

The Bulldog Barks **March 12, 2021**

Mr. Dennis - Principal

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Spring Break is here! God bless all of your time with your family over this break. In this final quarter of the year, there will be many things going on.

At the end of the basketball season, we did not have the sports banquet. The county may be turning “blue” next week. That would really open us up on having events with restrictions. Therefore, we are going to have an “awards night” that will celebrate all of the kids who participated in any of our extracurricular activities. The date for this will be close to the end of the year. As soon as a date is established, I will send a message to everyone. Currently, I am anticipating an event in the Activity Center with two adults per child. More news to come.

Also, the Mission Festival is back! Either at the end April or beginning of May, we will have the Mission Festival. This year, it will be an outdoor event. We figured that we could still have the event with all of the kids involved if we were spaced out outside.

Have you told friends with young children about our preschool? Please see the attached flyer. In fact, forward it to everyone you know. Our preschool is caring and academically rigorous. Thanks for your help.

Lastly, most of the students finished up their NWEA MAP testing. I will share the results after Spring Break.

Enjoy Spring Break!!!!

PreK –Mrs. Wismann and Mrs. Palmer

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- It has been a great week in preschool! Mrs. Wismann is so excited to be in the classroom with the kiddo’s everyday!
- We learned alot about St. Patrick’s Day this week! The Monday, Wednesday, Friday group made leprechaun traps and hope they have the luck of the Irish and can catch a leprechaun at school or at home. The Tuesday/Thursday group made several St. Patrick’s Day crafts, they loved making a rainbow by smearing paint in a bag and making a leprechaun face!
- Manners: We have been focusing on answering by Replying “Yes, please” or “No thank you”. The students definitely need more practice with this going through the cafeteria line and responding to Mrs. Brothers.
- Alphabet: We have been reviewing letters A through U.
- Math: We have been reviewing the number 1 through 18.
- Sight Word: Our Monday, Wednesday, Friday group practiced writing sight words this week. The kids had so much fun! The Tuesday/Thursday group will be focusing more on sight words after spring break.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Important Dates</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">3/15-3/26: Spring Break! 4/2: Good Friday-No School! 4/5: Easter Monday-No School!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Star Student!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wesley</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wesley shared his favorite book with his classmates: <i>How to Catch a Dinosaur</i>. Thank you, Wesley!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Our Class is in need of sidewalk chalk and bubbles!</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>With the weather getting nicer we will be using lots of sidewalk chalk to learn outside! Any donations will be greatly appreciated!</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Next Star Student!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Owen</p>

Kindergarten – Mrs. Denning

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After Spring Break we will be working with a new digraph- sh- keyword- shark. We will also work with rhyming words, long vowels, and spelling our "caterpillar" words. We'll get reader #12, "Will She Tell?"

In math we will be working with number sentences, both addition and subtraction. We will also be learning number words, one- ten. The children will be bringing home self-checking flashcards. Help at home, as always, is appreciated.

Show-n-Tell for the week of March 29 is - Ww.

Report cards will be sent home Tuesday March 30. Please make sure to sign and return them to school.

Have a wonderful, restful, and safe Spring Break. We'll see you back at school on March 29

Grade 1 – Ms. McPherson

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I hope everyone has a wonderful Spring Break! Report cards will be sent home Tuesday, March 30th. Don't forget to drive through St. Mary's Fish Fry!

Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove

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The students thought the MAP (Measure of Academic Achievement) test on the laptops was hard this week. This will help me target what they still need to learn.

The 8th grade snack fund bought pizza and drinks for all the testing students to thank them for working so hard. Thank you, eighth grade!

We have finished our reading unit and will start practicing for a play after Spring Break.

Enjoy the break!

Grade 3 and Grade 4- Mr. Rectoradam.rector@mystmarys.com

Hello! Thanks Everyone for a great 3rd Quarter! Just a reminder that our reading logs are due at the end of this month, and to reach our goals, students must read a few days over Spring Break. I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Spring Break!

Grade 5 and Grade 6 – Mrs. Ricesuzy.rice@mystmarys.com

Report cards for the 3rd quarter will be sent home on Tuesday, March 30. The 4th quarter begins on Monday, March 29. The 4th quarter always seems to go quickly, so do your best right away!

5th-8th grade just completed our robotics season with our last meet yesterday and a pizza party. Thank you Mr. Waldon and Mrs. Rector for your help. Thank you to the 8th grade for assisting in the pizza party.

The results for Robotics are:

Robotics Meet 4 on 3/11/21

1st place: 33040B 104 points

Adam, Alahna, Luke, Sylvea

2nd place: 49577A 93 points

Daniel, Garrett, Noah, Sam, William

3rd place: 33040A 78 points

Eleanor, Maddie, Laura

4th place: 12345 50 points

Khloe O., Liam, Mathew, Nordica, Oliver, Rebeka

5th place: 49577B 43 points

Audrey, Holly, Knloe N., Lauren, Lileigh, Rachel

Overall scores for 52 matches

1st place: 49577A 326 points

2nd place: 33040B 271 points

3rd place: 12345 245 points

4th place: 33040A 218 points

5th place: 49577B 182 points

We are continuing Mad Minute Math when we begin 4th quarter. Congratulations to Khloe N. for being the first student to score +60 in one minute in Mad Minute Math. I hope there are more to add their name to the +60 list soon. Practice. Practice. Practice!

Grade 7 – Mrs. Rector

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We had a fun week wrapping up the third quarter! The older students enjoyed getting outside for a few recesses. They also got to have a pizza party after the last robotics competition. Thank you to Mrs. Rice for not only ordering the pizza, but also for organizing all of the robotics events the last two months. Everyone is looking forward to Spring Break. I hope this amazing weather continues. I hope everyone has a terrific break and comes back refreshed and ready to finish the year strong!

Grade 8 – Mr. Waldon

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It's been a busy week! We were able to take our MAP assessments, and they were time-consuming. Nonetheless, they help us track student progress and success. Because our week has been so busy, we didn't make much headway in reading our novel, but we'll hope to wrap it up soon after spring break.

March book reports are due on March 31st. A few of the students have already submitted their reports.

Unit 14 in *Vocabulary Workshop* will be our next vocab assignment and will be due on April 8th.

Thanks to the 8th graders and other students who helped at our first fish fry! Hopefully everyone will be able to support the event today and during the next couple of weeks!

The Mission Festival is coming! The 8th graders will host our annual Mission Festival a few weeks after Easter. Check out future editions of the *Bulldog* for updates.

KEEP IN MIND THAT ALL RELIGION AND VOCABULARY BOOKS SHOULD BE KEPT IN STUDENT BACKPACKS WHEN NOT IN USE, AS WELL AS THE NOVEL WE ARE CURRENTLY READING. THIS IS AN ONGOING ASSIGNMENT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. Whether students are at home or at school, the materials should be in the backpack when they are not in use.

God bless you!

Cafeteria/Playground

Contact Aimee Hollingsworth at 744-8738, to sign up for cafeteria and playground duty. The schedule is online at www.mystmarys.com, under “Student Life”, under “Cafeteria/Playground”. If you can fill in one of the open positions, you can call the school office to let us know!

Lunch:

- 11:00 a.m. – 11:25 a.m. – K-1
- 11:30 a.m. – 11:55 a.m. – Grades 2 - 4
- 11:40 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. - PreK
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:25 p.m. – Grades 5 – 8

Recess:

- 11:35 a.m. – 11:55 a.m. – Grades K – 1
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:25 p.m. – Grades 2 – 4

Cafeteria and Playground hours:

Cafe: First lunch is served at 11:00 a.m., so arrive 10 – 15 minutes early. Serve three lunch periods and help clean up kitchen, wash dishes, etc.

Playground: First recess is at 11:35 a.m., so arrive 10 – 15 minutes early. You will help the teacher supervise students on playground, Activity Center or at the park (depending on weather).

Cafeteria Volunteers:

3/29/21-Diane Patterson, 3/30/21-Kay Gigerich, 3/31/21-Marge Waldon, 4/1/21-Charlotte Deville, 4/2/21-NO SCHOOL

Playground Volunteers:

3/29/21-HELP NEEDED, 3/30/21-Connie Powers, 3/31/21-HELP NEEDED, 4/1/21-HELP NEEDED, 4/2/21-NO SCHOOL

****We need more playground volunteers. If you can help on any day, please call the school office at 812-926-1558!**

Lunch Menu: ~~\$17.50 per ticket (5 meals)~~ All meals are free for all students, until further notice.

29	30	31	1	2
Sausage Gravy w/ Biscuits Peas Carrots Sausage link Fruit Milk	Chicken Patty On Bun Green Beans Corn Fruit Milk	Hamburger or Pizza Burger French Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Cheese Stuffed Bread Stick w/ Pizza Sauce Toss Salad Fruit Milk	Good Friday No School

I am Nicole Eaglin, and I am the Box Tops for Education Coordinator for St. Mary's School. For those of you not familiar with Box Tops for Education, there are several products our school is able to earn money on just because we purchase those items. St. Mary's receives \$.10 for every Box Top label submitted.



Box Tops money may be earned two ways. Some products have labels on the box that you can turn into your child's teacher. I take care of submitting these for reimbursement.

Now Box Tops has gone digital. Just download the Box Tops for Education App. If you purchase items that have a digital label, just scan your receipt. Our school will earn money and receive a check for those items. If you need any help setting up your app or if you simply have any questions, please contact me at nreaglin@comcast.net. I appreciate all of your help in earning money for St. Mary's School.

Ronald McDonald – pop tabs

To many, a pop tab is just a piece of aluminum with one purpose – to open a can. But to Ronald McDonald House Charities, these teeny tiny pop tabs are a valuable resource. Why? Collected pop tabs are recycled, generating much-needed funds to support the House and the nearly 5,000 families we serve each year.



Funds received from the recycling of tabs typically add up to between \$30,000 and \$50,000 annually. All this money goes to the operating expenses of the Ronald McDonald House Charities and can cover the cost of operating 3 rooms in the House for an entire year.

Thanks to generous school children, families, businesses, clubs, and churches, over one billion pop tabs have been donated since the program's inception in 1995, generating more than \$820,000 in pop tab revenue for the House.

There is a yellow can by the FYI Board in the school lobby. Send in any pull tabs with your child(ren) and we will get them to the appropriate person.

Calendar of Events:

March 15-26, 2021	Spring Break
Friday, March 19, 2021	Fish Fry 4:30-7:30
Friday, March 26, 2021	Fish Fry 4:30-7:30
Monday, March 29, 2021	Classes resume
Tuesday, March 30, 2021	3 rd Quarter report cards sent home
Wednesday, March 31, 2021	School Mass 9:00 am GIVING BASKET
Thursday, April 1, 2021	Holy Thursday; Way of the Cross @2:00
Friday, April 2, 2021	Good Friday-NO SCHOOL
Monday, April 5, 2021	Easter Monday-NO SCHOOL

School Theme for 2020/2021

Friends I have a youtube video of our school theme song. I think the words: Your Grace is Enough will work well for this crazy time.

Enjoy!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LISbMRp0Y64>

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Rev. Benjamin Syberg
Pastor of St. Mary's and St. Lawrence Catholic Churches



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