

Spartan Scoop

NOVEMBER 16, 2022

WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK?

Good Afternoon Spartan Parents!

Well I think it is safe to say that our 70 degree days are over! As a reminder below are the outside recess requirements. We will be going outside as much as possible, students need to be dressed appropriately.



Are we having indoor or outdoor recess today?:

Students are to come to school prepared to go outside for recess every day single day, regardless of the weather. This means they should be dressed appropriately for cold/warm weather. Students should be dressed warmly in layers with ears, fingers, legs and toes covered during the winter months. Input for the decision to stay inside for recess comes from the administration and support staff based on the following conditions. The decision to have indoor vs. outdoor recess is subject to change during the day based on the change in weather conditions.

Indoor Recess If:

- Temperatures with wind chill are below 28°F
- Rain, freezing rain, snow, sleet, hail, extreme wind speeds
- Ice build up, Snow build up



MEET MRS. SCHULTZ!

My name is Dana Schultz, formally Dana Ries, and I am the new school social worker/counselor at St. Germaine School. I graduated from Wayne State University in 2018 with a Master's degree in Social Work. Prior to obtaining this position, I was an outpatient therapist at Macomb County Community Mental Health where I worked with children, adolescents, and adults who struggled with various mental health disorders. I am very excited to be back at St. Germaine as I was a student from Preschool – 8th grade. I used to coach varsity soccer here for many years alongside my sister, Mrs. Elwart, who is the current

Kindergarten teacher. I have also worked as an aid in the SACC program too! I recently got married on November 5th, 2022 and I am enjoying married life with my husband, Karl and our dog, Leyland. I am truly blessed to be back at St. Germaine as this school has been a huge part of my life. I cannot wait to work with the incredible students, families, and faculty members moving forward!

SPARTAN SPOTLIGHT- SPARTAN OF THE WEEK

Our Spartan of the Week is seventh grader Stacie McCabe!



Stacie was nominated by Mrs. Makohn. Read what Mrs. Makohn has to say about Stacie! Stacie has worked so hard this year. She has grown exponentially since the beginning of sixth grade. Her grades have improved, her effort and attention are stellar. She loves to read and loves to share about books she is reading. Stacie is always willing to lend a hand to a classmate or teacher. She is a joy to have in class and we are lucky to have her!

Way to be diligent Stacie! Keep up the great work!

ST. GERMAINE TRADITIONS

For as long as I have been with St. Germaine we have done two fantastic events leading into Advent.

One is a drawing contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus that went home today. If you don't have paper at home please ask and we will provide you with a sheet. There are great prizes to be won and it is an excellent way for students to show off some of the gifts God has given them. All drawings are due back in the office no later than DEC 3rd. SO far only one poster has been turned in, I would love to see more!

The other was a flyer to the annual toy drive. Next month our virtue is charity and it ties in perfectly to the season. If you are able and if you can find some stellar buys if you are a black Friday shopper please consider picking up a toy or two for those who are not as blessed as us. Toys will be picked up from the office on DEC 9th.

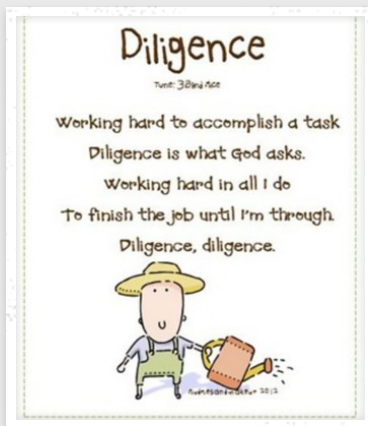


STUDENT COUNCIL CONTEST

The student Council will be holding a turkey toss contest

This will run from 11/15-11/22. You get 3 tosses for a dollar.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH



DILIGENCE

Every month we will be looking at virtue as a whole school. This week our students added the gift of Faith to our growing gift of kindness. This month we will be focusing on how we can be a more diligent. A diligent person is characterized by steady, earnest, and energetic effort. Our school is filled with diligent individuals, I can't wait to watch this virtue shine!

SPARTANS CELEBRATE THE SAINTS

The month of November is devoted to the Saints. Every week I will highlight a new saint to discover that families can talk about together.

This week's Saint is St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. I chose my Confirmation name after. I didn't become a Catholic until later in life, and I felt a strong pull towards her.



One of the things I strive to instill in the children is that we have all been called to become saints. We all have in us what it takes. The ordinary can do the extraordinary!

Saint Elizabeth was born Elizabeth Ann Bayley in New York City on August 28, 1774. She was raised as a devout Episcopalian. Her father was a physician and she grew up with riches and affluent social circles. At age 19 she married a handsome, wealthy businessman, William Magee Seton, and moved into a beautiful residence on Wall Street. Elizabeth suffered greatly

from many loved one's deaths. After Elizabeth sailed to Italy with her husband and eldest daughter, her husband died of tuberculosis. She was a widow at age 29, penniless and raising 5 children, two of whom died at a young age. While in Italy, Elizabeth visited Catholic Churches. She eventually felt called to convert to Catholicism seeing the faith in action through family friends. She became Catholic because....she came to believe in the Real Presence. She had a devotion to our Blessed Mother. In March 1805 she entered the Catholic Church. She was rejected by many family and friends because of her decision to become Catholic. Elizabeth opened a school in Baltimore to support her children. Elizabeth's sister-in-law also became Catholic and together they started the first Sisters of Charity community in the U.S. in 1809 in Emmitsburg, Maryland. The Sisters of Charity was the first first congregation of religious sisters to be founded in the United States. Its school was the first free Catholic school in America. This humble beginning marked the start of the Catholic parochial school system in the United States. She died on January 4, 1821 at the age of 46.

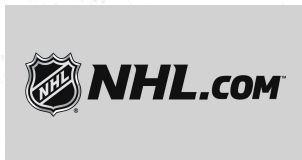
Elizabeth Ann Seton's remains are entombed in the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Pope Paul VI canonized Mother Elizabeth Ann Seton on September 14, 1975 and she is the first native-born American to be canonized!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Be on the look out for more information coming home today regarding Breakfast with Santa! This is a time honored tradition that we are excited is coming back. Mark your calendar for December 4th. Starting at 9:00 and going till 12:30. Breakfasts consists of all you can eat Pancakes and sausage. Prices are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children and seniors (55 and up). Santa will be there for photos and crafty art projects to made! We hope to see you there!



NOMINATE A TEACHER OF THE MONTH FOR THEM TO WIN A PRIZE!



Teacher of the Month

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The Detroit Red Wings Teacher of the Month program, presented by Burns and Wilcox, was created to show thanks and gratitude to Michigan teachers and educators who change the lives of millions of children every day, inside and outside the classroom. Each month from October 2022 to March 2023, one deserving teacher will be recognized with the Red Wings Teacher of the Month award.

SPORTY SPARTAN

TOURNAMENT REMINDERS

We are excited to have the tournaments at St. Germaine , we invite all to come watch and cheer on our Spartans to victory. However, please remember and abide by the rules.

1. Students are not allowed to attend games unless accompanied by an adult. That adult is responsible for the child/children they bring with them. This includes students working the free throw fundraiser as well.
2. Students will not be allowed to use the playground equipment at any time.
3. Students are NEVER allowed into the school past the designated locker rooms.
4. If a student chooses to leave the building for re-admittance they must be accompanied outside by an adult.



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Join us for some basketball fun! As a reminder children must be accompanied by an adult. No playing on the playground equipment

CHRISTMAS CONCERT NEWS FOR GRADES 1-8

We are super excited that we will be having our Christmas concert in person this year. The show will last approximately 1 hour and will be held in the activity center. As a reminder for those lucky parents who bid on the front row seats at the gala to email me so I can put the reserved signs on your seats!



As the concert gets closer more information will be coming home. Mrs. Hoyt however is in need of wrapped empty boxes as part of the display. If you happen to have any extra boxes, like Amazon type and can wrap them up pretty for display that would be wonderful. Please have them brought to the school before Dec 7th.

DECEMBER MONTHLY CALENDAR



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December Calendar of Events



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IMPORTANT DATES

- 11/21 8th grade pierogi fundraiser begins
- 11/23 Half day dismissal
- 11/24 Thanksgiving, no school
- 11/25 no school
- 12/2 Pierogi fundraiser ends
- 12/2 Spirit Day
- 12/2 Pizza Day
- 12/6 grades 6-8 field trip to DIA
- 12/9 Progress Reports home grades K-5
- 12/9 Christmas Program 6:30pm in Activity Center



SPARTAN SPIRIT WEAR

Attached is the flier for the new spirit wear store. The website address in the flier can be clicked to go to the shop website or I am including the link below. You just have to click and enter the shop code then you can shop, pay and it will be shipped directly to the purchaser. There also is a contact in the shop so if you have questions you can email them directly. Open through the end of the year.



This year I will allow the middle school to wear the 1/4 zip up in place of or with their sweater/vests. Many of the middle school students complain it is cold in their class/hallway. Coats are not permitted in class, however if they feel an additional layer is necessary, they may wear these.

Once our website is fully operational this link will have a home there as well.

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HELP NEEDED

SACC AM WORKERS- We are in search for a person to work morning SACC T-TH 6:15-8:00. If you are available or know someone who might be interested please contact Mrs. Talanges at dtalanges@stgermaine.org



YEARBOOK PHOTOS

Remember the more you submit the better our yearbook will be! Submit your photos to:

Stgermaineyearbook@yahoo.com As a reminder include the grade that the pictures are from when you submit! Thanks! As a reminder when submitting photos please list the grades of the students in the pictures.



HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEKEND

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, we will see you Monday!


Colleen



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