic Schools

Grades P3-5

St. Gabriel Elementary  
St. Margaret Mary Elementary  
St. Mary Elementary

## IMPORTANT DATES



SMCS EMAIL NEWSLETTER



SMCS CALENDAR PAGE

### September:

#### **Friday 6**

8:10 Mass (5)

#### **Monday 9**

MAP testing begins (K-5)

Enrichment classes begin

#### **Tuesday 10**

5<sup>th</sup> Grade caving field trip

Zephyr wear day

#### **Friday 13**

8:20 Mass (4)

Picture day (dress your best)

#### **Saturday 14**

Connect 5 (8am –noon high school)

#### **Tuesday 17**

Zephyr wear day

Health check day

#### **Wednesday 18**

POPS coffee hour 8:15am

#### **Friday 20**

8:10 Mass (3)

#### **Tuesday 24**

Zephyr wear day

#### **Wednesday 25**

Preschool/4K fire station field trip

#### **Friday 27**

8:10 Mass (2)

End MAP testing

#### **Monday 30**

NO School – professional development

### October:

#### **Tuesday 1**

Zephyr wear day

#### **Thursday 3**

Magazine sale begins

#### **Friday 4**

7:30 Pet blessing

8:10 Mass (1)

#### **Tuesday 8**

Zephyr wear day

Conferences

#### **Thursday 10**

Conferences

#### **Friday 11**

8:10 Mass (5)

### **SMCS News**

The SMCS news is emailed to you and can be found online at:

<https://smcatholicsschools.org/news/>

### **School Prayer Families**

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. Last week we prayed for the Arvizu, Gonzalez, and Jones families. This week we are praying for the Homan, Steinberg, and Roloff families.

### **5<sup>th</sup> graders hydroponic planting**

Our fifth graders had the opportunity to hear from representatives of Fork Farms about the hydroponic planter that is in our entryway. Students started the growing process today and the seeds are set to germinate in their classroom before they are transferred to the hydroponic planter. They are starting off with lettuce at this time. The first crop will go home with students, the second crop will be used at school, and the third crop will be given to the food pantry, which is located in our building. The crops take about 3 weeks to grow. Please note that in order to keep the crops safe for consumption, remind children to look with their eyes and refrain from touching. The crops will be harvested by the 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **Nut allergy**

As we continue to strive to keep all students / staff safe, we do have several students in our building that have various allergies. It is important for you to know that we do have a severe nut allergy in 4K this year. Thus, the 4K classroom is a nut free zone and follows certain protocols for student safety. In an effort to avoid cross contamination we have started hand washing in the lunchroom after students clear their trays. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping all students safe. If you have any questions, please call the office.

### **Allergy safety**

If you would like more information on prevention for food allergies, check out these 15 minute videos: Keeping Students Safe and Included, Recognizing & Responding to Anaphylaxis. They can be access here: <https://www.foodallergy.org/education-awareness/fare-training>

### **Box Tops Contest**

Our Fall Box Tops Contest is underway! The top 2 classes that collect and send in the most clipped box tops will each win a Movie & Popcorn Party! Fill up a collection sheet (10 box tops) or collect 50 box tops in a zip top bag and label with your teacher's name. Please do not send in expired Box Tops, and send Bonus Box Tops in separately (they will still count toward your class total). Contest ends October 23rd. Box Tops for Education is slowly phasing out the box tops that you clip. They are moving to a system where you can scan your receipt (no more clipping, yay!). If you



have the Box Tops App, it is very easy to do! Check it out!

### **Cub Scout Recruitment/Badger Bash**

St. Mary's Cub Scout Pack 3050 is having a Badger Bash on Thursday, September 5th at Badger Sports Park from 4p to 9p. Although this event is open to anyone, including those not interested in joining Cub Scouts, there will be adult leaders there to answer any of your scouting questions. Cub Scouts is open to all boys and girls in grades K - 5. See the flyer attached to the newsletter to learn more about the Badger Bash!

### **Uniform Exchange Table**

The Uniform Exchange Table is up and ready for shopping! Check it out to see if there is anything your child can use! And you can bring in any gently used (no holes or stains, please) uniform articles your child has outgrown. Any monetary donations will go into our POPS fund!

### **Dress Code**

Until October 1<sup>st</sup>, our dress code allows shorts, skorts, and sandals with a strap around the ankle. Also, note that Zephyrs sweatshirts are allowed to be worn at any time over regular dress code clothes. Please [click here](#) for dress code.

### **Classroom Highlights**

Welcome back everyone. So excited to have our halls filled with students again. Staff and students have been busy getting back into routines and settling into the school year. One thing to remind your children about are two concepts that you will see weaved into every aspect of our school days together:

- As adults at St. Mary Elementary School our job is to keep everyone safe. As students at St. Mary Elementary School it is our job to help keep everyone safe.
- “Not all of us can do great things. We can do small things with great love.” - Saint Theresa



**CUB SCOUT PACK 3050**

**BADGER BASH FUNDRAISER**

**SEPTEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 4PM - 9PM**

**Badger** 

**SPORTS PARK**

3600 E EVERGREEN DRIVE

APPLETON, WI 54915

(920) 830-6900

**2 HOUR UTOPIA - \$10** plus tax

**3 HOUR UTOPIA - \$12** plus tax

**UNLIMITED**

**GO KARTS, MINI GOLF, BATTING CAGES. LASER TAG, MINI BOWLING,  
INFLATABLES (AGES 2-10), ALL NON-TICKET ARCADE GAMES**

CALL AHEAD FOR LASER TAG RESERVATIONS\* PORTION OF CARD SALES GO BACK TO SCHOOL \* OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES WEATHER DEPENDENT

This Badger Bash is open to everyone, whether you are interested in learning more about Cub Scouts or not! Come have some fun with Pack 3050! If you can't make it and would like to learn more about joining Cub Scouts, call or text 920-215-1712.

**POPS MEETING AGENDA**  
Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 1:30p

*Opening Prayer*

1. **Events & Other Items to Discuss**
  - a. Fritsch Park Back to School Event Wrap-Up
  - b. Playground Perk-Up Wrap-Up
  - c. Orientation Day Wrap-Up
  - d. Teacher's Lounge
  - e. POPS Coffee Hour
  - f. October Teacher Treats (Conference Dinner 10/8 or 10/10)
  - g. Halloween Party Planning (10/23)
  - h. Other?
  
2. **Report from Treasurer**

**NEXT MEETING DATE: 10/14 @ 6:30p**