

The Bulldog Barks May 21, 2021

Mr. Dennis-Principal

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It was wonderful to see so many of our families at Awards Night yesterday. The dessert bar was huge, and it was a joyful event. Congratulations to all of the families whose children were honored.

Next week is a busy one! To close out the year, there are many events. Next week alone will include kindergarten graduation, preschool celebration, 8th grade graduation, 8th grade field trip, field day, and closing day Mass and awards! As is always said, there is a lot going on at St. Mary's and that will continue to be the case next year as well. In fact, there are plans for new opportunities next year as the world fully reopens.

It has been a great year with the kids. The families of St. Mary's are an outstanding group that have been clearly blessed. God is good!

PreK –Mrs. Wismann and Mrs. Palmer

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- Wow what a fast year of school this has been! Our Preschool Celebration is on Wednesday, May 26th @ 10am in the Activity Center. The children have been working very hard preparing for our program. Our ceremony should last approximately 30 minutes. We will have snacks to follow. They will be dismissed to go home after the reception or welcome to stay for the day if it is their scheduled day.
*On Wed. (5/26)...All the children are to report to the classroom in the morning by 8:05.
*On Thurs. (5/27)...Preschool will be offered as usual if you choose to send your child.
*On Fri. (5/28)...Preschool will be offered as usual if you choose to send your child.
- Alphabet: We reviewed all uppercase and lowercase letters and their sounds this week. We used alphabet sponges to make words with water outside!
- Math: We worked on one to one counting and counting objects. We counted to 100 by 1's, 2's, 5's, and 10's. Yummy M&M's helped us with our counting!
- Shapes: We used different shapes and built butterflies! We also reviewed shapes and built them with playdough.
- Color: We can now spell the color pink! Mouse helped us mix colors and see what new colors we could make, the kiddo's thought it was so cool!

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Important Dates</u></p> <p>5/21: Kolt's Birthday! 5/26: Preschool Celebration! 5/28: Last Day of School! 6/24: Logan's Birthday! 7/13: Stella's Birthday!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Star Student!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Jase</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Favorite Colors: blue, purple, green Favorite Snack: cookies with icing in the middle Favorite Animal: deer Favorite Season: fall Favorite Movie: How to Train Your Dragon Favorite Book: <i>Are You My Mother?</i></p>
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Kindergarten – Mrs. Denning

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*Please make sure to return all Library books by Monday, May 24. That will be our last Library day. Kindergarten's last school day is Wednesday, May 26. We will have our end of the year celebration from 1:00-1:45 (approximately), in the gym. The students will be dismissed after the program.

Make sure your child brings his/her book bag the last day. The children will have many things to take home.

Don't forget to practice phonics / reading skills over the summer. The children will need to be able to blend sounds, read sight words, color words, and number words at the beginning of first grade.

Thank you for all of your help during the school year. The children have been wonderful, hard working students throughout the year. Ms. McPherson will be getting an awesome group of learners!

Have a great, safe summer vacation!

Grade 1 – Ms. McPherson

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We will be having a Field Day on Thursday, May 27th. The students may be out of uniform. Please have your child wear gym shoes.

Our End of the Year Ceremony will be in church after our 12:30 School Mass on Friday, May 28th. All are welcome to attend. The students may be dismissed right after the ceremony.

Please continue to check your child's folder each night for homework or notes!

Grade 2 – Mrs. Grove

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The second graders worked so hard to do the readings and petitions at mass on Wednesday. They really loved doing it. Thank you, Mr. Waldon for rewriting them for us.

Finally meeting our South Dearborn Student Government pen pals was another highlight of the week. Because of covid, we were not allowed to meet in person, so we had a Google Meet on Thursday morning.

We are learning how to use calculators in math class this week also.

Our new classmate next year, Brooklyn, is spending the day with us Friday. We have been writing back and forth to her all year because we thought her house would be completed in Dillsboro at Christmas time, and she would have joined us for the second semester. But alas, it still isn't quite finished!

Grade 3 and Grade 4- Mr. Rector

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Hello Everyone! This is the last week of School! Our reading logs and journals are due this week.

Thursday we will be having a field day, and you can be out of uniform if you wear your grade's color!

Third grade's color is blue and Fourth Grade's color is yellow. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out! Thanks!

Grade 5 and Grade 6 – Mrs. Rice

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5th grade is finishing the year learning and practicing with decimals, addition, subtraction, and multiplication. 6th grade is concluding math with area and volume of prisms. 7th grade has been working on geometry, especially polygons and constructions. 8th grade has been working with parabolas and quadratic equations.

STEM classes are ending the year making marble runs. The goal is to complete the marble run as close to 30 seconds as possible.

YEARBOOK: Reserve your family's free yearbook by completing the pink form that was sent home or the form attached to the bulldog. If you would like additional yearbooks, there is a place to order them on the reservation form.

St. Mary's Yearbook Order Form

2020-2021

Each school family will get one yearbook free. You must reserve your free family yearbook. You may order additional yearbooks for your children, parents, or grandparents.

Family name(s): _____

Phone #: _____

Parent/family email: _____

_____ **Please reserve our family's free copy**

Please reserve _____ **additional copies @ \$10.00 eac**

I have enclosed:

_____ cash _____ check (payable to St. Mary's School)

Grade 7 – Mrs. Rector**kim.rector@mystmarys.com**

The time is flying by quickly! We are wrapping up the year with reviews and games. The seventh graders are doing a great job organizing the field day for the students in grades 1-6. We are praying for nice weather on Thursday so that most of the events can be held outside.

I can't wait to go to the eighth grade graduation on Tuesday evening. Congratulations to all the eighth graders! I enjoyed being their third grade teacher, as well as 6th, 7th, and 8th grade teacher in some subjects. It won't be the same here without them. Thanks to the 7th grade parents for organizing the reception after the graduation mass. Have a terrific week!

Please encourage your students to wear their class color on Thursday for the field day. They may be out of uniform.

Gr. 1-Green
Gr. 2-Red
Gr. 3-Blue
Gr. 4-Yellow
Gr. 5-White
Gr. 6-Pink
Gr. 7- gray

Grade 8 – Mr. Waldon**jim.waldon@mystmarys.com**

Just two days remaining for the 8th graders! On Monday we will be traveling to Covington and Cincinnati for a special day of prayer, education, entertainment, good food, and fun. Our day will begin with Mass at the cathedral in Covington, and from there we will move to the Museum Center IMAX and other points in downtown Cincinnati. Students do not need to wear their school uniforms. We will return to school by 4:00 P.M.

On Tuesday the class will go to Alejandra's Mexican Restaurant with Mr. Waldon for lunch. We've eaten lunch together in the classroom all year, due to COVID, so it's especially brave for us to go out in public!

We wish each one of our graduating 8th graders great success in all the years ahead! May God be with them and with all of 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:

5/24-Diane Patterson, 5/25-Kay Gigerich, 5/26-Marge Waldon, 5/27-Jill Zigan, 5/28-Jill Zigan

Playground Volunteers:

5/24-HELP NEEDED, 5/25-Connie Powers, 5/26-HELP NEEDED, 5/27-HELP NEEDED, 5/28-HELP NEEDED

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

24	25	26	27	28
Rotini w/ Meat Sauce Toss Salad Green Beans Fruit Milk	Chicken Patty or Chicken Sliders Corn Green Beans Fruit Milk	Hamburger or Pizza Burger FF Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Taco w/ Shredded Pork or Chicken Corn Pinto Beans Fruit Milk	Variety of Chicken Buttered Noodles Veggie Sticks w/ Dip Fruit Milk

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:

Monday, May 24, 2021	8 th Grade Field Trip
Tuesday, May 25, 2021	8 th Grade Graduation 6:00 pm
Wednesday, May 26, 2021	No Mass Kindergarten Graduation 1:00 pm
Thursday, May 27, 2021	Field Day for grades 1-6 planned by 7 th graders
Friday, May 28, 2021	Mass and Ceremony starting at 12:30 Last Student Day
Wednesday, August 4, 2021	First Student Day

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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