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**FIRST QUARTER GRADES & REPORT CARDS** – Grades for the first grading period close Friday, October 31. Report cards will be sent home Friday, November 7. All financial obligations must be current or your child's report card will not be released. Please be sure your payments to the school, the parish and PAL are up to date.

**FAMILY AGREEMENTS NEEDED** – Please sign & return the attached sheet per family. You can sign each one individually or simply sign the cover sheet for all three documents. All three documents including the cover sheet that needs signed is on the website. The agreement includes that you & your family have read and approved (Adults & students sign):

1. School Family Handbook – posted on-line & available for printing
2. Internet and School Network Responsibilities agreement
3. Photo release form

**CONE PATROL** – Room 207 is on cone patrol duty the week of 10/27.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WALK THIS SATURDAY & WALK T-SHIRTS** – Join us on Saturday morning at Mt. Mary University for the Arch Catholic Schools Walk as we raise donations for textbooks. Register on-line and get all Walk details a <http://catholicschoolswalk.org/>

For the 180 or so already signed up – 1. RSVP if you want to ride the bus to the Walk from Sebs. The bus will leave at 9:00 a.m. and return at noon. RSVP to 453-5830 or [hohlp@archmil.org](mailto:hohlp@archmil.org). We had the bus company donate the buses last year, but they are unable to do it this year. If you have a company or know of one that would sponsor our buses this year at \$220, let the office know. Otherwise we will do a collection Saturday morning. 2. T-Shirts were sent home in bags with your family name. Wear them to the Walk and students/staff can wear them as part of the uniform on Friday. 3. Join in the family activities at the Walk.

For those not walking, you can still participate by: 1. Get sponsors or donate to Sebs and the reading textbooks - send cash or checks to the school office. 2. Donate new or gently used shoes to help "Stuff the Bus" - we have 4 boxes around school to collect.

Finally, everyone can keep trying to get sponsors to raise money for the Walk - remember we are trying to raise money for textbooks - \$7000 is needed. You can donate on the Walk website via credit card or send cash or checks directly to school and avoid the credit card service fee. Remember, 100% of donations stay at St. Sebastian.

**CONFERENCES** – Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences are November 12 and 13. Conference appointment slips were sent home today with the family mail carriers (not with each individual student). Please check with your mail carrier. Only students in grades K4 – 5 and 6-8 for specials teachers will have an appointment. Students and parents in middle school will wait in line outside of the classrooms to meet with a teacher. If you have any questions or need to change your appointment, please contact the school office.

Conferences for grades K4 – 2 should involve only the teacher and parents. Conferences for grades 3 – 8 involve the teacher, parents and students. Conferences for the first grading period are mandatory and a day of absence will be recorded for those families who do not attend conferences. For middle school families, the recommendation is to see your child's homeroom teacher and any other teachers you feel it is important to see. You do not need to see every middle school teacher.

Grade 6 – 8 teachers will be in classrooms for conferences. You need to wait in line to see them. Middle school teachers have a five minute timer! The timer will be used to keep the conferences moving along and are provided so every family gets a chance to see middle school teachers without long lines and long conferences. If there are multiple middle school children in a family, you will get five minutes per child.

**7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FINE ARTS TRIP TO CHICAGO** – The trip is set for next Wednesday, Oct. 29 with stops at the Art Institute and the new musical “Amazing Grace”. 7<sup>th</sup> grade families – remember we leave at **7:15 a.m.** on the bus – **do not be late!**

**STUDENT COUNCIL**—As we are preparing to elect a governor, we are also looking to elect a new student council for the 2014-2015 school year. Students in St. Coletta and St. Sebastian may participate in student council in grades 5-8. Please read through the handout which gives the timelines and expectations. Any questions should be directed to Mrs. Warner.

**COUNTRY SPRINGS WATER PARK PASSES** - Great news! We are once again selling Country Springs Water Passes for the amazing price of \$12.50 per pass! These passes are a Home and School fundraiser and make wonderful Christmas gifts. For a limited time between now and November 10th, you can order one-day water park passes for \$12.50 each. That is half off the regular rates! Please contact Mrs Saeger at saegerd@archmil.org. Watch for the flyer in backpack mail!

**MARKET DAY**- Remember to get your internet orders ([www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com)) in by 11p Saturday, October 25th! Pick-up is Thursday, October 30th, 3p to 5p in the Cafeteria. If you want to order items for Thanksgiving, NOW is the time! The next sale pick-up date (after Oct. 30th) is December 4th. Thank you for supporting St. Coletta's!

**IT'S 8TH GRADE SETON VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT TIME** – Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls “B” volleyball team qualified for the Seton. The girls play All Saints on Tuesday Oct. 28 at 5:30 at Center Court in Waukesha. Congratulations Boys 8th Grade A Volleyball! The merged St. Jude/St. Sebastian 8th Grade Boys A (Dolan) Volleyball team took 1st place in the St. Leonard's Tournament on Sunday. Two St. Sebastian parishioners, Brian Dorschner and Zach Schumacher are on the team. The St. Jude players include Jack Blair, Beckett Cantwell, Andy Garcia-Velez, David Kopriva, Greg Lyon, Reed Thompson, and Joe Webb. This team is in 2nd Place (7-1) in the A Division just behind Holy Apostles (8-1). They play a final double header this Friday against St. Agnes/St. Anthony and St. Mary-Menomonee Falls. If they win both, they will tie for first. If you would like to see some great volleyball, they play at St. Jude at 8pm and 9pm. They are headed to the Seton and play their pool play first games on Monday, October 27, 2014 at Center Court starting at 5:30. Great job athletes! Go Bobcats and Raiders!

**SEBS BASKETBALL NEWS** – Parent reminder that the basketball meeting is this Wednesday Oct 22 at 7 pm in the gathering space Also, YAC is still accepting registrations through this Friday Oct 24<sup>th</sup>. The link in the newsletter blurb about basketball sign-up is the old one. The correct one is <http://saintsebastianonline.net/community-life/sports/youth-athletic-council-2/>

**THE LITTLE MERMAID, JR.** – November 7, 8 and 9. Come and join us UNDER THE SEA as the St. Sebastian School Theatre presents the Disney version of The Little Mermaid, Jr. on Friday, November 7 and Saturday, November 8 at 7:00 PM and Sunday, November 9 at 2:00 PM in the church hall. Our St. Sebastian schools of fish will sing and dance with Ariel on her journey to fulfill her dream of being human. Be A PART OF OUR WORLD November 7, 8 and 9. Adult tickets are \$6.00 and students are \$3.00.

**DOUBLE DELIGHT** - On Friday, November 7, you can come to the Fish Fry in the school cafeteria and stay for the performance. A whole night of fish...what better way is there to spend Friday night?

**SERVICE HOURS** – Help to chip in the reflection garden this Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 – 3:00. Sign up with Mrs. Sealey at [leahsealey@hotmail.com](mailto:leahsealey@hotmail.com) or call her at 414-774-0836.

**SUSTAINABILITY MEETING** – Interested in earth stewardship/proud of the programs currently in place/think we can do more? Join us Monday night, October 27 at 7:00 PM in the Adult Formation room for our second St. Sebastian Sustainability Meeting. We are working closely with Interfaith Earth Network representatives to determine where we are, where we'd like to be, and what we need to do to get there as a facility, parish, and community. Please add your voice! For more information contact Annalisa Ragatz at 414-778-0260.