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Character Education Quote of the Week:
"God has entrusted me with myself" – Epictetus

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS ARE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY. TODAY ONLY THE MAIL CARRIER OF EVERY FAMILY WILL RECEIVE A PAPER COPY – IN AN EFFORT TO GO PAPERLESS, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO READ THE NEWSLETTERS ONLINE. AT OUR WEBSITE, <http://www.saintsebastianonline.net> YOU CAN SIGN UP TO HAVE NEWSLETTERS AND OTHER NOTICES E-MAILED TO YOU. **PLEASE NOTIFY THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE A PAPER COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER SENT HOME WITH YOUR FAMILY MAIL CARRIER EACH WEDNESDAY.**

MANDATORY ALL PARENT MEETING – The mandatory all parent meeting is Wednesday, September 7 in the church hall at 6:30. Agenda items include meeting the school staff, the new Choice Program, MAP testing, the school accreditation process, and news and information from both Home & School and Education Committee. Snacks and refreshments will be provided by Home & School. Please no children.

NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY – Monday September 5 is Labor Day.

FIRST ALL SCHOOL MASS – Wednesday, September 8 at 8:15 in Church – all parents are invited and please sit with your children and his/her class.

MAGAZINE SALE – Kick-off to the Home & School magazine sale was yesterday. Students have information and sales packets. The first Turn-In Day is Tuesday, September 6, with September 9 and the final turn-in day of September 15. Get selling and earn those awesome prizes!

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH – The application for free and reduced lunches is attached to this newsletter. If your family qualifies, please return the completed form as soon as possible.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS – Today, August 31, all middle school students participated in a Middle School Covenant Leadership Workshop. Students gathered in the church hall from 8:00 – 9:15 to discuss their unique leadership roles in our school and to be reminded how our school Covenant offers them invaluable tools to help them be better leaders. Mr. Hohl introduced the many new middle school students and encouraged returning students to invite them into the community. A big thanks to middle school classroom teachers, Mr. Hohl, Ms. Zimmerman

DRESS CODE / UNIFORM STARTS TUESDAY – School uniforms begin Tuesday, Sept. 6. Until then non-uniform days still have our dress code – such as sandals with straps, socks, no tank tops or sleeveless shirts, etc. Also avoid current fashion fads in both uniform and non-uniform days such as but not limited to:

- feathers in hair
- jewelry, rings and/or nail polish – remember that students are limited to a simple necklace with a cross or religious symbol and/or two rubber bracelets such as WWJD or LiveStrong.
- ripped jeans or pants
- painted, splashed or tie-dyed jeans or pants
- wrap-braids in hair
- off-the-shoulder shirts
- tight or short shorts/skirts

For more dress code information, refer to the pink sheet dress code from the July back-to-school packet, stop at the office for a copy, or check the school website.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR MORNING DROP-OFF – Our parent volunteers are happy to offer their services for the morning Drop-Off lane. It has helped to ease our busy morning routines. If you are finding the time you are choosing to come to school too hectic, you may want to adjust your schedule to come earlier. If your child is chronically tardy you may want to consider joining the parking lot crew – it's a sure way of getting your child to school on time since our duties begin at 7:40 AM (and end at 8:10 AM). Call Leah Sealey at 774-0836 if you are interested.

These are some errors that have occurred in the past that you should be aware of:

- **Pulling into the parking lot too fast.**
- **Cell phone in use.** We need your full attention.
- **Not pulling up far enough to the end of the drop off lane or letting your child off before reaching the drop off lane.** Go as close to the end of the drop off lane as possible. Your children can be dropped off *anytime you are in the coned area* so if you are unable to get to the very end of the lane, that's okay, simply let them out once safe inside the coned area. But remember, cars come in sporadically so if you stop prematurely, you could be causing a back up.
- **Stopping your car in the crosswalk.** Keep the area between the two flags clear for pedestrians.
- **Letting your child(ren) come to the crosswalk alone after you have parked in the lot.** Drivers have difficulty seeing your child, if you don't need to come to school, simply use the drop off lane as it is safer than having your child walk alone through the parking lot. If you do not need to come into the school, let your child know that they must wait for you.
- **Child not ready to get out of car.**
- **Child is getting out on the driver's side instead of the passenger's side.**
- **Driver is getting out of the car.**
- **Waiting in the drop-off lane to watch your child get in line or enter the school.** This backs up traffic and defeats the purpose of the drop off lane. If you or your child is concerned about getting into the correct line, park and escort your child to his/her line until he/she is comfortable in doing so alone. We have several parents and our assistant principal in the area, so your child will be guided if necessary.
- **Using an unmarked space in the parking lot.** This action makes it difficult for others to exit the parking lot –park on the street if necessary or make another loop around the block and try again.

We hope you appreciate the convenience of the Drop-Off lane and hope that you and your child(ren) will use it safely throughout the school year.

For the morning parking lot map, refer to the purple map from the July back-to-school packet, stop at the office for a copy, or check the school website.

WE'RE OFF TO SEE THE WIZARD – Soon that famous tune will be a household song for 50 to 60 St. Sebastian families as our school theatre enters its twentieth year with a production of THE WIZARD OF OZ. All St. Sebastian students and parishioners in 3rd through 8th grade are invited to try out for one of the most memorable musicals ever.

Try-outs will be held in the church hall on Wednesday, September 7 from 2:45 to 5:00 PM and again in the CHURCH from 6:30 to 8:30 PM the same night. Students may come either to the afternoon or the evening try-outs. Please direct questions to the directors, David and Kathy Kirkpatrick (414-774-6963). So, put some stuffing in your arms, oil in your voice, tap those red shoes together and muster up the courage to follow the yellow brick road on September 7 and try-out for THE WIZARD OF OZ.

Performances will be Friday and Saturday, November 11 and 12.

COMING SOON... – School picture day is September 13. Details will be available next Wednesday.

NO ELECTRONICS – Remember St. Sebastian School has a no electronics policy, including CELL PHONES. Electronics will be taken and given to Mr. Hohl or Mrs. Warner and parents will have to pick them up in the office.

PEER MENTORING PROGRAM

Attention 6th grade parents! This program is in place for students who are struggling with the increased organizational demands of middle school. If you are finding your child is coming home with a blank assignment notebook, or they forget their materials to complete their homework, this program is for them! Mrs. Warner will organize and match your child with a responsible 8th grade student. Each day, the 8th grade mentor will come into your child's homeroom and help them organize their assignment notebook and backpack. Your child may be "nominated" for this program by either you (the parent) or their homeroom teacher. Please contact Mrs. Warner if you are interested.

NO PARKING – Please be aware that from the hours of 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM there is no driving or parking on the playground. These are the times that the students have recess and the gates are closed to car traffic. You might want to remind anyone picking up your child during those times. There is street parking if you are going on field trips or staying for a longer period of time in the building. Thank you for keeping the children safe.

WANTED: People that love books and working with children!

Please consider volunteering in the school library.

We are in need of volunteers on:

- Monday mornings (8:00 am – 12:00 pm)
- Tuesday afternoons (1:00 pm – 3:00 pm)
- Wednesday mornings (9:00 am – 12:00 pm)
- Wednesday afternoons (12:30 pm – 3:00 pm)
- Friday mornings (8:00 am – 12:00 pm)
- Friday afternoons (12:30 pm – 3:00 pm)

Contact Stacey Rebholz at rebholz@archmil.org if you are interested in being a library volunteer. Please indicate the days and times you are available. Thank you very much!

An Invitation to Attend "United We Stand" on September 11, 2011

St. Sebastian parishioner and school parent Rebecca Whitney will appear as the soprano soloist in *United We Stand*, a free commemorative concert event, on Sunday, September 11, 2011 at 3:00 PM in Cathedral Square Park, in honor of the victims, heroes, and first responders of September 11th. The program, presented by Bel Canto Chorus and the Milwaukee Chamber Orchestra, includes Mozart's *Requiem* and Barber's "Adagio for Strings".

The Milwaukee Fire Department Honor Guard will present the colors in a processional march, and faith leaders from the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee will present an invocation, reflections, and prayer for the future. Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett will welcome those gathered in the park.

A patriotic prelude featuring the Midwest Vocal Express male a cappella chorus and the Bel Canto Boy Choirs will begin at 2:15 PM. Audience members will also have an opportunity to make a prayer flag with wishes of remembrance, peace, hope, healing, or understanding, organized by the Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee.


The concert is free and open to the public, and audience members are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs in order to enjoy this concert event. Premium tickets are also available for purchase.

Milwaukee Public Television (MPTV) will present a live broadcast of the concert on channel MPTV 10.1, and a rebroadcast at 6:30 PM on MPTV 36.1. Wisconsin Public Television will air the performance statewide on WPT at 3:00 PM, and on The Wisconsin Channel at 8:00 PM.

For more information, please call 414.481.8801 or visit www.belcanto.org.

St. Sebastian Lunch Menu September 2011

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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<p>5 No Lunch</p>	<p>6 Hamburger w/ Bun <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>7 Chicken Pot Pie* <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>1 Chicken Patty w/ Bun <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p> 	<p>2 Pizza <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>
<p>12 Mini Corn Dogs <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>13 Taco Salad <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>14 All Beef Hot Dogs <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>15 Chicken Nuggets <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>9 Fish Sticks <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>
<p>19 Lunch Brunch <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>20 Turkey Deli <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>21 Sloppy Joes* <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>22 Fajitas <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>16 Grilled Cheese/whole wheat <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>
<p>26 Ravioli <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>27 Smart Pizza <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>28 Popcorn Chicken <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>29 Chicken Patty w/ Bun <u>OR</u> Salad-To-Go <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>	<p>23 Appetizer Platter <u>Choose Any Two</u> Vegetables Fruits</p>
<p>30 No Lunch</p>				

LUNCH PRICES

- Grades K-5 \$2.65
- Grades 6-8 \$2.95
- Reduced 0.40¢
- Milk 0.50¢

* Fresh fruits & vegetables are served daily.
* Yogurt with fresh fruit is offered as a main entree 1-2 times/week.

Menu may change due to availability of food items
*Indicates Homemade
Cafe Phone# 414-453-6850

DRESS CODE

The dress code at St. Sebastian School is established by the Education Committee and it is intended to reflect the simplicity of a Christian lifestyle.

The dress code applies to all students enrolled in first through eighth grades. “**Non-Uniform**” days may be designated by the school principal or Student Council. Typically there are two “**Non-Uniform**” days per month. Periodically a “special colors” (red and white) or another “ special dress ” day may also be added. These days are chosen by the School Principal.

When the dress code is in effect, students are to wear the following:

Tops: *white, powder/baby blue, navy blue or cardinal red shirts, shirts/blouses with a collar or turtlenecks in short or long sleeves.

*A plain white t-shirt (with no visible logo) worn underneath a uniform shirt, blouse or turtleneck is considered underclothing and should be tucked in.

*A solid colored navy, powder/baby blue, cardinal red or white hoodless sweater, sweater vest or sweatshirt may be worn, **as long as there is a collared, tucked in uniform shirt underneath.**

*“St. Sebastian School” is the only acceptable logo

Bottoms: *Slacks worn by both boys and girls are to be plain and tailored with a hem or a cuff. Slacks must be ankle length solid navy blue in classic material such as twill, tailored knit (hems, pockets, etc.) or corduroy.

*No drawstring waistbands or ties will be allowed anywhere on the pants.

*These are **not** permitted: denim, jean, non-tailored knit, parachute, fleece, terrycloth, or nylon material; a contrasting color of top-stitching or stripes; stirrups, yoga pants, leggings, deck pants, wind pants, tear away/breakaway pants, pedal pushers, hip-huggers or low-riders; monograms or decorative emblems; bib overalls, sleeping pants, or sweatpants.

Dresses/skirts:* girls may wear a navy blue jumper, skirt, or skort that has no slits and is appropriate and **modest in length. *The school principal or assistant principal have the final word on inappropriateness and modesty regarding dress code clothing.*

Footwear: *Shoes and socks must be worn. Shoes are defined as closed toes and solid back with appropriate heels. Socks must be above the ankle.

*Sandals **with straps or backs** may be worn before October 15th and after April 15th as long as they are worn with socks.

*Leggings may not be worn under a skirt as tights.

*Solid navy, white or red tights or socks may be worn.

Jewelry: *Post earrings without dangles and a single Christian necklace are permitted.

*No bracelets are permitted.

*A maximum of 2 rubber bracelets are allowed, such as the WWJD Character Ed type.

* No rings are permitted.

Parent support at home is crucial with a reasonable and acceptable dress code. Please check student dress before they leave home

To accommodate for warm weather days, all students may wear **appropriate** navy blue dress or cargo shorts (not gym, soccer or “biker “ shorts) and a shirt with sleeves prior to October 15th and after April 15th. Sandals **with straps or backs to them** are allowed only during this time with socks. **Socks must also be above the ankle.**

Items not permitted under the dress code include:

* Sleeveless shirts or tank tops

* T- shirts or tops with emblems, logos or colored trim (including underclothing)

* Wearing clothing inside out

* Dangling earrings or necklaces (NOTE: Earrings are limited to posts)

However, since we are a Catholic school, it will be acceptable for any student to wear a single Christian necklace if the family desires this.

* Make-up, lipstick, colored nail polish or hair, stickers, facial glitter, tattoos, body writing, etc.

* Items related to clothing fads that are inappropriate uniform attire (platform shoes, “jellies “, bell bottom pants, wallet chain, etc.)

*Mini-skirts, hip-huggers, and bare-midriiffs.

Casual clothes, such as appropriate jeans and a shirt with sleeves, or “dress up” clothes are acceptable on “**Non-Uniform**” days.

All clothing must be clean and in good repair on any school day. Students are encouraged to think of the “dress code “ as a way to develop life long skills in presenting one’s self at school, work, etc.

Parents will be called by the school office to bring appropriate clothes if a student is wearing inappropriate or distasteful clothing to school. The student may not be able to return to class until conforming to the dress code. The classroom teacher, school principal, assistant principal and parents will develop a plan of action for a student if there are more than three occurrences in dress code violation. Parent cooperation is necessary to maintain a uniform dress code. It is the parents’ responsibility to assure that the uniform regulations are closely followed so that class time is not taken for teachers to remind and enforce adherence to the dress code.

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING RESALE



**CHILDREN'S CLOTHING, ACCESSORIES,
SPORTS GEAR, BABY CLOTHING,
EQUIPMENT, BABY FURNITURE**
RESALE HOTLINE: (414) 258-4160 ext 47

Clothing SELLER Registration

Wed. Sept. 7 2:00 - 4:00 pm

6:00 - 8:00 pm

Tues. Sept. 13 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Thurs. Sept. 15 6:00 - 8:00 pm

60% of sale price to Seller

40% to Christ King School

\$7.00 registration fee ^{\$}

(* Save \$ 1.⁰⁰ Register for BOTH Sales)

Clothing Drop-Off

Wed. Sept. 21 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Thurs. Sept. 22 8:00 - 11:00 am

5:00 - 6:30 pm

Seller pick-Up - Unsold Items

Mon. Sept. 26 3 - 4 pm & 6 - 8 pm

Toy SELLER Registration

Wed. Oct. 26 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Tues. Nov 1 6:00 - 7:30 pm

60% of sale price to Seller: 40% to School

\$7.00 registration fee ^{\$}

(* Save \$ 1.⁰⁰ Register for BOTH Sales)

Toy Drop-Off

Thurs. Nov. 10 5:00 - 9:00 pm

Fri. Nov. 11 8:00 - 9:30 am

Seller pick-Up - Unsold Items

Mon. Nov. 14 3 - 4 pm & 6 - 8 pm

**For Safety reasons, children and/or infants are not allowed
at the Clothing Resale on Friday evening.**

Children are welcome to attend the Clothing Resale on Saturday.

Distribution of Entry Numbers will begin at 4:30 Friday for both Clothing and Toy Resales.