



Family Folder – Wednesday, November 1, 2023

End of First Quarter: It hardly seems possible that 1/4th of the year is almost gone already! The end of the first quarter is Friday, **November 3rd**. Report cards will go home in the family folder on the 8th. Please use these grades as a way to start a conversation about work ethic, study habits, and setting goals. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or Mrs. Hytry.

Veteran's Day: In recognition of their sacrifices, we'll dedicate our mass on **Tuesday, November 7th**, for our veterans and their families. During that week the students will also create an addition to our Peace Wall, writing pieces dedicated to peaceful solutions in the hope that one day God's peace will reign here on Earth. The American Legion in Stoddard has agreed to come for an assembly on Friday, the 10th, at 10:30. The students will sing songs and present their Peace Wall writing and the Veterans will present the colors and give a speech. The community is invited to the assembly and to a community lunch at 11:30. Please RSVP with the attached form that is enclosed again this week.

Turkey Baskets: As we approach the Thanksgiving season we pause to remember those who are not as blessed as we are. Included is a donation request list to put together 5 turkey baskets to be distributed by Vernon County Health and Human Services. Thank you so much for helping us fulfill God's wish that we share the gifts He gives us with others. Vernon County will come to collect the baskets **Tuesday, November 21st at 10:30**.

Pancake Breakfast and Bingo: on **Sunday, November 12th**, enjoy **homemade buttermilk or pumpkin pancakes, scrambled eggs, ham, applesauce, and choice of beverage**. There will also be baked goods for sale. Following breakfast, **Bingo is from 11 AM – 1 PM**.

Inclement weather: Just a reminder that Autumn brings a spread of temperatures ranging from warmer to colder, whether we're ready or not. The wind seems to funnel right up the parking lot and across the playground. Please be sure to check your child for weather-appropriate clothing in the morning. **Mittens/gloves, hats, scarves, winter jackets, and possibly boots will be needed for outside recess**. We will be going outside for recess as long as the temperature/windchill is above 20 degrees, or at the teachers' discretion. Students will be in the cafeteria if we can't go outside at the end of the day so come inside to pick your child up.

Scrubby knitting: Pam Jeffers has once again offered to teach the 4th-6th graders to knit a kitchen scrubby, a perfect Christmas gift. She'll be able to hold the first class on **Tuesday, November 14**. If your child would like to take part in this class please let Mrs. Hytry know and you can send in the \$5.00 any time before the 14th.

PTO Update (Jessie Cina):

- **Pancake Breakfast/Bingo volunteer signup:** We need all hands-on deck to make it successful – please return the volunteer signup sheets as we **HAVEN'T** received ANY so far.
- **Poster:** Please put up poster and share information!
- **Reminder:** there are still **yearbooks** that haven't been picked up. Please pay (\$12 each) and pick up your 22-23 yearbooks ASAP. Carrol has them in her office. Thank you!
- Next **PTO meeting** is **November 7th at 5:30 PM** in school gym.

- Any questions, ideas, agenda items or concerns for PTO, please reach out to Jessie at Jbutterfly12384@gmail.com or call/ text 608-780-1148

BELIEVE Magical Holidays and Spunkmeyer Cookie Dough Fundraiser: Since these were delivered today, we hope you are getting them delivered to your customers and once again let them know you appreciate their support!

Scrip (Megan Olson): Please touch base with Megan for any questions: 608-385-7815 or mjtrussoni@gmail.com

De Soto Area Schools Message Alert Information per De Soto instructions for school closures:
SchoolMessengerSetup (SMS): De Soto offers text message notification service to all the school families. Please email your cell phone number to: jkreuzer@desoto.k12.wi. with **SchoolMessengerSetup** in the title. **Three days after you send your request, please text "YES" to 67587 to opt-in to receive SMS messages from De Soto Area Schools. (Jackie Kreuzer, Adm. Assist. De Soto Area Schools)**

Taking care of the body God gave us: Please have your child dress in layers to be comfortable at school. A sweater, sweatshirt, or jacket might be needed for chilly classrooms and can be kept at school just in case. Winter jackets, hats, and thicker, water-proof gloves might be appropriate for some days. **The little knit gloves might be cute but offer no protection against wind, cold, and wet so please do not have your child wear these to school.** If your child brings home a hat, gloves, or jacket that belongs to the school (the teacher will notify you through email), this item should be washed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Hunger Knows No Season: Please join us in collecting for the local food pantry! Bring in a nonperishable food item **every Tuesday** to help those in need. We will place the items in the food basket at the altar before Mass. This is sponsored by the Student Council. The food items will support the St. Matthew's Food Pantry.

St Charles Facebook Page: **Like** the St Charles Facebook Page for updates and events at school.

Enclosures:

- Turkey Basket Lists
- Highlights for November (4th-6th)
- Bake Sale Flier

Dates to Remember:

November 03: End of quarter, report cards go home Nov. 8

November 03: Celebrating St. Charles Borromeo's Feast Day, Adoration at 2:30, Student Council Bake Sale

November 12: Pancake breakfast/Bingo, sponsored by PTO

November 22-24: Thanksgiving break

December 03: First Sunday of Advent

December 12: Christmas Concert/Art Show

December 15: Santa Sale

December 22: Last day of school before Christmas break

Birthdays:

November 26: Lorenzo Trussoni

Highlights for November:

- End of the quarter will be November 4th, report cards will go home Wednesday, November 8th. Time flies!
- Dioramas are finished! 4th graders will jump into their Wisconsin History book. History for the 5th/6th graders will focus on explorers.
- English: We'll start the month with a short PEACE Wall writing project. We'll jump into the study of nouns and pronouns after that.
- 6th grade Science unit is on the cellular process of mitosis and the intricacies of DNA.
- 4th/5th grade Science will find out how God ordered the universe to move through forces. This might involve a few experiments with hot wheels.
- Math units include subtraction for 4th, division for 5th and 6th, and fractions for Bayne. We're still working on accuracy for simple operations.
- We're almost finished with *The Birchbark House*. It was slow going with all the different Annishinabe words but the students found that a lot of the situations which Omakayas faced was historically

accurate. Everyone will be mixed and matched into different reading books next so you can check with your child.

- Skills we continue to work on:
 - working accurately with the all-important add/subtract, multiply/divide math facts
 - using Grammar skills already taught
 - remembering that Spelling and LA answers should be written in cursive to practice that skill
 - paying attention when it's your turn for a lesson, and using your own brain to give problems a try
- As always, please call me with any homework concerns at 608-648-2800



WHEN: Friday, November 3rd

WHERE: Lello Room after lunch

*WHY: to raise money for the
Middle School Retreat*

*BRING: money for our tasty
treats such as cookies,
brownies, or puppy
chow!*



Thanksgiving Baskets



This Thanksgiving season, the students and staff of St. Charles School will once again work together to collect food for needy families of Vernon County. The items will be collected and combined to form a complete Thanksgiving dinner for a family.

Please bring in your child(ren)'s item(s) by **Friday, November 17**. If something should be kept refrigerated or is best fresh, please wait until closer to November 17 to bring it in. We are also asking each family to send **\$10.00** to help purchase a gift card and games for each basket. The St. Charles Women's Group will be purchasing the turkey for each basket.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

	4K/K Basket	1/2/3 Basket	4/5/6 Basket	Staff Basket #1	Staff Basket #2
5 lb. bag of potatoes	Rosie	Lorenzo	Jack	Kelly	Mariette
2 cans/jars of gravy	Rosie	Gio	Jack	Kelly	Mariette
2 boxes of stuffing	Bella	Thomas	Abigail	Kelly	Mariette
2 cans of cranberries	Addey	Dekker	Ari	Sandy	Carrol
2 cans of vegetables	Addey	Ezio	Easton	Sandy	Carrol
2 cans of sweet potatoes	Raegen	Ezio	Shelby	Sandy	Carrol
Dinner rolls	Hazel	Autumn	Bayne	Patti	Mary Kate
1 lb. of butter	Hazel	Autumn	William	Patti	Mary Kate
Pumpkin Pie	Augi	Keilana	Celia	Patti	Mary Kate

