



**MS. SMOLEY'S UPCOMING NEWS UPDATES**

It is **American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart Week** at St. Rose School this week. The students will be jumping rope during their normally scheduled physical education classes. Donations are due Thursday, 2/25/10.

This week's **Academic Decathlon meetings** are on **Tuesday 3-5pm and Thursday 3-4pm** in the science room. The Academic Decathlon Event will be on **Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** at Christian Brothers High School.

All are welcome to attend the **9 am Ash Wednesday Mass** with us—students must wear their **Mass uniform**. **Holy Childhood** collection boxes will be distributed on Ash Wednesday, February 17th to the students. The money we collect through March 9th, will assist HCA in building up communities in more than 100 countries. The student's donations may be emptied into the classroom Lenten container. Which class will be the top donors?



**TK—8th grade applications for the 2010—11 school year** are available in the school office. Transitional Kindergarten applicants must be 5 years old by Dec. 2, 2010. Kindergarten applicants must be 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2010. TK - 8<sup>th</sup> grade applications will be numbered on a first-come-first-served-basis, by priority as they are received (TK & K with \$300.00 fee). Parents will be notified as soon as possible if there is space available for their child/ren in the 2010-2011 classes.

**First - Eighth Grade applicants** will be given an interview by appointment with the principal, once space availability has been established. The non-refundable registration fee will be collected once we know enrollment is possible and to secure the child's space in the class. Applicants who are **Active / Participating St. Rose of Lima parishioners** have priority on **Wed., Feb. 17, 2010**. Applicants who are **Catholic school Transfers from outside the Sacramento Area** (who plan on becoming St. Rose of Lima parishioners) have priority on **Thurs., Feb. 18, 2010**. Applicants who are **transfers from another Catholic school in the Sacramento Area** have priority on **Fri., Feb. 19, 2010**. Applicants who are from **surrounding Catholic parishes which don't have a Catholic school** have priority on **Tues., Feb. 23, 2010**.

**6th—7th—8th Grade Parents** you are invited to attend a **Grade Level Focus Meeting on Thursday, February 18, 2010 at 6:30—7:30 pm** in the 5th gr. classroom (new location). We will be focusing on three questions:

- ◆ In what ways does your family benefit by attendance at St. Rose School?
- ◆ What would you add to St. Rose School?
- ◆ How do you think you can make a difference?



The **primary purpose of grade level focus meetings** is to assist in meeting the needs of the students, staff, and parents. The meetings also provide parents with an opportunity to express their perceptions, thoughts, and insights as part of the St. Rose School community. I look forward to seeing you there!

**Coaches applications for the 2010-11 school year** are available in the school office and are due back completed no later than **Friday, February 19, 2010** to Dave Koumelis, Athletic Director via the school office.

**P.A.L. Spring 2010 Sports Participation forms** were sent home with interested students (**boys volleyball-grades 7-8 / co-ed track and golf grades 5-8**). The completed forms and fees are **due by Friday, February 19, 2010**.

**Scoliosis screening** for students in grades 7 & 8 is scheduled for **Monday, February 22nd**. Girls are asked to wear a sports top under their uniform. If parents would prefer their child/ren not be screened please send a note addressed to our Health Coordinator, Mrs. Glasky, with this request by this **Fri., Feb. 19th**. Thank you.

**Many thanks** to Mrs. Pirnik, Box Tops Coordinator and to all who have been saving box tops for our school. **Box tops for Education** are due by **February 26th**. We will soon find out which class collected the most box tops and which students won a personal pizza.



The **end of the trimester is March 3**. Report Cards will be distributed on **March 10** to the students.



**A Night To Go Wild**

~ Please Save the Date ~ **Saturday, March 13th ~ 6:30—10:00 pm**  
Sunset Rocklin Center ~ 2650 Sunset Blvd., Rocklin

**Hunt up a bargain by purchasing your auction reservation by Tuesday, Feb. 23 at \$45.00 per person**. After 2/23 the price goes to \$50.00 p/p Please check out the auction website at [www.stroseauction.com](http://www.stroseauction.com), to see what exciting things are in store at this FUNd-raiser event.

**Looking ahead... 2010-11 Family registration packets** will be sent home with the oldest child on **Tuesday, March 16, 2010**. Completed re-registration forms and registration fee per child for the 2010-2011 school year will be due back no later than **March 30, 2010**.

**TEACHERS' WEEKLY UPDATES**

**Mrs. Heath's TK Class**

TK continues to foster their love for Jesus and looks forward to attending Ash Wednesday Mass. This marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. A season of penance, reflection and fasting which helps to prepare us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Have a blessed week!

**Ms. Brown's Kindergarten Class**

Lent begins this week. The kinder will be following the journey of Jesus through the Stations of the Cross. They will also participate with the school as the students burn last year's palms to prepare ashes for Ash Wednesday. We will also talk about George Washington and make a tricorner hat. The children will learn about fat-pushed, jumping J.j.

**Mrs. Grant's 1st Grade Class**

Hope everyone enjoyed their four day weekend. Thank you for all the fun valentines. I had fun reading all of them. During religion this week we will be talking about lent. I enjoyed listening to the students last week talking about their baptism. We will be meeting with Father Joshy in the church and he will be telling us a little bit more about the sacrament of baptism. We will be working on the ow and ou\_ spellings for the cow card and reviewing the spellings for foot, goo, and long o. In math we will be working on sums to 18. During social studies we will continue looking at maps and learn about a map book we will be making. On Friday the students have free dress and will be having an ice cream social for the class winning the crab feed raffle ticket competition. Thank you first grade parents :) Have a great week!

**Mrs. Oros' 2nd Grade Class**

Hope you had a wonderful weekend. The students will share their whale reports today. Thank you parents for a wonderful ice cream Valentine's Party. A Great Time was had by all!!! We will have another treat this Friday afternoon—since we won the Crab Feed raffle contest! The students voted for another ice cream party Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> AND we get FREE DRESS ON FRIDAY as well!!! We will continue our study of whales, Chinese New Year, spelling words with "oy", Fat Tuesday, and Lent! There are so many new things to learn in second grade!

**Mrs. Hubrig's 3rd Grade Class**  
**CAMP WANNALEARN NEWS**

Thank you everybody for the wonderful birthday celebration on Thursday. I love the balloon bouquet, gift certificate, and the special lunch! I have to congratulate the rangers on their fantabulous puppet speeches last week. All of the rangers spoke clearly, presented well-written speeches, and gave their puppets personality. I appreciate all of the parents who were able to attend, as this gave the rangers more confidence. The rangers will be coming home today with a Lenten Project, which will be due in two weeks. The project has changed from prior years and the rangers seem to be excited about the options they have. We will have DOL for only two more weeks and then we will move onto other language work. Our social studies test was moved from last week to this week because the rangers are needing more study time. We will take the social studies test on the Navajo Indians tomorrow (Wednesday). The rangers need to review the chapter and their notes. We will complete our handwriting book this week, which means that the rangers will now have handwriting quizzes once a week. The rangers should have their next book report book approved this week. Congratulations to Noel Jensen who is our Scout of the Week this week. Yowza!

**Mrs. Gebhardt's K—3rd Gr. Phys. Ed Classes**

This Thursday is our Jump rope for Heart event. The students will be jumping with their team. The students have done a terrific job learning new jump tricks. Any students who are collecting money for the American Heart Association event may either turn in their money to me or their class homeroom teacher on Thursday, Feb. 18th. Thank you.



The Parent Guild is hosting an all school Snow Day on Mon., 3/8/10. More details to follow soon...

# TEACHERS' WEEKLY UPDATES CONTINUED

## Mrs. Deprez's Fourth Grade Class

This week, I will be on a visiting committee for WCEA/WASC at Our Lady of Lourdes in Colusa, California. The class will be in the very capable hands of Sister Mary and Mrs. Snyder. We begin our week on Tuesday due to our President's Day holiday. Given the short week, the class will not have a spelling unit this week. Reading continues with the novel *By the Great Horn Spoon*. The focus is on vocabulary, comprehension, & fluency. The chapters this week include learning about latitude & longitude and what it is like to have a butler. The rough drafts of sensory poetry will become published copies along with original watercolor illustrations. On Friday, students will begin working on vocabulary workshop #14 flashcards. Math lessons continue with reading and making various types of graphs: bar, line, circle & plot and survey lines. In social studies, the methods of mining are explained. There are many family friendly gold mines, gold discovery sites, & caves to visit in our area. In science, we continue to learn about simple machines in the chapter called energy and tools. The supply list for making the gold rush **era** lantern came home in the Friday folder. These supplies are needed on the morning of February 24th. Please join the class on Wednesday morning at 9 am for Ash Wednesday Mass. Girls please wear your skirts and boys your pants.

## Sr. Brett's 4th & 5th Grades' Religion Classes

The students will be studying about Lent. There is Mass on Ash Wednesday.



## Mrs. Silva for Mrs. Mounkes' 5th Grade Class

First, I would like to thank you for the Valentine wishes and goodies. I would also like to thank you for the birthday wishes and cougar bucks. We had a very busy Thursday, celebrating Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, President's day, and my birthday. Thank you to Mrs. Dollesin for helping at the party, to Mrs. Madden for organizing and sending in supplies, and to everyone who sent in treats. We had a great day! I think we are off to a good start with our state reports after last week's panic. By the end of this week, students should have collected "some" notes on each section of their report. This exercise will help students gauge which sections will require more effort in collecting adequate information for writing their report. Students should be working on completing the final drafts of the Flag, Symbols, and At a Glance pages for their Introduction section. As a class, we will concentrate on the History section and the timeline. We postponed last week's vocabulary test to first thing this **Wednesday** morning, before we attend Mass for Ash Wednesday. In Social Studies, we will have the quiz on section 4 of Chapter 8 (New England colonies) on **Thursday**, and we will begin preparing for our Chapter 8 test. In Science, we will review for the unit test which covers chapter 5 and chapter 6. The Unit Test on **Friday** will be **open book**. In math, we have been analyzing data in our new chapter. We had a review of probability last Thursday and will now be moving on to various graphing techniques. We do not have any tests or quizzes, but expect math homework each night during this short but busy week.

## Mrs. Cole's 6th Grade Class

In literature this week, the final drafts of their essays on **BROTHER SAM** are due. Students must resist proofreading, fixing, and rewriting their essays. Some checking up on their proofreading will help. In vocabulary, we continue working unit 10, with a test on Thursday. In religion, I will soon begin the Benziger *FAMILY LIFE*. I will send a copy home for you to peruse; it is quite fine!

## Mrs. Cole's 7th and 8th Grades' Literature Classes

All 7th and 8th grade students who need extra guidance in essay writing should come to room 6 during lunch for my help. Seventh graders will feature poetry in the literature text, beginning on page 704. Some creative poetry writing will be encouraged. Eighth graders continue their project on *To Kill a Mockingbird*. They are very near to completing the novel, and they have chosen their term paper topics. I will be monitoring their progress on note taking; notes with page citations are due March 3.

## Mrs. Gardner's 7th Grade Homeroom Class

Thanks to all who contributed to our Valentine's Day brunch. What a nice way to start the day! This week the students will be writing and performing plays based on the miracles of Jesus. They will complete Unit 13 in vocabulary and have the test on Friday.

## Mrs. Gardner's 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade English Classes

All classes have completed their primary work on the parts of speech: nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, prepositions, conjunctions, and interjections. That is quite an accomplishment! Next, the students will use their knowledge of the parts of speech as they tackle a chapter on basic sentence structure – subjects, predicates, direct objects, indirect objects, predicate nouns, and predicate adjectives. This chapter is long and has many elements. Students may need to have their work looked over and checked at home in addition to the work we do at school.

## Schoolhouse Catering Weekly Lunch Menu:

- Tues., 2/16/10: Chicken Sandwich with Lettuce & Pickle / Peaches / Cookie
- Wed., 2/17/10: **ASH WEDNESDAY—NO MEAT—REVISED MENU** ...  
Mac & Cheese / Garlic Bread / Dessert
- Thurs., 2/18/10: Imported Penne Pasta with Marinara / Garlic Bread / Caesar Salad / Fruit Snack
- Friday, 2/19/10: Taco Bell Burrito / Chips & Salsa / Fruit / Dessert



## Ms. Castori's 8th Grade Homeroom Class

Congratulations to eighth graders Caroline B., AnnMarie G., and Allie S. who recently received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Though this is a four-day week, the students will be taking their chapter 6 Vocabulary test this Friday. My math class will begin a chapter on geometry.

**Ms. Castori's 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Social Studies Classes**  
Sixth graders continue with their study of Ancient China and will take their test the early part of next week. Seventh graders have been given a Medieval Banquet assignment that is due March 5. Their castles should be brought to school on February 23. Eighth graders give a presentation on the challenges of the Oregon Trail and study the Mexican-American War.

## Mrs. Keller's 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades' Math Classes

Students are welcome to come by for help before, recess, lunch or after school if you need it. **Sixth grade** will be starting Chapter 8 and having a quiz on Friday. **Seventh grade** will be finishing Chapter 7 and their test will be on Thursday. **Eighth grade** is working through Chapter 8 and will have a quiz on Friday.

## Mrs. Keller's 8th, 7th, & 6th Grades' Science Classes

Students are welcome to come by for help before recess, lunch or after school if you need it. **Sixth graders** will be finishing up Chapter 7 and they will have a test next Monday most likely. **Seventh grade** will have their parts of Chapter 7 and 8 blended test on Wednesday. **Eighth grade** will be making soap on Tuesday hopefully and finishing up Chapter 4 with a test on Thursday.

## Mr. Ricci's 6th & 7th Grades' Math Classes

Quizzes will be given in both 6th and 7th scheduled for Friday. The trimester is quickly coming to an end. Let's make sure that any missing work is handed in to me before the grading period ends.

**Mr. Ricci's 4th—8th Grades' Physical Education Classes**  
It's Jump Rope for Heart week. All classes will spend at least one class time jumping rope. We will also continue physical education testing in grades 5-7.

## Senora Egan's 7th—8th Grades' Spanish Classes

The eighth graders are learning new vocabulary and reviewing basic grammar. They earned homemade salsa & chips as a reward for their most recent and excellent test grades. Seventh grade is getting ready to test their abilities on the vocabulary they have covered in class. Good luck to 7th grade.

## Mrs. Snyder's K—8th Grades' Art Classes

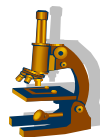
This week in art, the 5th-8th grades will complete their Heart Art projects using oil pastels and watercolors. We will then embark on an exploration of Op art, or the art of optical patterns and designs. We will first review the elements of symmetry, color schemes, positive and negative space, and repetition. The art of Victor Vasarely and Bridget Riley will be our fine art connections (we already know about M.C. Escher!!). The students will be taught some tricks in the creation of Op art, then use black and white to create their own eye-fooling art.

**Mrs. Falappino's 3rd-8th Grade Extracurricular Music**  
**Beginning and Advanced Bell Choirs** are learning mallet techniques for playing the bells. **Junior and Senior Choruses** are developing their 2-part singing. **Jazz Band** is learning to improvise.

Congratulations to the winners from St. Rose School who entered the UC Davis Biotech Expo Poster competition.

### Biofuels:

- 2nd place- Sydney A. (6th gr.)
- 3rd Place- Anthony R. and Matthew S. (6th gr.)



### Biomedical Eng & Nanotech:

- 1st place- Grant T. and Eric S. (6th gr.)

### Genetic Testing & Forensics:

- 1st Place- Caroline B. & Allie S. (8th gr.)

### Stem Cells:

- 1st Place- Abby D. (8th gr.)
- 2nd Place- Deedra D. (8th gr.)

*These students will receive certificates/ribbons and passes to Explorit Science Center in Davis.*

## Got Scrip?

Ah, a taste of Spring...If these last few sunny, warm days have you thinking of Spring, get yourself some **Home Depot** or **Lowe's** and get some flowers, fruits, and veggies into your garden. Maybe you're more in the mood to barbecue a fat juicy steak from **Raley's/BelAir** or tune up the family bikes with parts and equipment from **Sports Authority** or **Big 5**. Of course you'll need some spring fashions from **Kohl's** or **Aeropostale**! Whatever your inspiration, let **Scrip** be a part of your plans to enjoy the great outdoors.

