

St. Michael Swords News

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IOWA Assessment

Students in first through eighth grade will be taking the Iowa Assessment of Basic Skills standardized test next week, beginning Monday, September 20th. Testing will take place every day from 8:15 until 10:15. Areas of testing include Word Analysis (Phonics), Reading Comprehension, Written Expression (Grammar), Vocabulary, Math, Computation, Listening, Science, and Social Studies. Not all grade levels take each of these tests. Some grades will be finished by Thursday, but there are a few that will go into Friday. Grades 2 and 6 will also take the CogAt test which measures intellectual abilities and will show the students' most successful way of learning.

To help your child do well on the test: (1) Make sure he or she gets a good night's sleep and eats a healthy breakfast (not just sugary snacks.) There should be no homework or subject area tests next week until Friday. (2) Be sure your child has what he or she needs for the test, #2 pencils and a white eraser. Teachers also have items available in the classroom. (3) Remain positive. Staying calm will help your child stay calm. If he or she gets nervous about the test or is likely to experience anxiety during the test, help him or her practice some relaxation techniques that he or she can try during the test.

Please be sure your child does not have any morning appointments next week. If your child is sick, please notify the office right away so we know not to wait for him or her. The tests will need to be made up once he or she returns to school.

Tickets and money for Night on the Town are due tomorrow, September 17th!

If you would like to donate an auction item, please contact Brandy Janak, Angela Wied, or the school office.

Homecoming Week

The week after next, **September 27th – 30th**, is Homecoming Week at SMCS. The Homecoming football game and 8th grade Parent's Night will be held on Wednesday, September 29th, beginning at 5:30 against St. Rose. The SMCS cheerleaders have several activities planned for that week.

Monday, September 27th : Megaphone Decorating Contest

Purchase a megaphone from the cheerleaders to decorate. Due Wednesday. The winner will be announced at the pep rally on Wednesday.

Tuesday: September 28th: Tie-Dye Day

Students dress up in your favorite tie-dye outfit.

Wednesday, September 29th: Green-Out Day

Wear as much green as you can. Football players may choose to wear their jerseys and cheerleaders may choose to wear their uniforms.

Pompoms, ribbons, etc. will be on sale. Pep rally at 2:30. Everyone welcome to attend. Be sure to wear green to the game. Special run-through for future football players and special cheering for future cheerleaders. Eighth graders and their parents will be honored at half-time. R & R Shaved Ice will be at the game with proceeds going to the Cheerleading Program.

Thursday, September 30th: We're Outta This World Day

Come dressed in anything to do with space, Eclipse shirts, etc., or as an alien, astronaut, or a character from Star Wars, Star Trek, or your favorite space movie or book.

The volleyball team will play Nazareth Academy in our gym beginning at 5:30 p.m.

SMCS Sports News

Members of our athletic teams will present the liturgy for the mass on September 24th.

Fr. Wayne is celebrating the 33rd anniversary of his ordination on this day.

Congratulations Fr. Wayne!

Altar Servers

Altar servers for the mass on Friday, September 17th are: Carson Klam, Mallarie Williams, and Joseph Rowland.

Altar servers for the mass on Friday, September 24th are: Emma Koeth and Dayson Mace.

There were no altar servers at either of the masses this past Sunday. Please remember that if your child is scheduled to serve and can't, he or she must find a replacement for that mass.

Fall Community T-Shirt Drive

The Weimar Encore Lions Club is accepting new or gently used t-shirts, polo shirts, pullovers, and hoodies for distribution in the Weimar area. Shirts are being accepted for babies, children, students, women, and men. There is a box inside the school for your donation. All sizes and styles will be accepted.

Individual School Pictures

The proof of the individual school pictures that were taken earlier this month are being sent home today. If you want to purchase, please indicate the packet you want on the envelope and return it to school by September 22nd. If you do NOT want to purchase, the proof must be returned by September 22nd. Please make checks payable to Pat Mercer Photography. Do not enclose checks for more than one child per envelope.

Cross Country

Our SMCS cross country team traveled to Navasota yesterday to participate in a meet there. Even though no one brought back a medal, individual times are improving. Their next meet is here in Weimar on September 25th.

Volleyball

Our SMCS volleyball team travels to Victoria tonight to compete against Trinity. Game time is at 5:00 p.m. Members of the "B" team will also participate in the Nazareth Academy tournament on Saturday.

Football

The SMCS football team played in Yoakum last night against St. Joseph School. It was a hard-fought game with a final score of 33 – 21.

Sports Pictures

Sports pictures will be taken on Monday, September 20th, beginning at 2:45 p.m. starting with football, cross country, cheerleaders, and then volleyball. PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR UNIFORMS ON MONDAY!

SMCS Student Council

Student Council elections were held this week with the following students being elected:

President – Kylie Ohnheiser

Vice-President – Emma Koeth

Secretary/Treasurer – Hunter Shupak

8th Grade Representative – Hudson Rowland

7th Grade Representatives – Brinson Huette and Tucker Janak

6th Grade Representatives – Ella Herzik and Hudson Hillje

5th Grade Representatives – Sarah Jane Berger and Chloe Brandt

4th Grade Representative – Andie Melnar

Congratulations to all of these students!

Monday is a free dress day for everyone!

Tuesday is \$1 dress day. Pay \$1 and you don't need to wear your uniform on Tuesday!