

St. Charles Chatter

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News from the Library

Birthday Book Club

The St. Charles Library Birthday Book Club is up and running. It is not too late to enroll your child. Check the Option C File Library for the form. Complete the form and return it to school with a check for \$15 made payable to St. Charles School.

Accelerated Reader Update

Students in first through fifth grade participate in the Accelerated Reader program. If you are at the Wilmington Stroop branch of the Dayton Metro Library or the Woodbourne Library, you may ask for a copy of the AR list of quizzes for St. Charles School. In our school library we have lists of quizzes by reading book level that may be checked out for the parents to review. St. Charles owns over 4,600 AR quizzes. Please contact us at mbrown@saintcharlesschool.net or elush@saintcharlesschool.net if you have concerns or questions.

Book Fair

Scholastic Book Fair is Friday, 10/14 – Friday 10/21. We have a couple of new twists this year. St. Charles along with some other area Catholic Schools has decided to donate 10% of our profit to St. Mary's School in Joplin, Missouri. The school was destroyed by the tornado this spring. Families will now be able to shop online. All orders will be shipped to our school with no shipping fee. There will be an expanded collection of books online. We hope to have a great sale to support St. Mary's School.

Teacher preview will be after school on Friday, 10/14. We will be open on Sunday, 10/16 from 10 am – 12:30. Monday – Friday will be open during school hours with extra hours on Tuesday from 3 pm – 5:30 pm and Wednesday from 6 pm – 8 pm.

Please bring your classes to the book fair. This fundraiser is the main support for the library.

School Calendar Clarification

Please note that on our school calendar there has been a change. **November 10th and 11th there will be NO SCHOOL.**

Parent Teacher Conferences will be on Wednesday evening and Thursday morning.

Classes will resume Monday November 14th.

IOWA Test of Basic Skills Grades 2-8

The IOWA test will continue to be given to students in grades 2-8 next week.

Please ensure that your child is well rested and make every attempt to be present on these days. A healthy breakfast on these days also assists on students' ability to focus during these tests.

These tests are mandated by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and aid in the adjustment of curriculum to better serve our students.

Do you have a Target Visa?

If you have a Target charge you are able to designate a percentage of what you purchase to go to St. Charles through their "Take Charge of Education". It is free for Target cardholders and only takes a minute to designate a school. Target donates 1% of all purchases to the school of your choice (St. Charles).

You can designate at stores at the service desk or with the link below. Thank you for your continued support of our school!

http://sites.target.com/site/en/corporate/page.jsp?contentId=PRD03-005174&ref=sr_shorturl_tcoe

Happy Birthday

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Alumni Help!

We are beginning the long process of entering data for our new Alumni Database. We need help in this process. If you would like to volunteer time to help input this data, please email Maggie Collins at mcollins@saintcharlesschool.net

Future Events:

October 4-16 – IOWA Test of Basic Skills,
Grades 2-8
October 17-21 Scholastic Book Fair
November 9 – Parent/Teacher Conferences,
4 PM-9 PM
November 10 – No School, P/T Conferences,
8 AM-12 PM
November 11 – No School

ATTENTION 2nd GRADE FAMILIES:

It is time to take the next step in our journey together: the Church Tour! This is a parent and child event. Please mark your calendars and come either Sunday, October 9 at 2:00pm or Monday, October 10 at 7:00 pm in the Church. Siblings are welcome! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Erin Fanning at efanning@stcharles-kettering.org or call the Faith Formation Office at 434-9272. I'm looking for rch together!

Need Batteries?

The Monsignor Breslin K of C Council 14995 at St. Charles is selling 9V and AA batteries. The profits go to support vocations. Batteries are available any time in the closet area of the Hospitality Room. One battery is only \$3 and two batteries are only \$5. Batteries will be sold next week in Walsh Hall Wed, TH and Friday after school

School Directories were sent home today.

Please make sure you check your child's backpack. If you would like to purchase any additional directories they will be available in the school office for \$5.

Please remember to utilize the STC Gold Pages. Our families have listed their business or service, so we can support within our community.

Walk News

In your Wednesday Envelope, this week, you were given a permission slip for our first walk of the year. We will be walking to kick off our 50 Year Jubilee celebration. Throughout the year, the parish will be having many events honoring this special year.

Please feel free to join us in our walk on October 18th after our all school mass at 8:30 a.m.

Clinic News- The Flu Mist!

A nurse from Public Health-Dayton & Montgomery County will be giving seasonal FluMist influenza vaccine to students at St. Charles on Thursday, October 20th. Please look in next week's Wednesday envelope for more information.

Cafeteria News

There has been a lot of talk and controversy over school cafeterias in the past few years. Now that this new Senate Bill has passed many schools have to do what we have been doing for the past 15 years! In a September issue of The Dayton Daily News, there was an article about the rising cost of school lunches due to the fact that schools will now have to offer fresh fruit and vegetables and more whole grains. Our school has been offering these items for a while now. All of our buns and breads are whole grain. Our pizzas are whole grain crusts with low fat cheeses. We have been switching our pastas to whole - wheat pasta and our tortilla wraps as well! Even though it is not mandated, we are starting to work on lowering the sodium and even portion sizes to 200 or less calories per item. Fortunately, we have not had to raise our lunch prices in the past five years and have somehow remained able to provide great nutrition without breaking the budget. Since we are not part of a public school district, we have no general fund to take money from if our equipment is broken or needs replaced and we prepare all of our meals on site in the cafeteria kitchen. We are a non - profit organization that is committed to providing every child with the nutrients that they need to grow strong and nourish their minds. The best support and reward we can ask for is if every child buys lunch in the school cafeteria so we can continue to provide for future generations. Thank you for your support.

St. Charles School Parents!

50 Anniversary Mission Approaching!

The Hospitality Committee for the upcoming Mission (Oct 22-26) is in need of 6-8 volunteers to set-up, serve refreshments, and clean-up for the **Wednesday evening, Oct. 26, 7-9 p.m.**

presentation by Fr. Richard Fragomini. You are NOT being asked to provide refreshments or snacks unless you choose to sign-up for that on the reception sheet in the church atrium. Please RSVP directly to rhoffman@stcharles-kettering.org by **October 5** if you can help. THANKS!