



Shamrock News

5/26/17

Announcements:

Important: Our last day of school has been changed to **Thursday, June 8**. Elementary students will dismiss at 11:45 a.m. Busing is available for DK-5 at dismissal. Please see the updated secondary exam schedule for middle and high school dismissal.

Jean Day: Friday, June 2 – This jean day will go to Andrea Adams who was recently diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin’s Large Cell Lymphoma.

Congratulations:

- To the following second grade students who made their First Holy Communion this past weekend: Grace Maria Heins, James Miller, Sean Fedewa and Benjamin White.
- To Samuel Hodge who was named 2nd team All CMAC in golf.
- To the following track athletes that qualified to compete in the State Meet on June 3 at Houseman Field in Grand Rapids. All of these student were also named to the All CMAC team as well. They are:
 - Annie Gunderman (400, 4x200, 4x400)
 - Emma Gunderman (300 hurdles, 4x200, 4x400)
 - Leah Cook (long jump, 4x200, 4x400)
 - Brittany Thelen (100, 4x200, 4x400)
 - Ashton Walker (1600, 3200)
 - Greg Doll (shot put)
- To sophomore Annie Gunderman, who set a new school record in the 400 dash, finishing in 1:01.25.
- To the varsity baseball team for having the opportunity to compete in the Lansing Baseball Diamond Classic on Monday night. They lost a hard fought game 0 – 4 to Class A Okemos.
- To the varsity baseball team for their CMAC league championship. They finished the season with a league record of 15 – 1.

Thank You:

Dr. Chris Pung and Mrs. Ann Marie Pung for helping out 4th grade students with their annual rocket launch this past week.

PTO Book Fair & Carnival: Thank you to everyone who came to the Book Fair Carnival. We had a great time! Thank you to all the Grandparents and parents that came through the Book fair on Grandparents Day. We would also LOVE to thank the family that made an anonymous donation to the book fair. It enabled us to purchase over 75 books from the teachers wish lists and a few to donate to the library. We have such a loving family support system here. After all the donations have been counted and verified by an outside source, the winner of the "who is going to sleep on the roof contest" is Mrs. Audra Pline. The sleepover will happen on Friday, June 2nd. We will have bedtime stories and popcorn snacks at 7:00 pm in the parking lot. Mrs. Pline would love to see all of you come and enjoy the festivities. Bring a blanket, come in your pj's and have some fun.

2017 Spring Semester Exam Schedule – Grades 6 - 11

Monday, June 5: Full Day of School with the following schedule changes:

7:30 – lunch Regular a.m. schedule
 11:28 – 12:05 5th hour
 12:08 – 12:45 6th hour
 12:50 – 2:20 7th hour exam

*Tuesday, June 6: 7:50 – 9:20 1st hour exam
 9:30 – 11:00 2nd hour exam

*Wednesday, June 7: 7:50 – 9:20 3rd hour exam
 9:30 – 11:00 4th hour exam

*Thursday, June 8: 7:50 – 9:20 5th hour exam
 9:30 – 11:00 6th hour exam

* Busing to school only. Secondary students must arrange ride home.



Calendar of Events



5/26	JV BB @ Olivet 4p JV SB scrimmage vs. Olivet @ FFF 4:30p	6/1	2nd Graders dress in First Communion outfits for mass Golf Regionals @ Hastings Country Club 9:30a First Grade Play in Parish Hall 11a
5/29	No School - Memorial Day	6/2	DK Field Trip to Grand Rapids Children’s Museum 9:30a 1st Grad Play in Parish Hall 2:30p
5/30	Var. BB Districts: SPS vs. Morrice @ Potterville 2p School Board Meeting 6p	6/3	Varsity Track State Finals @ Houseman Field Var. BB Districts @ Potterville Var. SB Districts @ Potterville
5/31	5th Grade Transition Day (meet 7:30a-2:20p) 8th Grade Trip to Michigan Adventure 8:30a-6:30p Reconciliation for 7th Grade 12:15p	6/4	Athletic Association Meeting in Parish Hall 6:30p
6/1	7/8 Grade Track Honor Roll Meet 1st Grade Fathers, Franks & Fun 8:45a Mass led by 3rd grade (last school mass) 9:30		

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Hi Parents!

PSAT scores will be given to your 8th and 9th grade students on Tuesday next week. PSAT has moved to online scores and it took a while to get the paper scores to send home. If you would like to see the questions from the test to evaluate what answers were correct and incorrect you can see the actual test questions at studentscores.collegeboard.org.

Fifth grade transition day will be Wednesday, May 31. This is a nifty way for the fifth grade students to get a taste of junior high, and it answers questions and way lays fears about the up coming changes ahead. Fifth grade students will attend the junior high school schedule which Mrs. Martin kindly put together. Plan on your fifth grade student using the junior/high school schedule that day. First hour starts at 7:30 and the last hour is over at 2:20. Please plan to pick your child up that day. Be sure your child brings GYM CLOTHES for P. E. class and a notebook and pencil to classes.

We are very excited about the Aquinas College classes available for our students next year! This lower cost college experience is a wonderful opportunity for our students to have a REAL professor and get a taste of college!

We have begun scheduling for next year. Our 9th and 10th grade students are about finished. We are working on the junior and senior schedules. If your child is not registered for next year, their schedules cannot be completed. Many questions have come up about the dual enrollment opportunities. The first question is enrollment. Mr. Hodge is kindly taking care of the dual enrollment issues as I am part time. I do, however, have a few recommendations to share. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee that dual enrollment classes will transfer. It is not in our control, because each unique college and university has their own specific guidelines and they change. With that said, most classes WILL transfer. Colleges and universities have transfer equivalency guides available on-line. If you and your student know what college they will attend after graduation you can look up the guides. Take a screen shot and use a time stamp when you find the classes your student wants to take so you have proof that the university DID accept the LCC or Aquinas college class at the time your child took the course. I know this is a pain, and I help students navigate this regularly, but it's the best way to help your child transfer credits in the future. You may also contact admissions directly at the colleges of your choice and speak with a college admissions counselor. The vast majority of classes will transfer, but we want to make sure that you are aware of some possible concerns. Mr. Hodge and I are here to help if you have questions.

Have a great week and hug your child today!

Mrs. Hynes

June 23-25

ST. PATRICK'S

SUMMERFEST

ALL WELCOME

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CAN YOU HELP? We're looking for parishioners to work at the Summerfest. Most shifts are only a couple of hours long. There are lots of different places to work; there's literally, something for everyone!

Call Troy and Cortney Smith (517-526-1825) to sign up or use Sign Up Genius on the Summerfest website.



DESSERTS NEEDED for the Chicken Dinner. Please drop them off at the Parish Hall on Saturday. Sugar-free desserts are needed, too (be sure to mark them as such).



Always the Weekend After Father's Day!

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