

St. Mary's Home and School Minutes
11-16-16 (8:15 a.m.) at St. Mary's

President's Report:

- Next Charity Dress Down is 12-7-16 collecting money for St. Vincent de Paul.
 - Bre will contact John Olson to see if he'll come talk to the students.
 - There is usually a pizza party for the class who brings in the most. Bre will reach out to get more info.
- Secret Santa Workshop is 12-13-16 and 12-14-16.
- Christmas parties are 12-20-16 at 10:00 for all grades (Pre-School through 5th).
 - Volunteer Santa is needed. Ms. Hamlet will check with Tara to ask about the Santa they use at RMH.
- Teacher Work Day 1-9-17. Will need volunteers.
- Winter Festival is 1-21-17 (5:30-8:30), and has been verified with Fr. Justin.
 - Suzanne will submit a note for the church bulletin about the W.F. and asking for desserts and volunteers to help with face painting and informing of the project(s) we're raising money for.
 - Margie Black is unavailable to cook this year, but she will check with Rebecca to see if she is available. If not, other options were discussed including catering in from local restaurants.
 - Past W.F. money was earmarked for the construction of an outdoor classroom. Questions about how much it costs and what sort of timeframe were posed, but no one knew details.
 - Suggestions were made to have that money go toward a marquee (possibly \$6000-10,000) or toward an iPad cart (see next entry). Decision was tabled until the next meeting to vote. Mrs. Brower will bring more info on the iPad cart, and Sally will bring info on the marquee (including mock-up and pricing).
 - Committees were formed and leaders assigned – Bre to oversee
 - Silent Auction: Tami
 - Common Area (raffles, 50/50 raffle, balloon guy, face painters, decorations, ticket sales): Sally
 - Sally to talk to Mrs. Turk about having the kids make decorations in art class
 - Cooking: TBD
 - Coordinate with room parents (silent auction baskets and games): Suzanne
- Mrs. Brower (3rd Grade) presented a request for an iPad cart for improved technology integration in the classroom.
 - Mobile charging station that holds up to 30 iPads, can be locked, holds headphones
 - Price range \$500-1000 plus the cost of the iPads (watching sales over the next month)
 - Largest class is 22 students, and most classes are 15-16 students
 - Discussed reaching out to local businesses for donations
 - Discussed getting donations at Winter Festival

Vice President's address:

- Sweatshirts have been ordered and should be in after Thanksgiving
- Will relay info on Christmas parties to room parents

Secretary's address:

- Box Tops have been sent in and are in-process.
- Used audiometer has been purchased for \$500 (for hearing screening program to be implemented next fall). It was voted that money raised from dress down day for January (1-5-17) will be used for this program and the equipment. Class that brings in the most will get a reward.
- Room parents have selected the themes for their Silent Auction baskets for the W.F. and will relay to their classes and collect items donated.
 - Kindergarten: slow-cooker basket
 - 1st Grade: Just the 2 of Us basket (items for couples)
 - 2nd Grade: Man Cave basket
 - 3rd Grade: Family Road Trip basket
 - 4th Grade: Family Movie Night basket
 - 5th Grade: Cooking/baking basket

Treasurer's address:

- Income: \$2458.76 Sweatshirt sales, \$14.75 Charity Dressdown, \$6117.69 Book Fair sales, \$293.05 2015-2016 Shoparoo
- Expenses: \$191.91 Grandparents' Day supplies/food, \$500 audiometer, \$2683.82 book fair
- Current balance: \$5994.20 (doesn't include cost of sweatshirts)
- Donors from Grandparents' Day: Mercy (cookies), Big D's and Steve Williams (Donuts and Kolachies), Casey General Store on 32nd and Schifferdecker (coffee), Margie Black (pictures)

Old Business:

- Book fair and Grandparents' Day was a success and raised \$300 more than last year. Will have over \$5000 in Scholastic account. Voted to give each teacher \$200 in Scholastic bucks for Christmas.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Next meeting is 1-5-17 at 6:30 p.m. at Roller City