



# ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

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### Character Education Quote of the Week:

"Who you are speaks so loudly I can't hear what you're saying" – Ralph Waldo Emerson

**ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND PARENTS** – There will be a very important meeting for all middle school students **AND** their parents who are interested in being on our **AWARD WINNING** forensic team on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the **CHURCH**. Forensics at St. Sebastian is a family supported activity so it is essential that at least one parent attend the meeting with their student. The program will be explained, schedules handed out, and parents will learn what volunteer needs we have such as drivers, judges and lunch bunch coaches. Students need the registration materials and the season schedule, which will both be handed out at the meeting. Please contact the coaches, Kathy Kirkpatrick (774-6963) and Pat Russell (771-9342) with any questions.

Forensics is not only fun, but very worthwhile, providing you with valuable skills for the rest of your life. Be part of this fabulous experience. **COME AND JOIN THE ST. SEBASTIAN FORENSIC TEAM.** See you Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**ROOM 206** – Mrs. Lofy's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class received a thank you letter from the Veterans Administration Medical Center for the cards they made in honor of Veteran's Day. The art work and messages brought a smile to the patients and staff.

**PINNOCHIO T-SHIRTS** – Pinnocchio t-shirts will be distributed on Monday, November 30 to the students who placed an order.

**CONE PATROL** – Room 202 is on duty next week.

**NO SCHOOL** – There is a half day today with dismissal at 11:30, then no school on Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving holiday. School will resume on Monday, November 30. Enjoy your holiday break!

**COLD WEATHER RECESS POLICY** – It is starting to get cold outside! Please be sure your child is dressed accordingly to be out in the cold weather. When the temperature or the wind chill is at or below 0, the students will be kept indoors for recess.

**SCHOOL CLOSING POLICY** - If Milwaukee Public Schools or Wauwatosa Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather, this means that St. Sebastian School is also closed. Please check television or radio announcements, or look on-line for school closings. Please note: St. Sebastian School will not be listed by name unless there is some unique emergency, other than weather, that would necessitate the cancellation of classes for the day.

If bad weather develops during the course of the school day, St. Sebastian School will not close early. If parents have a concern, they are welcome to arrange to pick up their child early.

**CHARACTER EDUCATION SHIRT ORDERS** – The final chance to order Character Ed shirts was sent home Monday and are due Dec. 1. Included are T-shirts, long-sleeve T-shirts and sweatshirts. The Character Ed shirts can be worn on Mondays and non-uniform days.

**YAC FEES** -This is just a reminder from the St. Sebastian Youth Athletic Committee to make sure that fee payments are up to date. Fees should be submitted to the YAC mailbox in the office, and not to a coach. You may contact the Registration Coordinator, Derik Summerfield (414-426-5476 or [dsummerfield@wi.rr.com](mailto:dsummerfield@wi.rr.com)) for a payment plan option as well. Failure to turn in fees may result in disallowing participation in league games.

**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- T.J. Bingham-Tyson

K4- Lauren Parker

K4- Nevan Kearney

K5- Michael Whitney

Completing the letter E:

K4- Josephine Pruhs

K5- Elsa Berner

Great job to all and keep reading!

**MUSIC AT ST. SEBASTIANS - SAVE THE DATES** – Our all school Christmas Concert is scheduled for Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. Details will be in the newsletter when the event is closer.

On Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> our Middle School Choir will sing the national anthem at the Marquette game at the Bradley Center at 7:00 as part of Catholic Schools Week. Discount ticket order forms will be coming after Thanksgiving.

**HOME & SCHOOL** – The next committee meeting has been moved from December 9 to December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Home and School Agenda  
Wednesday, December 2, 2009  
6:30pm Teacher's Lounge

1. Prayer - Julie Bauduin    Snack - Tamara Smith
2. Welcome and Introductions - Patty Walsh
3. Review of October minutes - Laura Ewig
4. Treasurer's Report - Shelly DePalma
5. Principal's Report - Paul Hohl
6. Chair Reports -
  - Time and Talent - Dana Biasi
  - Fun and Fellowship - Lorinda Smrz
  - Faith and Academics - Tracey Weigel
  - Loaves and Fishes - Cara Bidwell
  - Fish Fry - Rachel Lustig
7. Chair Reports - Patty Walsh

Upcoming Events: December 4th - Fish Fry  
December 15<sup>th</sup> - Market Day  
January 8<sup>th</sup> - Fish Fry

**THANKSGIVING MASS** – St. Sebastian parish will have mass Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

**SPIRIT WEAR SALE EXTENDED-** We have extended the deadline to put in spirit wear orders until December 1<sup>st</sup>, so please get the orders in by then. The pick-up date will still be on December 15<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria. This is a Marketday pick-up as well, so items will be ready for you in the cafeteria. Julie Baudhuin will be out of town Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>-Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>, but you can reach her at 414-840-8708 with questions.

**FRY KIDS** - Fish Fry Coordinators are still in need of fine helpers. This is a great chance to earn service earning points. If you are interested and you wanna be a part of the fun please contact Mrs. Koch at either 364-3613 or email @ [christinekoch@att.net](mailto:christinekoch@att.net) Thank You and Fish Fry Rocks!!!

**CHRISTMAS DRIVE** – Student council is sponsoring a collection for Catholic Charities, who gives to those in need around the area. The drive will run from November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 11<sup>th</sup>. Please see the attached flyer for all of the items needed. Do NOT wrap any of the donated items. Thank you for your generosity!

**LAST CHANCE** – For Character Ed shirts this school year! Order forms for Character Ed shirts went home on Monday. Please send orders to the school office no later than Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. Orders will be delivered December 15<sup>th</sup>. Great christmas present idea! Questions – contact Tracey Weigel at [traceyweigel@gmail.com](mailto:traceyweigel@gmail.com)

**THINK GLOBALLY. SHOP LOCALLY. SUPPORT TEOSINTE** - The Teosinte Committee will be selling handmade crafts from El Salvador after all masses Sunday, December 6th. From 9:00 a.m. – Noon they will be located in the Church Hall. After the 6:00 p.m. mass you will find them in the Multipurpose Room. Please stop by to check out the many wooden crafts and ornaments along with the colorful fabric items which are hand-made by the Teosinte Women's Workshop. You will find many unique gift ideas. Every time you purchase an item made in Teosinte it is a small step in helping that community eventually become self-sufficient.

**THANK YOU** – The girls from Troop 1294 would like to thank everyone who helped with the “Adopt a classroom” drive last week. We are off to a great start in helping to make the classroom experience for these kids a lot easier. If you would still like to make a donation, the girls will be available after each mass this Sunday.