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Character Education Quote of the Week:

“Deal with the faults of others as gently as with your own.” – Chinese proverb

NO SCHOOL – There are no classes on Thursday, October 13 and Friday, October 14 due to a teacher inservice.

PHOTO PROOFS – Proofs were distributed today to anyone who had their picture taken on September 13th. If you wish to order photos, this order is due on November 2nd. You are under no obligation to place an order. If you would like to arrange for a retake, a parent must notify the school office.

CONE PATROL – Room 201 is on cone patrol duty the week of 10/10.

MARKET DAY – The next sale is Tuesday, the 18th, with pick-up at 3:00 – 4:00. **Orders are due online by 11:00 PM on Friday, October 14th.** Please call Nancy at 871-0254 with any questions. Thanks to all who purchase Market Day.

VOLLEYBALL FAMILIES - Please check the Snack Stand Schedule (attached) that was originally sent out at the beginning of the season. If you cannot make your shift for whatever the reason, please make arrangements to cover the shift. Some families are having to run the snack stand and admissions table with only two people because others assigned to the shift are not in attendance. If you are running the snack stand and people are missing their shifts, ask another parent to help out and notify the YAC board (Mike Lehman) of the issue.

MARQUETTE HIGH – Will hold an open house on Sunday, October 30th from 10:00 – 1:00. Mass will be offered at 9:00. Entrance exam for all 8th grade boys considering Marquette High will be held on Friday, November 4, 7:30 – 11:30 AM and Saturday, November 5, 8:00 – 11:30 AM. (There is limited seating on November 4th – must call to register). To register for this exam, call Sean O’Brien at 933-7220 or apply online at www.muhs.edu.

CHARACTER EDUCATION PROGRAM KICK-OFF TODAY – We made Character Education an all day event! Ask your children about:

- Mass at 8:15 in church for the annual Character Ed kick-off mass, including the procession of Character Ed. Banners & the blessing of the signed covenants.
- A concert by The Figureheads in the Church Hall
- Mix-It-Up Lunch where students eat with different kids.
- Character Education Shirt Day – wear your Character Ed shirts all day.

More Program details will follow throughout the year.

AGGRESSIVE PARKING CHECKER – Many of you have expressed dismay about the City of Milwaukee parking checker who seems to stake our school daily, looking to write tickets. First, let us advise you to park in LEGAL parking spaces only! We have tried to alert the city that the checker seems to be targeting our school, especially at drop-off & pick-up times, but to no avail.

SCHOOL/PARISH GARDEN UPDATE - You may have noticed some things have changed as you have entered the parking lot these past few months. Our garden is starting to look more like a garden as the weeks continue. This project was started in June of 2010 inspired by the book *Last Child in the Woods* by Richard Louv (pick it up at your local library). Once permission by Mr. Hohl and Fr. Dick was given to use the space and materials (like paving and boarder stones) things began to happen. You may recall our “cardboard carpet” . . . this was used to kill the tall grass and weeds which had made themselves at home in this space. This was one of several things learned from visiting with naturalist Joey Zoecher who was then at Urban Ecology Center.

Months later on Memorial Day 2011 it was time to plant a Dwarf Weeping Mulberry Tree purchased and planted by the Class of 2011 to Honor Paula Krier, a parishioner and school mom who died of cancer in December 2009. As the summer progressed we were able to actualize the plans drawn up for us by avid gardener, school grandmother and High Interest Day veteran, Mary Utschig. These past couple weekends have been devoted to fall planting. Mary, Katie and Mike Utschig have donated plants for the butterfly area and Mary donated several small shrubs. Families and individuals have also donated plants. Mark Krier helped select and split some of Paula’s plants to put near the front. (You will notice a woody sitting area which will envelop students once the plants are established.) Middle school students (mostly sixth grade) have been instrumental in doing much of the work of the garden. Several sixth grade students helped put together the raised beds in the front of the garden as well as the foot path. Milwaukee County made a mulch drop (which took some muscle, a bunch of middle school students, a front end loader and the maintenance crew to move) and 2 weeks ago we found some much needed topsoil via Craigslist. All have come together to make our garden take shape.

Future plans are to build and develop the use of a compost bin and to label the plants. We are also working with a Chippewa woman through Mary to develop a Native American Medicine Wheel in Spring 2012 which will be located in the center of the garden and employ the mosaic tiles which were made at our Gallery Night back in April. A formal dedication will be planned on or around Memorial Day 2012. Some students have asked if our garden should contain a fountain or a bench (both which sound like great class gifts!) Our upcoming project is to plant perennial herbs in our herb area. If you have any herbs or small plants you would be willing to share please respond via email or call. We would need the plants by Monday, October 17. Contact: Leah Sealey at leahsealey@hotmail.com or 774-0836. Thanks to all of you who have transported your students to and from school to help out and for all your kind words and support.

MILWAUKEE BUCKS PB & J CHALLENGE – St. Sebastian School will be participating in the Milwaukee Bucks PB & J Challenge to benefit Feeding America. Every student that donates a plastic jar of peanut butter or jelly will receive a voucher for a special Milwaukee Bucks game and a PB & J t-shirt on game night.

The 3rd graders will be sorting, counting and weighing in the donations because the school with the highest number of pounds collected (based on the number of students in the school) could win \$200 and a visit from Bango, the Buck’s mascot.

Collection boxes will be in each homeroom from October 17 – 28. Don’t forget to put PB & J on your grocery list today!

THANK YOU - St. Coletta Day School would like to thank all their friends from St. Sebastian who helped make 2011 Colettascope a record breaking event. Totals will be posted on our facebook page, St. Coletta Day School of Milwaukee, by the end of the week. Like us on Facebook to see if we reached our goal this year. If you were unable to make it to Colettascope this year you can still contribute by sending in a donation to St. Coletta. There are also limited addition coffee mugs on sale for \$10, which feature artwork created by the students of St. Coletta. So stop by room 101 and pick up a couple mugs and support the students of St. Coletta Day School.

ROSIE READER - Congratulations to the following students for their progress on the Rosie Reader program:

Completing the letter "R" in R-E-A-D-I-N-G:

K4 – Ingrid Berner, Ava Dodridge, Ariel Higgins, Camryn Schenk, Jailynn Struck, and Kailynn Struck

K5 – Elizabeth Hicks and Cate Mills

Completing the letter "A" in R-E-A-D-I-N-G:

K5 – Natalie Watry

Great job to all and keep reading!!



2011-12 Volleyball Snack Stand/Admissions Table Schedule



Friday Sept. 9	Saturday Sept. 10	Friday Sept. 16 th	Saturday Sept. 17 th	Saturday Sept. 24 th	Friday Sept. 30 th
5:30-10:00 p.m.	8 - 1	5:30-10:15 p.m.	9 - 1	12 - 6:15	5:30 - 9:15
Desotelle Pruns Dorschner Gorman	Blasi Watry LaMothe	Park Villa Schumacher (Zachary) Weigel	Cappon Deleiden Durian Walker (Meg)	<u>12 - 3p.m.</u> Villa Falk McCauley <u>3 - 6:15 p.m.</u> Walker (Ronaja) Zaffiro Walsh	Ramos Lehman Mabbett
Saturday Oct. 1 st	Saturday Oct. 8 th	Friday Oct. 14 th	Saturday Oct. 15 th	Friday Oct. 21 st	Saturday Oct. 22 nd
9 - 4:15	8 - 5:15	5:30-10:15 p.m.	12 - 4:15	5:30 - 9:15	8 - 7:15
<u>9 - 1</u> Ewig Howard Kuhn Sealey Tellis <u>1 - 4:15p.m.</u> Roszina Utschig McCauley Kopchinski Lee (Olivia)	<u>8 - 11</u> Bidwell Wall Jusino Moe <u>11 - 2:00</u> Pyant Baumeister Helbig (Mia) Hairston <u>2 - 5:15</u> Ogorek Marcoux Arango Crampton	Kozina Radakovich Maheel Baudhuin	Barry (Chanel) Barrett Burzynski Lapp Wells (Malia)	Roszina Maheel Zeidler Cappon	<u>8 - 11</u> Baudhuin Ibanez-Balder(Anaya) Keppler Matthai (Natalie) <u>11 - 3:00</u> Maglio Mastrogiovanni- Washington Cayen Lipscomb <u>3 - 7:15</u> Summerfield Hug Schumacher (Allison) Tate
Friday Oct. 28 th			Saturday Oct. 29 th		
5:30-8:30 p.m.			12 - 6:15		
Conklin Camacho			<u>12 - 3p.m.</u> Garza-Stafanczyk Perleberg Brame <u>3 - 6:15 p.m.</u> Pyant Soleski Lee (Victoria)		

(And any of your team parents willing to volunteer - you are the only St. Sebs team on this night and all parents have done their shifts)



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Home & School Newsletter



October 2011 

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, October 12th
Character Ed Kickoff

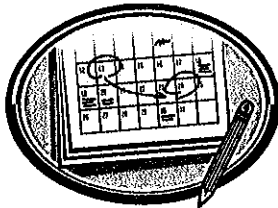
Tuesday, October 18th
Market Day Pick-up

Friday, October 28th
Fizz & Fellowship – Parking Lot after
Halloween Parade

Friday, November 4th
Fish Fry (sit down)

November 7th – 10th
Fall Book Fair – School Library

Wednesday, November 16th
Home & School Meeting 6:30pm – Teacher's
Lounge



Free Daisy Scout Uniform

Includes: Daisy Scout T-shirt,
Sweatshirt, Knit Pants
If interested, contact Kim Nistler at
(414) 217-6711 or
kim_nistler@yahoo.com

For Sale

2 Condos in Minocqua

If interested, please contact Kim
Nistler for more information at (414)
217-6711 or kim_nistler@yahoo.com

PIANO

Beautiful, used upright piano for
sale. Cared for lovingly by two Ewig
families. Willing to part with this
treasure for only \$100. Contact
Laura Ewig, 414/442-8956 or
ewig@att.net if interested.

Need to post something? Contact us.

This is your resource too so feel free to use it. If you would like to take advantage of this, please email Kim Nistler at kim_nistler@yahoo.com. Information is due the third Wednesday of every month.

St. Sebastian Home and School Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2011

Attendance: Dana Biasi, Jen Heidenreich, Principal Hohl, Rebecca Keiser, Julie Kennedy, Clay Mathews, Maria Melendes Kim Nistler, Trish Radocha, Gloria Rios, Rob Stephenson, Patty Walsh, Assistant Principal Warner, Turquoise Welch-Loera

Call to Order: Dana Biasi called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Prayer and snacks were provided by Patty Walsh.

Review of Minutes: September 2011 minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report - Rebecca Keiser

- Rebecca distributed and discussed the Treasurer's Report to all H&S committee members.
- Rebecca reported that Mrs. Hartley and Mrs. Lionberg applied for a mini grant for a new projector which was approved. Dana suggested that all the teachers be reminded and informed about the mini grant program.
- The new teachers were excited about and appreciative of the complimentary Character Education t-shirts.

Principal's Report – Paul Hohl

- School enrollment is currently at 371 students which is approximately 50 more students than last year. It was reported that 49% of the students are Choice students, and 78% of the students are Catholic and 22% are non-Catholic which mirrors the last few years.
- Principal Hohl discussed the, "Sustaining the Mission" program. This is a faith formation program for educators in Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. The new program is scheduled for teacher in-service days as schools partner for shared professional development and religious education certification. To learn more about the "Sustaining the Mission" program go to: http://www.stitch.edu/Community_Ties/Saint_Clare_Center/Sustaining_the_Mission.aspx.
- A handout on the 2011-2012 Character Education Program was distributed to H&S. Principal Hohl, Asst. Principal Warner, and school psychologist, Jennifer Skinner have the lead roles in the planning of the program. Character Education kickoff day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12th as part of the all school mass.

Ongoing/Upcoming Events

- **Wednesday, October 12, 2011 – Character Ed kickoff**
- **Tuesday, October 18, 2011 – Market Day pick up**
- **Friday, October 28, 2011 – Parking lot - "Fizz & Fellowship"**

Chairs Reports

Time and Talent - Turquoise Welch-Loera

- The Pathfinder Book has been updated. Turquoise discussed the changes made to it and that it will be submitted to Carrie Pruhs and Pat Fredericks for publication.
- Cheerleading is going well and the cheerleaders will be performing their routine in early December. They will also be cheering at boys' and girls' games this year.

Fun and Fellowship – Gloria Rios

- The Parent Coffee at Cranky Al's was not as well attended as expected. Discussion ensued about changing the day from Tuesday to Friday mornings to get a bigger turnout.
- The next Parent Coffee (a.k.a. Fizz & Fellowship) will be Friday, October 28th after the Halloween parade.
- Jennifer O'Neil is set for the Teacher Dinner in November.
- Volunteers are needed for Grandparents' Day and Teacher Appreciation Week. If interested, please contact Gloria Rios.

- People who signed up for Dessert of the Month, which is an item in the voice auction in October, will be contacted soon as to which month they would like to deliver their dessert to the lucky winner.

Faith and Academics – Jen Heidenreich

- The “Readers are Leaders” and “Rosie Reader” programs are up and running.
- Lunch Bunch, headed by Leah Sealey, is up and running and will be every third Friday.
- High Interest Day is scheduled for April 20th. The committee has already had its first meeting, and is surveying past presenters about interest in returning.

Loaves and Fishes – Julie Kennedy

- Julie created a new Market Day video which has been posted on Facebook.
- The middle school students will be assisting Julie in assembling the Painless Fundraising baggies to be distributed to all school families. The goal this year is to get more gym mats for Ms. Zimmerman.
- The fall book fair is November 7th through November 10th.
- The Ministry Fair is scheduled for October 16th in the church hall. Dana will be manning the Home & School table at this event.

Fish Fry – Rob Stephenson

- The first Fish Fry is October 7th. It is the 4th grade Fish Fry, and response from the 4th grade families has been great, in terms of volunteering.
- Teachers received Fish Fry gift certificates, and Fish Fry has donated gift certificates to Colettascope and the Auction. Thanks You!!

Grade Liaisons Report - Nothing to Report.

- The Grade Liaisons for this year are as follows:

K4- Maria Melendes

K5-Jen Heidenreich

1st-Willaims/Zakian

2nd-Katie Suminski and Maggie Hardy (you may choose to each take a class or work together)

3rd-TBD

4th-Trish Radocha and Novatny (you may choose to each take a class or work together)

5th Donna Dorchner

6th Tracy Weigel

7th Chris Marcoux

8th Lee and Melanie McCauley (you may choose to each take a class or work together)

Chair Report– Dana Biasi

- Dana explained as to why the original plan to have 4 school wide auction baskets was changed to each grade having its own auction basket.
- The Buzz Book has been sent to printer and should be out soon. A HUGE thank you to Katie Utschig and Maggie Hardy for doing this year’s book; it is most appreciated.

Other Business

Dana adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 6:30 pm in the Teacher’s Lounge. Prayer and snack will be provided by Heather Koppa.

Volunteer Quote of the Month:

The heart of the volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make the difference in the lives of others.

-DeAnn Hollis

St. Sebastian Education Committee Meeting Minutes for September 1, 2011 and Comment Form

Present: Paul Hohl, Joel Kennedy, Kristin Koch, Clair Mitchell, Kevin Mullén, Bill Pauers, Leah Sealey, Sherri Walker, and Shannon Watry

Absent / Excused: Donna Dorschner, Robin Gorman, Melinda Runnoe, and Cheryl Warner

Minutes: August 11 Minutes reviewed; changes made.

Parish Council Retreat: A joint parish council and pastoral staff retreat was held with cluster parish partner St. Catherine's last month. Participants were pleased and felt the meeting was a success. During the retreat, the two parishes identified four work areas to be addressed in the coming months:

- 1) Defining us – our common identity
- 2) Communicating with parishioners
- 3) Envisioning the westside Churches
- 4) Exploring common outreach

Future combined meetings will be held to work on these topic areas.

Parish Council Meeting: Leah Sealey, Education Committee representative to the Council, provided an update on the 8/29 meeting. Paul Hohl reported on the new School Choice rules and the impacts on the study body and budget. The Parish Council retreat was discussed as well as the new conceal and carry gun law and it's affects on the parish and school.

Principal's Report

First Week Debriefing: 2011-12 Enrollment (as of 8/29/2011): 373 Total students. This number will changes a bit during the month of September.

Grade Enrollment:

K4	33	4	47
K5	36	5	32
1	30	6	45
2	36	7	47
3	24	8	43

The first week is going very smoothly. New teachers have hit the ground running thanks to their own experience and the mentoring done by current St. Sebastian teachers. Due to the addition of 4K afternoon class and a second 5K class, a few minor glitches occurred during dismissal but have been resolved.

School Choice Program:

This past spring the state legislators significantly changed the requirements for the School Choice program. The biggest changes included increasing the financial eligibility requirements for families. As a result nearly 30 current and registered families enrolled in the choice program at St. Sebastian while 22 families new to the school were added during August. During September, staff will work to finalize all August Choice student applications and ensure compliance with all Choice requirements.

Accreditation Update: The process continues and a Leadership Team is being recruited. Two to three Education Committee members are needed.

ST. SEBASTIAN'S BUNDLE SUNDAY

9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER '23

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHARITABLE DONATIONS OF GENTLY USED CLOTHING.

LET ST. VINCENT DE PAUL RECYCLE YOUR ITEMS BACK INTO USE. THEY WILL BE GIVEN TO THE POOR OR SOLD AT A FRACTION OF THEIR ORIGINAL COST. THE PROCEEDS OF ALL SALES SUPPORT SVDP'S MANY SPECIAL WORKS.

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PICTURES
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TOYS AND GAMES
SMALL APPLIANCES
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SMALL FURNITURE
RECORDS AND TAPES

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ITEMS WE GLADLY ACCEPT

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(under 5 years old)
Electric Dryer, Electric
Stoves, Small Chest
Freezers, Refrigerators

Baby Items

(under 10 years old)
Baby Swings, Baby
Walkers, Changing
Tables, Cribs, Highchairs,
Playpens, Strollers

Books / Movies

CD's, Records, Hardcover
& Paperback Books,
Magazines, VHS Tapes,
DVD's

Clothing

All Types of Clothing
Belts, Ties, Hats, Gloves,
Jewelry, Purses Scarves &
Shoes

Collectibles

Giftware, Knick Knacks

Electronics

Air Conditioners,
Computers (under 5 years
old)

Microwaves, Portable
TV's, Stereos & Radios,
Vacuums, VCR's & DVD's

Medical Equipment

Crutches, Canes,
Shower Chairs, Toilet Seat
Risers, Walkers &
Wheelchairs

Furniture

Bedframes, Bookcases,
Box Springs & mattresses,
Carpets & Rugs, Chairs,
Chest of Drawers, Cocktail
Tables, Couches,
Credenzas, Dining Room
Tables & Chairs, Dressers,
End Tables, Small 2
Drawer File Cabinets,
Headboards, Mirrors,
Night Stands, Office
Chairs, Patio Furniture,
Table & Floor Lamps, TV
Stands, Wall Hangings &
Pictures

Housewares

Artificial Plants, Bedding,
Bicycles, Christmas Items,
Cooking Utensils, Cups,
Saucers, Curtains, Drapes,
Curtain Rods, Dishes,
Eating Utensils,
Glassware, Ironing
Boards, Magazine Racks,
Plant Stands, Pots & Pans,
Serving Dishes, Sewing
Machines, Small
Appliances, Sporting
Goods, Suitcases, Towels
& Yard Tools

Toys

(clean & gently used)
Games, Puzzles &
Stuffed Animals

ITEMS WE CAN'T ACCEPT

Basket Ball Hoops	Pool Tables
Bowling Balls	Snow Blowers
Building Supplies	Gas Stoves
Car Seats	Swing Sets
Cleaning Supplies	Text Books
Computers	Trophies
(older then 5 years or network)	Washers
Conference Tables	Waterbeds
Console Stereos & Radios	Windows
Console TV's	Large Appliances (over 5 years old)
Cookie Tins	
Copy Machines	
Desks	
Dishwashers	
Display cabinets	
Doors	
Gas Dryers	
Encyclopedias	
Entertainment Centers	
Exercise Equipment	
File Cabinets	
(with more than 2 drawers)	
Large Freezers	
Lawn Mowers	
Library Books	
Hangers	
Hot Water Heaters	
Hospital Beds	
Office particians / Room	
Dividers	
Organs	
Paint	
Pianos	
Ping Pong Tables	