MONDAY MESSENGER

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THANK YOU: A big thank you to everyone that helped make our plays a success! Your time and talents are appreciated!

GRADES 1, 6 & 7 PARENTS: Watch for an e-mail this week (we promise!) from Mr. Schulmeister regarding Graduation preparations.

KINDERGARTEN & GRADE 8: Order forms came home last week for the Kindergarten and 8th Grade Graduation flowers. We order each student a wrist corsage or boutonniere to be worn at Graduation. The cost is \$5.00 per child. Please turn your form in with payment by next Friday, May 12th.

GRADE 1: First grade will be going on a field trip to Whelan School House on Tuesday, May 16th. Permission slips are coming home today and should be returned to Mrs. Riel by this Wednesday.

INCOMING K-2 INFORMATIONAL MEETING: We will be holding an informational meeting for parents of next year's Kindergarten – Grade 2 students this Wednesday, May 10th at 6:00 PM in the bible classroom. We encourage all parents to attend!

GUEST SPEAKER: "HOW TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE ON THE INTERNET": As our children spend more time on iPads and other mobile devices, it can be difficult to monitor their choices. Officer Gary Wallace of the Franklin Police Department will be discussing current risks as well as some ideas on how to help keep our children safe while accessing the internet. This program will take place in the church at 6:00 PM on Thursday, May 11, so please mark your calendars now. This program is designed for parents and adults only. We understand that childcare may make it difficult for some families to attend, so we are asking for volunteers to watch the children during this program. If you can help, please contact the school office.

SCHOOL CLEANING: Our final school cleaning date of the school year is Saturday, May 20th at 9:00 AM. The following families are scheduled to clean with Mrs. Krizan: Burrow, Campbell, Derouin, Frank, Kallies and Zimny. If you have not fulfilled your cleaning date for the year, please plan on coming on May 20th.

ARBOR DAY: We will be holding our annual Arbor Day next Wednesday, May 17th. Students in K-8 should bring a large garbage bag to school to help spruce up the grounds.

CONFIRMATION EXAMINATION: The Confirmation Examination service will be held next Thursday, May 18th at 6:30 PM. All families are invited to attend!

CONFIRMATION: Our Confirmation service will be held on Sunday, May 21st at 10:00 AM (please note the time change from the usual 10:30 AM service).

ASCENSION SERVICE: Junior Choir and Handbells will be singing and ringing for our Ascension service on Thursday, May 25th at 6:30 PM.

KNOWLEDGE-A-THON: Please continue to collect pledges and donations for the Knowledge-A-Thon. All proceeds earned will be used for technology and improvements to our school playground. And don't forget, you will receive a \$20 gift card for every \$100 you earn! Pledges are due on Friday, May 19. We are still looking for volunteers, so please sign up in the school office.

BONUS INCENTIVE - KNOWLEDGE-A-THON: As an added incentive for our Knowledge-A-Thon, the class that raises the most money will receive an additional \$250 for educational classroom supplies, i.e. books. Thank you to Thrivent Financial for their generosity and Mrs. Stella for her assistance in obtaining this support.

ST. PAUL'S TRACK & FIELD DAY: Our school track meet will be held on Friday, May 26th beginning at noon. <u>In order for the track meet to run smoothly, we need several parent volunteers that afternoon to help with timing, scores, etc.</u> Let the office know if you are able to be here. Please consider helping at this fun event! *Please note, this is also the same day as the Knowledge-A-Thon for which we are also looking for volunteers.

8TH GRADE PARENTS: Don't forget about gathering your photos for the Graduation video. Brian Zimny has volunteered to put together the video this year and has asked that all photos be turned in to the office by Friday, May 19th.

PRE-K GRADUATION AND PLAY: Our preschoolers will be graduating and performing their play on Wednesday, May 31st at 6:30 PM. Please come and join us for this fun evening!

K-8 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: The last day of school for K-8 students is Thursday, June 1st. Please have your child bring in an extra bag to carry home all of their supplies. Students will be dismissed at noon that day. There is no school on Friday – Graduation is at 6:30 PM.

SCHOOL PICNIC: There will be a school picnic at the end of classes on Thursday, June 1st at Lion's Legend Park on Drexel (the newer area just east of the Fire Department). It is east of Loomis Avenue on the south side of Drexel Avenue. The teachers are not in charge of this, so all children going to the park must have an adult chaperone. If you are not able to bring your child and would like him/her to attend, please arrange for another parent to be in charge. Also, please bring your own lunch. There is playground equipment, as well as tennis courts and a baseball diamond. **Reminder to parents in Grades 1,6 and 7**: Graduation set-up will take place at school following the picnic.

KINDERGARTEN & 8TH GRADE GRADUATION: Our Graduation service is Friday, June 2nd at 6:30 PM. Students should meet in their classrooms at 6:15 PM but not earlier than 6:00 PM. Kindergarten – Grade 8 sing and <u>ALL families are expected to attend</u>. Report cards will be handed out after the service.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP: Camp Phillip will once again be joining us for our Vacation Bible Camp from July 10th – 14th! In order to make our camp a success, we need your help! Sign-up sheets came home last week, and more are available on the lobby bookshelf. Please take a look at the volunteer opportunities and help where you can! Registration forms for campers will be coming in a few weeks.

CHURCH/SCHOOL DOOR LOCKS: Our school has recently installed electronic card readers on the exterior doors to allow access to our church/school. On May 9th we plan to replace the existing key locks on the exterior doors with a new lock. At that point, the only way to gain access to the building is to visit during normal business hours or by using an electronic card supplied by Building and Grounds. Electronic cards have been supplied to Faculty and Church council members. If there is a need for someone to acquire an electronic card, please contact Jeff Graetz at 414-748-2656 or maintenance@stpaulsfranklin.org

LIBRARY TYPEWRITER: Our typewriter in the Library has died. If anyone knows where we can find a used electric typewriter, please let the office know!

INSTRUMENT RECITAL: St. Paul's students will have their instrument recital on Tuesday, May 23rd at 6:00 PM in church. All families are invited to come and support our musicians!

GALA MEETING: It's time to start thinking about our next Gala! Please join us for an informational meeting on Tuesday, May 30^{th} from 7:00 - 9:00 PM in the Bible Classroom.

FOURTH QUARTER MISSION: For our last quarter of the year, we will be collecting for WLHS's Our Hands for His Service project. This year's project is the Zambia Aquaponics program, aimed at bringing a new way to grow vegetables and at the same time bringing fresh fish to the dinner table to villages in Africa. We thank you in advance for your support of this mission!

SCRIP: Our last Scrip/Kwik Trip order of the school year will be placed on Monday, May 15th. Reminder that earnings from anything purchased now will be applied to the 2018-2019 school year.