

DMCS Newsletter November 8, 2018

Dear Parents-

We are excited to be hosting our onsite team from MNSAA this week. This group of educators are here to validate our self-study and affirm our identified challenges. The focus is on continuous improvement!

Conferences are next week! Have you signed up for a meeting with your child's teacher using the sign-up genius links that have been sent out? These will become unavailable to you after Friday. Please contact your child's teacher directly with any questions or scheduling changes after Friday. Conferences are on Tuesday, November 13th and Thursday, November 15th from 4-8 PM. If you wish to see any of our specialists, please do not hesitate to schedule a time with them as well. We look forward to seeing you then!

Our fall Book Fair begins next week as well. If you are looking for some Christmas gifts, now is the time to shop. The book fair will be open during conferences and available to students next week as well. Classes will visit during their scheduled library time. All proceeds go to benefit our library. Thank you!

Our PTO Butterbraid fundraiser has begun. Orders can be collected until November 27th. This is the only fundraiser done by our PTO organization each year. Please help support their efforts to enrich your child's educational experience with programs like Prairie Fire Children's Theatre, Science Museum, Pool Party, and Family Fun Night. They couldn't do these things without your support. Thank you!

Mark your Calendars for Upcoming Events:

Care and Share Day: Care and Share Day (proceeds going for Jesus Food pack)

Thanksgiving Break: November 21-23 (November 21=optional PreK Day)

Reward Dress Down Day: November 30

First Sunday of Advent: December 2

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe: December 12

PreK-5 Christmas Concert: December 18 (at Bethlehem Academy)

A word about winter...

It has gotten cold quickly, and students need to be dressing for the weather. They will be going out for recess unless the temperature or wind chill are below zero. They must have mittens, hats, and coats. After Thanksgiving, it will be mandatory to also have snow pants and boots. All students must have this outer-gear. It becomes a matter of keeping students warm and dry. In fact, if I was a parent of a younger child, I would start sending them with boots and snow pants as soon as the snow/slush begins. Otherwise, they get very dirty and wet. Thank you for your attention to this. We want your children to be safe and warm.

God Bless!

Gina Ashley

"The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith." 1 Timothy 1:5



From the desk of Clare Marvin:

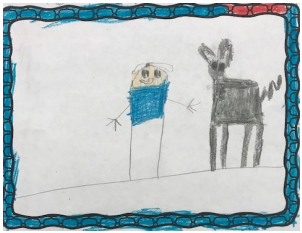
Altar Server training will take place this coming Sunday, November 11, at 11am - immediately following the 10am Mass, at DMCC. Training is for boys and girls 4th grade through 12th grade.

Thanksgiving is coming upon us fast, our annual food drive for St Vincent de' Paul is next Wednesday. Any non-perishable food items you can contribute would be greatly appreciated. Please send them to school with your child.



Please remember DMCS in your will.

Kindergarten "Me" Stories!



BINGO

Save the date- December 2- for Holiday Family Bingo at BA! Bethlehem Academy will be hosting a Holiday Family BINGO Party from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 pm in the BA Gym.

Fabulous Prizes, Kids Games, Food and more!

Watch for a flyer and an unlimited games offer! Plan on taking a break from the holiday hustle and bustle and enjoy some family fun.

(We promise to get you out before the Vikings Game!)

Scholastic Book Fair

The book fair will take place next week:

- * Tuesday 8:30-3:00 & 4:00-8:00
- * Thursday 9:00-3:00 and 4:00-8:00

Students will be attending the book fair during their library period and will have an opportunity to buy books at that time. Parents will also be able to shop at the book fair when they attend conferences.

Books make great Christmas gifts! If you would like to order online the link is <http://onlinebookfairs.scholastic.com/entrance.aspx?FID=3901936&direct=Y>. The online ordering window is November 7-20.



Attached/Included to this folder

- ❖ Hot Lunch Statements
- ❖ PTO November Agenda

Dates to Remember

Nov. 7-9	MNSAA Visit
Nov. 12	K-E to Fire Station
Nov. 13	Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences 4 to 8
Nov. 14	8:30 Mass - Gr. 3 Host
Nov. 15	Gr. 4 to Brekken Museum Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences 4 to 8
Nov. 16	Gr. 1 to Works Museum
Nov. 20	PS-D Thanksgiving Feast
Nov. 21-23	Thanksgiving Break

There will **NOT BE** Homework Club on the following dates:
November 13 and 15 (Parent/Teacher Conference Nights)

PTO October Activities



☺ Butter Braid fundraiser kicked off this week. The sale will run through November 27th. Braids will be delivered December 18th just in time for Christmas!

☺ Agenda for November meeting is attached!

All are invited to attend our PTO meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 14th**. We will meet at 6:00 PM at DMCS.



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