

September 17, 2019



Dear Saint Clare Families,

Your children are such a joy... when they are working hard and when they are being silly!



Last Friday was an eventful day for the 4th through 8th graders. They participated in a special program with a group of people on a Pilgrimage from Kaukauna to our Lady of Good Hope. The students were matched with a walker and greeted them as they approached. Father Kyle Sladek shared a prayer, and the 8th graders led us in a thoughtful meditation. Each of the Pilgrims had a St. Christopher medal for the students. At the end, we all sang a song and then visited as we enjoyed a popsicle. As the walkers continued on their Pilgrimage, they told us that they prayed for our students along the way.

After going back to class for a few hours, the 4th through 8th graders headed over for the 2019 WHS Homecoming Parade. They enjoyed listening to the band, waving at the floats, and catching some candy.

On a more serious note, I have heard about bussing issues from a few people, so I wanted to find out if anyone else has concerns. Please let me know if you are uncomfortable with ...

1. Your child getting off the bus at the high school in the morning, waiting for the final bus to arrive, and then riding over to St. Clare's about 7:50 a.m.
2. Your child leaving St. Clare's on one bus -- not always the same one -- and then transferring to his / her regular bus in the middle school parking lot.

If the bussing practices work well for you, don't feel like you need to call.

However, if you're not comfortable with the situation, or have a specific issue to share with me, please call or email.

The Ice Cream Social and Movie Night is this Friday 9/20 at 6pm. The ice cream truck will be here at 6pm. Most treats are \$2 or less. After having an ice cream treat, we will head inside for a movie. Cars 3 or the New Alladin will be showing upstairs for the older kids. Space Buddies or Rio 2 will be in the basement and is appropriate for everyone. Please join us for free popcorn, water bottles, and fellowship!

The Puberty Talks that were scheduled for last week were postponed because of low enrollment. I'm sorry we haven't been able to find a date that Ms. Kola, Deacon Mike, and I are all available. We will get the information to 4th-8th grade parents as soon as possible. I hope the new date and time will work for you and your middle-schooler.

Let's try to have all Little Caesar's orders in by Thursday, September 25th since we don't have school on Friday the 26th. We sure appreciate that you are willing to participate in fundraisers like this!

MAP Testing will be starting on Wednesday. Kindergarteners and first graders are allowed to listen to the audio while they take the tests. Second graders on up need to be able to read the test themselves. Please encourage your children to do their best because the scores help us know when to differentiate instruction for students who are struggling or excelling in a certain area.

Thank you to everyone who has donated pop tabs, box tops, soup label, and milk caps over the years! We will continue to collect the box tops and pop tabs this school year. However, Campbell's no longer has a school program, and the milk cap program has also been discontinued.

Enclosed you will find a sheet titled, "Diocesan Advocates, Inc.: Annual Income Eligibility Parent Survey." We are asking every family to please fill it out because throughout the year, the state and federal government and certain grants use this form to determine how much money a school receives. Every form that is returned -- no matter what your income is -- helps in the "formulas" they use to distribute funds. Thank you in advance for spending the time to fill out this form.

I hope you have a beautiful week in the Lord,

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