

THURSDAY NOTES

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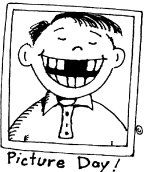
This Week's Calendar

TONIGHT	Volleyball & Football vs Evergreen @ Home - 3:30 PM
TOMORROW FRIDAY	Buddy Mass - Grades 3 & 6 9:00 AM
	7th Grade Field Trip to Salmon Hatchery
MONDAY	MMO - 7th Grade 2:15 Early Dismissal
TUESDAY	Individual Pictures - 8:20 AM Have Money Envelope In Hand
THURSDAY	Volleyball & Football @ Pioneer - 3:30 PM
NEXT FRIDAY	All-School Mass - 9:00 AM

Scripture

Wisdom shouts in the streets . . . "Come and listen to my counsel. I will share my heart with you and make you wise." (Proverbs 1:20)

Get all the advice and instruction you can, so you will be wise the rest of your life.
(Proverbs 19:20)



Say Cheese ... TUESDAY!!!

Individual student pictures will be next Tuesday, September 29th starting around 8:20 AM.

The money envelopes are enclosed in today's Thursday Notes packet. Please read the instructions carefully.

The money envelopes are to be **turned into the teacher** (not the office) on or before picture day.



Dear St. Michael School Families:

Now that our students are beginning to settle into their daily routines of school and activities and before homework starts to become too big of an issue, I thought I would share some advice I read recently about ending homework hassles.

- Help with homework only as long as there is no frustration or anger. When homework becomes associated with negative emotions, it's no surprise that kids start to view learning as a real drag.
- Help only as long as your child is working harder than you are. Say, "I'll be happy to help you as long as you're working harder than I am."
- Avoid sitting with your child when they are about to "get it". Many kids come to believe that they can only learn new things ... or "get it" ... if an adult is guiding them every step of the way. Explain this by saying, "Part of my job as a parent is to help you see that you can learn without me. That's why there will be times when I let you work by yourself."

Let me close with some words of the Old Testament, "And rejoice! Celebrate all the good things that God, your God, has given you and your family." For truly the Lord has blessed us with many good things – especially St. Michael Parish School.

God bless, Jack Nelson

Twelve Gardens of Stewardship

The opportunity to make decisions is a gift from God and a great responsibility. This is our gift of free will. Old Testament scripture shows

a long history of God's faith community being called to make decisions – to follow Him and His ways, or to neglect God's ways, choose their own and suffer the consequences of those decisions. Similarly, we in the modern world are also called to make decisions that follow God, not ones that turn us away from Him. During October, our students will focus on ways to make decisions that are thoughtful and wise. To keep apprised, please see the new bulletin board in the hallway across from the office and watch our "Garden of Stewardship" grow.



Have You Turned in Your ...



- Blue Emergency Card
- Driver Information Form
- Sweatshirt, T-Shirt, Vest
- Order Form (Due Tomorrow!)



Safe Environment Training

Volunteering in the near future? The next Safe Environment Trainings are as follows:

Tonight, September 24th @ 6:00 PM - Parish Center - Multipurpose Room

Saturday, September 26th @ 1:00 PM - St. Michael Gather Space

Tuesday, October 6th @ 6:45 PM, Downtown Gathering Space Room 1.

Sunday, October 18th, 1:00 PM, Downtown Parish Center Multipurpose Room

Also take note:

There is now a link to the Safe Environment website on our school website. It is located on the Parent Resources page.

Hot Lunch Reminder

Parents please remember to turn in your free/reduced lunch application if this applies to you.

Not all parents need to do this, just those who may need some assistance and think they may qualify. Please have these in by October 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Smith, Hot Lunch Manager @ 754-5131.

There are extra copies on the wall in the hallway next to the school office.



School Hot Lunch Menu

Thursday, October 1

- Teriyaki Chicken Bowl
- Egg Roll
- Pineapple Salad
- Fortune Cookie



Friday, October 2

- Cheese-Filled Breadsticks w/Marinara Sauce
- Fruit
- Salad
- Carrots
- Milk

Save the Date ...



for nationally known speaker Leif Kerhwald on Monday October 19 - 7:00 - 9:00 PM, Downtown Church talking about:

Raising A Faith-Filled Family

When families spend time together, build healthy relationships with one another, share meals, and solve conflicts and reconcile with one another, they grow not only in well-being, but also in faith. This session will show parents, grandparents, and others a four-step process for recognizing how God lingers in the creases and folds of the ordinary *and extraordinary* events of their family life.

Thursday Notes Green Envelope Reminder



Please remember to turn in your Thursday Notes Folder by Monday of the following week!