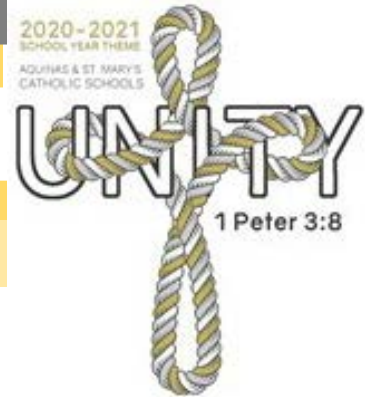




Friday Notes



COVID Update

Per our school administrator call this morning with Four Corners Health Department: Our region is still in **yellow**, so their recommendation remains yellow for our school. Detailed information available at fourcorners.ne.gov.

No big changes this week. **Our overall risk number has stayed the same.** All of our protocols for sanitizing, masking, and distancing remain in place.

*Please wash masks and water bottles.

FREE masks from CHI Health are coming home today. They may fit students or parents may use.

Upcoming Events:
Mid-Qtr. progress reports will come home on Wed.

Fri: Spirit Day! Wear your St. Mary's shirt and fun bottoms. Must go past finger tips and not be tight.

*If you are attending any sporting events, the teams ask for children to stay with their parents. If they choose to sit together, they will need to distance or wear masks, same rules as parents and at school. Please do not bring balls to throw around at the games. Masks are recommended when you cannot distance.
www.aquinas-catholic.com

Help Needed

Even on this year of uncertainty, volunteers remain a certainty. We have lined up some of our current needs and would ask you to prayerfully consider any help you could offer.

St. Mary's Council Members from the following parishes. Members attend 4 meetings per year at 6:30 PM on the 3rd Wed. for a period of 3 years.

- Sacred Heart
- St. Joseph's
- Assumption-Appleton
- Immaculate Conception

Facilities committee: walk the school building and grounds 1-2 times per year and make recommendations

Treats: You may send birthday treats with your child, please have them pre-packaged as they will travel home after school.

Lunch: You may come have lunch with your child. We will use our visitor policy, which is **mask** (except when eating), **sanitize**, and **temp check**. **Lunch times are now: 11:10-11:40 (K-1); 11:40-12:10 (2-3); and 12:10-12:40 (4-5). Adult meal cost is \$3.85.**

T-shirt fundraiser:

- ✓ help contacting sponsors (Oct-Nov)
- ✓ help distributing shirts when they arrive (Nov)

Office/School help (spend ½ to full day 1-2 times per month helping with teacher or student needs. Could be copying, correcting, cutting out items, listening to readers.)

Robotics/STEM helpers: help guide a group through an activity once a month? Just be an extra hand—no special skills needed.

Strategic Planning: Help on the following committees (offer advice/suggestions in the following areas—often just by email):

- *Exceptional Learning Environment* (academics and school improvement)
- *Supportive Student Life* (everything outside academics)
- *Catholic Foundation* (ideas for students and families)
- *Dynamic Community Relationships* (marketing/sharing the message about SM)
- *Financial Sustainability and Advancement* (enrollment, financial, and facilities) – also seeking help for Financial Committee for both schools. (meet monthly)

*Student event opportunities will arise as possible, too.

If we all help a little it won't become too demanding on just a few people. Thank you again for considering these needs.

God Bless, Mrs. Zook



There IS such a thing as a
FREE LUNCH!!
Read the letter on the back!
Thank you for your time and help on this Mrs. Truksa! (She coordinates the lunch program for Aquinas and St. Mary's.)

Dear Parents,

The USDA which regulates our school lunch program has decided to extend the date of the Summer Food Service Program which we participated in last April and May. This extension will allow **ALL** students to be provided **FREE** meals at school, beginning September 21 and running until December 31 or until the funds run out.

This is for meals only, it does not include extra food or milk at lunch time or the milk and granola bar program at St. Mary's. Those items will still be charged through the students' lunch account.

Our lunch program will be reimbursed at a higher rate for these meals than we currently receive through the National School Lunch Program.

This will be a huge benefit for our families. There is no paperwork for you to fill out. Since we participated in the Summer Food Service Program last spring, most of the paperwork has already been completed.

Please contact me if you have any questions,

Jeri Truksa

Lunch Program Manager

Due to a kitchen dishwasher malfunction, there is a change in the lunch menu for the week of Monday, September 21 through Friday the 25th.

Monday

BBQ pork sandwich
Tater tots
Grapes

Tuesday

Turkey Stuffing Bake
Corn
Apricots

Wednesday

Homemade hamburger pizza
Green beans
Pineapple

Thursday

Chicken sticks
Cooked carrots
Smiley fries
Peaches

Friday

Cheesy eggs
Hash brown patty
Muffin
Yofurt
Juice

Milk and water with all meals

Pictures from this Week

2nd Graders finding library books



5th Grade dioramas of Native Peoples of North America



Navaho People of
the
Southwest

By Nayeli, Robert and Simon



People of the
Plains

By Kristin, Natalia and Kaylee



Native Americans
Of the Woodlands

By Carter, Allie, and Rebekah



Native Americans
Of the Southwest

By Faith and Emmett

