



## **Campus Connection**

**Issue #2**

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### **Mission Statement**

Waukesha Catholic instills faith and inspires futures by nurturing each child's gifts with an education rooted in the Gospel values and a culture of community, compassion, and love.

# **This Coming Week**

[View the monthly calendar](#)

**September 14** – Mass at SJC 8:35 a.m., Mass at SMC 9:00 a.m., Prayer service at SWC 11:10 a.m., Last day to order a SJC Hoodie

**September 15** - SJC Social 7-9:00 p.m.

**September 17** - Scrip Order by 9:00 a.m., Last day to order 4 P's hot lunch for October

Link to: [Website](#)   [Handbook](#)   [Athletic Page](#)   [Order SCRIP](#)

## **Kovaleski's "Key" Notes**

Dear Parents:

*"Those who are in charge of schools must never forget that the parents have been appointed by God himself as the first and principal educators of their children ....."* Pope John Paul 11.

Education is about valuing and nurturing every young person's uniqueness and assisting him or her to fulfill their capabilities as students and later as adults. We, parents and school, have a common interest to ensure that Waukesha Catholic provides an environment that is conducive to successful learning and personal achievement. When education is valued in the home and seen as life- enhancing, then your children view school positively and as a worthwhile investment. Parents and teachers working in collaboration can present education as a happy and fulfilling experience for children.

Research confirms that when parents are partners in their children's education, achievement improves. Therefore, be present and active in your children's education. Keep in touch with us. Stay aware of what your children are learning, what their assignments are and how they perform in them. If you have questions or concerns, arrange a visit to the school to talk with your child/ren's teacher or schedule a phone call. Get involved and volunteer. Your presence and generosity of time shows your children your commitment to their school and education. Good communication and cooperation between home and school is vital to create and sustain a climate that is conducive to productive learning.

As you know, at Waukesha Catholic we have many volunteer needs/opportunities. Volunteers are essential to the operation of our school. Volunteering at school has a direct positive impact on your children's school experience. Volunteers enable our school to run more smoothly, operate within our yearly budget, and offer more family friendly events. As was explained in our Welcome Back Packet, on the Waukesha Catholic Handbook Sign-off, and at Parent Night - in order to achieve our goals, **we ask that each family volunteer a minimum of 25 hours during the school year.** If every family volunteers their 25 hours we will be able to achieve and perhaps even exceed our goals and expectations.

Already we have had many parents volunteering their time this year. However, we still have many areas for which we need volunteers. Therefore, each week, we will highlight a volunteer opportunity or two for which we still need help and support. I would ask that you carefully review the opportunity and prayerfully discern if you would be able to assist in this area. Our school needs you – our children need you.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY OF THE WEEK:**

**Home and School Vice-Chairperson:** The purpose of our Home and School Association is to foster the spirit of Christian Community among families and staff of Waukesha Catholic. The goals of the Association are to:

- To provide educational, spiritual, social and informational functions for Waukesha Catholic students and families.
- To promote unity among parents, students, teachers, and staff of all Waukesha Catholic campuses.
- To raise revenues that may be for goods or services to benefit the campuses of Waukesha Catholic.

The Vice-Chairperson will work closely and in conjunction with the Chair of the Home and School Association (Kathy Murphy-Ott) to meet the above stated purpose/goals. The Vice-Chairperson will also:

- Preside over association meetings and functions in the absence of the Chairperson.
- Serve as By-Law review chairperson.
- Coordinate the nomination and election process of officers.
- Coordinate, with the Chair and Secretary, the preparation and distribution of the Home and School Association newsletter when deemed necessary.
- To serve as a liaison between all elected officers to aid the Chairperson.

Parents, you are the primary educator and role model for your children. They believe what the people they love and trust most believe. Show them you believe in them, their education, and Waukesha Catholic. Get involved - stay involved - and work with us to INSTILL FAITH AND INSPIRE FUTURES! When we work together, the possibilities are endless.

Many Blessings,  
Lisa Kovaleski  
Principal

*If you are interested in learning more about the Home and School Vice-Chairperson position please email Kathy Murphy-Ott at: [homeandschool@waukeshacatholic.org](mailto:homeandschool@waukeshacatholic.org).*

# Creating a Safe Environment

## Parents and Guardians: Get Involved

Parents and guardians play a key role in the success of parish/school programs for young people. Parents and guardians who are involved in parish/school programs and events will be in the best position to protect their own children as well as all the children in the community. Involvement and communication are important factors in helping to ensure safe environments for all of our children.

# Weekly News

## Safeguarding

Volunteers are always welcome and needed but all volunteers are required to have completed the Safeguarding All God's Family curriculum requirements prior to volunteering. We encourage everyone to complete this process. [This link](#) will take you to the form to get you started. Follow the process online to completion. These are the steps:

- Register online and complete the Code of Ethical Standards, read the Mandatory Reporting Policy, and Acknowledgement Questions
- Give permission for a background check
- Attend a class of your choosing

The whole process takes time to complete, so be sure to start now and plan ahead so you can help out with parties at school, go on field trips with your student, or volunteer at an event. Children love to see their parents help out!! If you have questions contact Ann Lottes at 262-896-2920, ext. 1.

## Grandparent's Day

Just a reminder that there is a change to the Grandparent's Day events at St. Mary and St. Joseph Campus. These are the correct dates and times.

Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary Campus Grandparent's Day 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – St. William Campus Grandparent's Day 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> – St. Joseph Campus Grandparent's Day 1:15 – 3:15 p.m.

- Please make sure to turn in the responses for Grandparent/ VIP day so that we may plan for refreshments. Contact the school office if you have misplaced your copy.

## Upcoming Lock-down Drill

Waukesha Catholic has a strong commitment to the safety of its students and staff. For that reason, each year, we rehearse the steps that are taken in the event that our buildings need to enter a lock-down. On Thursday, September 20<sup>th</sup> we will be conducting our annual lock-down drill. In the days preceding the drill, the teaching staff will be reviewing with the students the steps that we take during a lock-down and the reasons why we go through this exercise. If you have any questions, please contact any member of the administrative team.

### ***Campus Substitute Teachers***

We are in need of substitute teachers. If you know of anyone who might be interested please have them contact Lisa Kovaleski at 262-896-2929, ext. 1318 or [lkovaleski@waukeshacatholic.org](mailto:lkovaleski@waukeshacatholic.org).

### ***Attention all Waukesha Catholic Beginning Band Parents and Students (Grades 5-8):***

All beginning band parents and students are invited to attend a meeting at St. Mary Campus in the Community Room room at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, September 17th. This informational meeting is for those students in the 5th grade who have never played an instrument before but would like to be part of the school's band program this year. Students who were part of the Summer Lesson Program should also plan on attending. Please call Mrs. Bartels at St. Joseph Campus if you have any questions at 896-2930, X340.

### ***Scrip***

Monday, September 17th is Happy Thank-Scrip-ing Day! Earn *bonus rebates* on orders placed on this day only. Check out the website ([www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)) for more details. If you are new to the scrip program you will need to create an account and use our Waukesha Catholic number #8AL3CL461142 to register. Do you have questions about the Scrip program? Contact Charlotte, our Scrip Coordinator, at [scrip@waukeshacatholic.org](mailto:scrip@waukeshacatholic.org) or 262-896-2929, ext. 1331 for more information.

Place your Scrip Order by 9 a.m. Monday, September 17th for delivery on Thursday, September 20th.

### **Home & School**

**Culver's Night:** Each month H&S organizes a fundraiser at a local restaurant. On Thursday, September 20th there will be a Culver's Night at the Grandview location. From 5-8:00 p.m. a portion of all your purchases will earn a donation to Waukesha Catholic's Home & School organization. No coupon is necessary and you can meet up with other parents and students and have a night out!

### ***Items Needed For The Knights Trading Post (PBIS Store)***

Over the last few weeks, our students have been busy earning Knights Kash by demonstrating positive behavior in a wide-variety of ways. Soon, our students will have their first opportunity to visit the Knights Trading Post, using their Knights Kash as currency to purchase various items. Each campus will have its own Trading Post, which will be open twice a month.

If you've been looking for a good reason to do some fall cleaning and have been wondering what to do with things your children no longer play with, we could use some help stocking each of the Knights Trading Posts! If you have anything at home that would make a fun item for a student to purchase, we will gladly take it! Some items that our students would enjoy include:

- play jewelry,
- small games,
- Hot Wheel cars,
- sports themed items,
- dolls,
- gently used sporting equipment,
- like-new and cleaned stuffed animals,
- books,
- toys,
- coloring and puzzle books,

- pens, pencils, markers,
- small denomination gift cards to places like Culver's, Barnes and Noble, Target, Jimmy Johns or any other business that would be of interest to our students
- any other items you think our students may like

Items can be sent to any of the campuses offices. Please mark them "Knights Trading Post." Thank you in advance for your donation!



### 2 mile walk

9:40 a.m. Pre-walk warm up

10:00 a.m. 2-mile walk begins

**How much does it cost?** Registration is free if you register by September 25th. Beginning September 26th a \$10 registration fee will be charged.

**How do I register?** Go to [catholicschoolswalk.org](http://catholicschoolswalk.org) and click *Register - To Join a Team*. *Log in* if you are a returning walker or *Join as a new participant*. If you're joining as a new participant, be sure to choose Waukesha Catholic Team from the drop down menu.

**What do you get with your registration?** All walkers who register on or before October 9th will be guaranteed a t-shirt. T-shirts for participants who register after October 9th will be available on a first come, first serve basis on the day of the Walk. In addition, when a donation is made in your family name, each student within the family will receive a non-uniform pass. Please put each student's name in the recognition box.

**Transportation?** Depending on the numbers, we will either bus or carpool from our St. Mary Campus parking lot. For parking and additional information on the Walk, visit [catholicschoolswalk.org](http://catholicschoolswalk.org).

**Do I have to get pledges?** No, but it is highly encouraged! You can give cash or a check donation directly to our school or give online via [catholicschoolswalk.org](http://catholicschoolswalk.org). Remember that all donations remain at Waukesha Catholic!

**I cannot make the event. Can I still donate?** Yes! Go to [catholicschoolswalk.org](http://catholicschoolswalk.org) and click the "Donate" tab. Search for either Waukesha Catholic Team or the name of the team member you wish to support and then click the "Support" tab.

**Questions?** Contact your Team Walk Captain, Nancy Nadolny, at [nnadolny@waukeshacatholic.org](mailto:nnadolny@waukeshacatholic.org) or 262-896-2929, ext. 1325.

**Waukesha Catholic St. Joseph Middle School  
September 12, 2018**

**Included in This Week's Packet**

Allergy Notification Grades 6, 7 & 8  
Athletic Booster Club Sports Wear Extended Sale Flyer *Youngest Only*  
Box Top Collection Sheet 6, 7, & 8  
Grandparent Information *Youngest Only*  
MAP Testing Information *Youngest Only*  
PowerSchool Info *Youngest Only*  
Soles for Education Walk –Save the Date!



Hoodie orders are due this Friday, September 14th! This is the only time to order for the 2018-2019 school year. Please contact Mrs. Dunk if you have any questions.

**Back to School Beach Bash --September 15th from 7:00-9:00 in the St Joseph Gym**

Home and School is excited to invite all St. Joseph students to the first social of the year! We aren't ready for the summer fun to end so, let's have a **Back to School Beach Bash!!** On **Saturday, September 15th from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** there will be dancing, friends, raffle prizes, refreshments and snacks. All for \$5.00! Extra raffle tickets may be purchased for 50 cents.

**We are still in need of PARENT VOLUNTEERS, as well as donations.** Please consider signing up! Here is the link to the signup genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040e45a5a72caa8-back>

IMPORTANT: All adult volunteers must have current Safeguarding All God's Children training.

Any questions feel free to contact Kathleen Matson ([matsonkathleen@hotmail.com](mailto:matsonkathleen@hotmail.com)) or Shannon Evenson ([shannonevenson@gmail.com](mailto:shannonevenson@gmail.com)).

**Box Top News**



The first Box Top contest of the year will have a Brewers theme with boys versus girls. When the boys/girls turn in 100 Box Tops, they will advance a base. When you turn in 400 Box Tops, you will score a homerun!! The boys/girls with the most homeruns will win a non-uniform day.

Keep an eye on the scoreboard and Go Brewers!!!



**Grandparent's and VIP Day**

Please remember that all Grandparent/VIP RSVPs are due Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> (tomorrow). We need these for our planning. Thank you!

## **St. Mary Campus**

September 12, 2018



### **Box Tops News**

The first Box Top contest of the year will have a Brewers theme, with boys versus girls. When the boys, or girls, turn in 100 Box Tops they will advance a base. When you turn in 400 Box Tops you will score a homerun!! The boys or girls with the most homeruns will win a non-uniform day. Keep an eye on the scoreboard – and GO BREWERS!!

### **Grandparent's and VIP Day**

Please remember that all Grandparent/VIP RSVPs are due Thursday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> (tomorrow). We need these so we can plan for the correct number of people. If no one is coming on that day please indicate that on the form so that your child can be put with another family. Thank you for your help with this.



### **School Pictures**

Today you will be receiving your child's school pictures that were taken on packet turn-in day. If you are unhappy with them, or weren't here to have them taken, retake day is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please remember that all pictures need to be returned to the photographer on retake day in order to have another picture taken. More information will be available as we get closer to the date.

### **Band Information for 5<sup>th</sup> Graders**

On Monday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, in the SM community room, there will be an informational parent meeting for any families of 5<sup>th</sup> graders interested in participating in band. There will be a follow-up meeting for the students in 5<sup>th</sup> grade on Wednesday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:45 – 8:00pm in the music room at SMC. Parents will sign up for a time slot on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars and plan accordingly.



### **Looking Ahead**

Friday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>: School liturgy at 9:00am, 4-2  
5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Buckskinners Encampment  
Monday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>: Last day to order lunch from 4 P's for October

### **Included in Today's Packet**

MAP letter  
Grandparent information flyer  
Soles for Education information  
Box Tops sheet  
Booster Club extended sale flyer  
Power School login Information (new students only)

## St. William Campus

September 12, 2018

### Construction

Please review the message sent last Friday regarding the construction activity in front of St. William property:

Due to the construction that began on Moreland Boulevard Thursday afternoon and some congestion/confusion the new traffic pattern caused, we quickly recognized the need to make some slight changes to our car line procedures.

Therefore, until further notice these are the car line procedures we will follow for **AFTER SCHOOL DISMISSAL**:

- Cars will enter the parking lot, as usual. However, as car line forms, a staff member may direct some cars to form a second line. This might be necessary to keep traffic from blocking the main entrance/road, as buses now need to enter and exit from that entrance as well. If a second line becomes necessary, a staff member will direct you where to go and how to proceed.
- ALL CARS should exit the parking lot using only the exit on the south end of the lot. Due to the new traffic pattern you should be able to turn left or right from that exit.
- We strongly encourage all families picking up children, by car, to use the car line instead of parking and getting out of your car, as that presents numerous safety concerns. We will do our best to keep the car line moving along as quickly and efficiently as possible. If you feel it necessary to park and get out of your car, please park to the FAR SOUTH END OF THE LOT. We would also ask that you please avoid walking through the traffic that is exiting the lot, or walking between cars that are waiting to pick up children.
- *Parents that pick up students coming off of buses, please exit the northernmost driveway.*

Thank you for your help, patience, and understanding. Of course, we do recognize there may be a few hiccups until we have an opportunity to practice this new process, and will most certainly adjust should we find things aren't working as planned.

### Prayer Services

We welcome our families to attend our prayer services coordinated by the teachers and students. Our first prayer service will be September 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:10 a.m. in the church. This service will be organized by Mrs. McDonell's K4 B class. Hope to see you there!



### **Grandparents Day**

Please make sure to turn in the responses for Grandparent/ VIP day so that we may plan for refreshments. Contact the school office if you have misplaced your copy. Thank you!

Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, grandparents should arrive by 10 a.m. for the prayer service. They should come into the school building and go to the classroom of their youngest grandchild. Students and grandparents will be called to go into the church for the prayer service.

Following the prayer service, grandparents and students will be invited to go –

- 1/2 to the parish hall
- 1/2 to the cafeteria or tour the school building

An announcement will be made to switch group locations.

Dismissal for grandparents/special guests is at 11:30 a.m.

**K3 & K4 ½ day students may leave with their guests at that time. Please notify the teacher.**



**Included In This Packet**

Ebert's Greenhouse Field Trip Form (K5 only)  
PowerSchool Family Login Information (new students)  
Pictures (If you had ordered them in August)  
JumpBunch Fitness Program Flyer  
Soles for Education Postcard  
Grandparent Survey  
Booster Club Flyer

**Looking Ahead**

September 14<sup>th</sup> – Kohls Wild Theater Presentation *Trash Bash* 9:00 a.m.  
Prayer Service 11:10 a.m. led by Mrs. McDonell's K4 Class  
September 20<sup>th</sup> – H & S Culver's Night 5 – 8 p.m. Grandview Location  
September 28<sup>th</sup> – Grandparents Day 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.