



Family Folder - Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Vernon County Health Department Flu Clinic Reminder: The Vernon County Health Department will conduct an Influenza Vaccination Clinic starting here at St. Charles **October 15th at 10:30 AM.** **Please return the completed forms to the school office PRIOR TO October 15th.**

Parent-Teacher Conferences Reminder: We'll see you on **October 17th**, at your scheduled time. This is your chance to sit down with your child's teacher, ask questions, find out your child's strengths, and areas that might need extra work. If you cannot make your scheduled time, please contact your child's teacher and make an alternative meeting time.

Fire Prevention Week: Fire Prevention Week is **October 7th -11th** this year. The local fire department will come for their annual fire prevention program for **4K – 3rd grade.** This will be held outdoors at **2 PM** on Friday, **October 11th.** We are fortunate that we have a local fire department willing to do this prevention program for us each year!

Adventures in Reading Goal: The adventure begins! After totaling up the reading minutes from September, a whopping 10,838 minutes, we've revised our goal for this year. The 4th-6th graders decided our new goal should be 65,000 minutes for the entire school year.

Student Council: The students and staff of St. Charles School have voted and their voices have been heard! Celia is our president, William is our vice-president, Keilana is our secretary, and Ari has volunteered to be our secretary. Lavender, Shelby, Autumn, Lorenzo, and Ezio will have the important job of representatives of the students. Congratulations to all for a job well-done in their campaign speeches.

Field Trip: The children in Pre-K through 3rd grade had a fantastic field trip on **Tuesday.** We learned about harvesting apples at Sunrise Orchard and enjoyed a taste of apple cider doughnuts and deee-licious honey crisp apple cider. They gave us a coloring book AND a box of Ambrosia apples to take home! We enjoyed a picnic lunch and the playground at the DeSoto Park before we toured DeSoto Public Library. What a great place to enjoy some good books! Kari was so kind and gave us each a free book to take home and enjoy. The last leg of our excursion was at the Genoa Fish Hatchery. Erica taught us about the many fish and mussels in the Mississippi and how the fish hatchery helps to increase the fish population for us and many people across the U.S. She let us hold a baby sturgeon and gave us a little tattoo to take home. Father Sedlacek surprised us and met us there. Thank you, God, for our beautiful day!

Trivia Night: Our third Trivia Night was a hit with 75 contestants having a fun night together! We learned about baby animals, Disney villains, Hall of Famers, and our presidents, to name a few. We sold a lot of stump stopper stickers and made almost the same amount from them as we did from entry fees! Please keep **December 6 or 7**

PTO (Jessie Cina):

- **Yearbooks** are in - please send your \$18 (per book) and Carrol will send home if you haven't yet.
- **Swing set** - getting closer! Area is dug, swing set will be placed soon then mulch will need to be spread! We are looking at a day the kids can help as well at the end of school. More to come as we know more.
- **Thank you** for those that were able to come work and/or play trivia last Saturday! It was another successful event and we're looking forward to the next!
- **Pancake breakfast:** mark your calendar...Sunday, **November 10th**
- **Next PTO meeting** Monday, **November 4th, 5:30 PM**
- **Concerns** - please text 608-780-1148 OR email me at (Jessie) at jbutterfly12384@gmail.com

De Soto Community Center Trunk-OR Treat: See the attached flyer on a De Soto Community Trunk-OR-Treat Halloween Party **October 31** at the De Soto Community Center (57 Crawford Street in De Soto). There will be games, a warm meal, costume contest at 6:30 PM and Trunk-OR-Treating.

Inclement Weather Reminder: We will keep the children indoors at the end of the day if the weather is too rainy or cold. Please come into the school to pick up your child if you don't see anyone out on the playground. We will follow De Soto's announcement for any school closings. You can always check the news channels for closures (keep in mind that the announcement will be for De Soto schools, NOT St. Charles school), sign up for a text directly from De Soto schools, (**see instruction below to sign up for Message Alert**), or wait for an email from Mrs. Hytry. If school has to close early for any reason we will notify you through email and follow your emergency pick-up plan that you filled out in your school packet.

De Soto Area Schools Message Alert Information per De Soto instructions for inclement weather and/or other school closures:

SchoolMessengerSetup (SMS): We offer text message notification service to all the school families. Please email your cell phone number to: jkreuzer@desoto.k12.wi.us 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.**

Snacks reminder: We do have a student in the 4K-1st grade with an allergy to nuts and milk. The nut allergy is not severe but, to be safe, **any treats should be free from nuts or nut products and milk.** Please remember that any snacks brought to school should be on the more nutritious side, rather than more to the just-sweet side. If you are planning treats for the whole school, especially birthday treats, please check to see if the treats are made without nuts and nut products. Healthy snacks include fruit, vegetables, baked snack chips, low sugar granola bars, popcorn, graham crackers, whole grain cereal, or rice cake snacks.

The Second-Hand Shack (Ellen Michuta): Questions and/or concerns, check the **September 18th** family folder for information from Ellen Michuta on the Second-Hand Shack – replacement for Thrifty Pickins'.

RaiseRight (Megan Olson): Questions or concerns, check with Megan at 608-385-7815.

Taking care of the body God gave us: A sweater, sweatshirt, or jacket might be needed for chilly morning recesses and can be kept at school just in case. Sweatshirts worn as jackets outside should be taken off and hung up instead of worn in the classroom.

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. 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 occurring at school.

Handouts:

De Soto Library: Halloween Party Flyer

Dates to Remember:

October : Stand up to Bullies month, focus on kindness
October 10: Guest Reader
October 11: Fire Department visit (4K-3rd)
October 15: Influenza clinic at 10:30
October 17: Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:00-6:00
October 21: Bake Sale sponsored by Student Council
October 25: No school, Teacher In-service
October 31: Costume Day
November 01: All Saint's Day, mass at 8:30; End of First Quarter, report cards go home Wednesday, November 6th

Birthdays:

October 22: Ezio Olson



DE SOTO COMMUNITY TRUNK-OR- TREAT

THURS. OCT 31 | 5-7PM

**BRING YOUR TRUNK, STOCK IT
WITH CANDY AND REEL IN THE
GOBBLINS!**

**57 CRAWFORD ST- DE SOTO
COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING
LOT**

DE SOTO COMMUNITY



HALLOWEEN PARTY

31

OCTOBER

57 CRAWFORD ST-
DE SOTO
COMMUNITY
CENTER

4-7 PM

Games, warm meal, costume
contest at 6:30pm and Trunk-
or -Treating



