



*Sacred Heart Catholic School*  
*Principal's Pen*  
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*Value of the Month: Honesty*



We had a bit of the Blarney going on here at SHS this past week. As it turns out, our 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher, Ms. Jena Whitehead had her class create their very own Leprechaun Traps to catch our formidable Leprechaun, Liam, who ransacks our rooms and turns everything on end. What an incredible ELA experience the children had. Their traps were so creative and their stories so believable I can only imagine how honored Liam felt to be the center of attention all week! I will post some pictures of these incredibly, creative Leprechaun Traps on our website for all to see.

Today we will have Freddy Kelly's dad, Fredrick Kelly, in to play the bagpipes and speak to our students about this instrument. Sarah Schiller and Geraldine Buckley will entertain us with their Irish Step Dancing as well.

Next week, March 19<sup>th</sup> through March 23, is the week of our Spring Scholastic Book Fair. I want to say thank you to Mrs. Linda Wajda, (Samuels's mom in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade) for chairing this event, and Mrs. Alondra Rodriguez (Lucas's mom in 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade) for assisting her. Mrs. Wajda has used her creative talents to spice up our fair. Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, is Family Night, and SHS will host a fundraiser at Panera in Monroe. Evening shopping will be from 6:00 to 8:30 pm back at the School Library. We will be having a Poetry Contest in celebration of World Poetry Day, March 21<sup>st</sup>. The contest winner will receive a \$20 Scholastic Book Fair Gift Card and a class visit from Angie our Therapy Dog. There is also a new way to pay for Book Fair purchases...E-Wallet.

Holy Week begins on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Arrangements have been made with Fr. Tom for all of our eligible Catholic students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Holy Thursday.

Because we have used 9 "Snow Days" (with another storm expected by Tuesday,) we will have to give back at least 3 of those days. 6 "Snow Days" are built into the calendar each year. Right now we have 2 options. First, we can come in on Holy Thursday 1/2 day and extend the school year by 2 days, June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> or take the 3 days away from Easter Vacation. But if it

snows on Tuesday and we lose another day we will lose most of our Easter recess. I will make this decision in the next few days.

Remember, the public schools are closed during our Holy Week, therefore Bus Transportation will not be provided Monday through Wednesday. We recommend that parents work together and carpool whenever possible. I am sorry for this inconvenience.

This is just a gentle reminder that the re-registration process has been open since January 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have not received an email from TADS prompting you to re-register, please call the office and we will resend it. The Re-registration Fee is \$100 until March 31<sup>st</sup> at which time it will be raised to \$175. Please re-register your child/ren before March 31<sup>st</sup> as much depends on enrollment...budgets, teachers' contracts and transportation from your school district. **All transportation forms should be signed and returned to Mrs. Liz Costa by Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. These forms will then be sent together to the various Transportation Departments.**

**Dates to Remember:**

- Mar. 16<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Celebration – Bagpipes with Mr. Fredrick Kelly**
- Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> Feast of St. Joseph**
- Mar. 19-23 Scholastic Book Fair All Week**
- Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> Touring Tuesday - 9:00 to 11:00**  
**Agriculture in the Classroom for Grades 1, 2 and 3**
- Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Colonial Day**
- Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup> Pep Rally in the Gym - 1:30**
- Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> Cheer Competition at Mount Saint Mary College (MSMC)**
- Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**  
**Basketball Championship at MSMC**
- April 6<sup>th</sup> End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**
- April 11-12 NYS ELA Testing Scheduled**

