

St. Francis de Sales School

Week of February 27, 2024

"Learning & Living our Catholic Faith in the Light of Jesus Christ"



This Week's Events

- **Thursday, Feb 22th**
 - 10:00 am
 - Mass - 4th Grade Leading

Look Ahead

- **March 2nd**
 - History Fair District Competition
- **March 7th**
 - Literacy Night & Bookfair with Paper Pie Books!
- **March 8th**
 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher PD
- **March 13th**
 - PTO Meeting @ 6:00 pm
- **March 22th**
 - Living Stations
- **March 25th-29th**
 - NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
- **April 1st**
 - NO SCHOOL - Easter Monday
- **April 2nd**
 - Classes Resume

52 Club Raffle winners

February 27th, 2024 Winners

\$50.00 - Cathy Rohde
\$25.00 - Marcy Spriks
\$15.00 - Riott Syers
\$10.00 - Ryan McDonough



Mrs. Christine Partyka

Our fourth-grade class is led by the very talented Mrs. Partyka. She is an outdoor enthusiast, and her love of nature is seen as soon as you walk into her plant filled classroom.



Currently in Social Studies, 4th is learning all about the early settlers who traveled from Europe. The kids have really enjoyed learning about the galleon ships and navigational tools they used to make it across the ocean and explore North America.

In science, they are finishing their sound unit. Highlights were creating paper cup telephones and seeing how sound waves effect matter such as sand, salt, and water. They just finished the novel The Trumpet of the Swan, which the kids really enjoyed and they compared it to the 2001 animated film. In Math, they have been rocking with fractions!

Every day is something new because Mrs. Partyka enjoys designing curriculum and creating lessons from scratch that really engage her kids in truly learning the content!



The Good News:

The Super Bowl Can-A-Thon ended Friday with students bringing in over 660 cans/food items!!! **Way to go families!** This donation to St. Vincent Food Pantry, along with the donation from the church, will make a big difference. The 3rd Grade won a pajama party bringing in an impressive 138 items!

Our virtue for February is **Honesty**.

Whoever walks honestly, walks securely, but one whose ways are crooked will fare badly.
Proverbs 10:9



Shepherds of the Week



These students have been following the Fruits of the Spirit and leading their classmates on the path of Virtue and Goodness.

Fantasy Fair



Help us spread the word! The Fantasy Fair Preschool Open House is coming to St. Francis on March 15th from 9:00 am -11:00 am. This is open to any eligible 3-4 year old and their parents/guardians! Call the office to RSVP!

Reminder

- **History Fair** - The District Competition will be held at St. Francis on Saturday, March 2nd.
- **Rice Bowls** - Due back to school March 20th.
- **Popsicle Sale** - March 4th, Builders Club will have popsicles for sale during lunch. **Remember to send your student(s) with \$ Fifty Cents \$!!**
- **BOOK DONATION** - We are taking gently used books from the book walk at Literacy Night.



Last Thursday, St. Francis hosted the Regional Spelling Bee. Students from Big Bay, Manistique, and St. Francis competed. All the students did a fantastic job. We are exceptionally proud of our very own Chase C. who won 1st place for the 6th grade spellers. He will move on to the UP Finals March 13th, 2024, in Negaunee/Ishpeming.

Congrats Chase!!

2ND ANNUAL LITERACY NIGHT AND BOOK FAIR!

Please join the fun on March 7th from 5:30pm - 7:00 pm for this year's Literacy Night, which includes our Book Fair with Paper Pie Books. This is a public event so please invite your friends and family.



There will be games, crafts, popcorn, and a book walk.



We are taking donations of gently used books for the book walk.

This is a great way to clean out those bookcases for the new ones!



- **Snowshoe Club** - Every Tuesday 3:05 pm to 4:15 pm
- **Builders Club** Every Monday at lunchtime
- **Faith Club** Tuesday, March 12th, during 2nd lunch.