

May 17, 2017

Dear Parents,

*For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. ~Jeremiah 29:11*

Saint Olaf Faculty and Staff invite you join us in the celebration of our Eighth Grade Students as they are graduating this Friday at 7:00 in the church. We will pray for our students as they continue their Christ-centered journey, growing Responsibly, Intellectually, Spiritually, and Emotionally.

Congratulations: Anthony, Ashley, Bethany, Jentrie, Mary, Mathew, Sam and Theresa.

### **AUCTION NEWS**

Thank you to all who were able to attend the Auction last Saturday. It was a huge success. We owe this success to Auction Chair Andy Lawson and her many, many volunteers. I would like to thank: Katie Bakker and Tiffany Pienezza for Decorations, Paul and Di Tinker for Kitchen and catering coordination, Jessica and Rory Heacock for Bar Coordination, Diana Evans for Procurement, Phung Matthews and Danny Tillet for Silent Auction, Darcie Wheeler for Live Auction, Medalit Hambly for Database, Pete Lavallee for Check-in/Check-out, Jonathan Bakker for awesome emcee skills, Heather Bird for Photography, Nate Peeler for Clean-up, and the many, many helpers under each committee. The evening went off without a hitch and by the look of the pictures everyone had a wonderful time.

We would like to thank Neely Hammond for the sweet and supportive words about our school and especially the glowing praises for Mr. Vatsend's dedication to his students. We will miss Miameerae and Titan, but know you hold a place in all of our Viking hearts.

We won't have our exact numbers for a few weeks, but I can give some of the numbers!

Your generous donations raised: \$12,700.00 for our second RISE scholarship fund which is exactly double from \$6,350 last year. A deserving family will receive this scholarship for the 2017-18 school year!

Your generous donations also raised: \$12,251.00 for Gift from the Heart. These donations are up from \$10,600 last year. We will put these funds to good use. I will give you the exact earnings as soon as we have them.

If you are a bidder who won a package, but forgot to take your winnings, please contact the office and we can get your package to you.

- **Raffle tickets!** We gave out our prizes last Friday for the top-sellers of Raffle Tickets. It turns out we had a "Grand Prize Winner" who was not announced last week. Brecklyn Jones (7<sup>th</sup>

grade) sold over 400 tickets to become the top seller. We presented her with a super prize basket on Monday. Way to represent the middle school Breck!!

\*I had the privilege of witnessing a bridging ceremony as several of our Daisy Scouts became Brownies last week! Congratulations to: Abby Flynn, Addie Lavallee, Gabriela Hambly, Isabella Nuntapreda and Gigi Tingey. Exciting times are ahead for these incredibly strong group of go-getters!

\*Speaking of Daisy Scouts, if your student is a rising Kindergartener or First Grader, and is interested in becoming a Daisy Scout, please contact Angel Perez at [angelperez218@icloud.com](mailto:angelperez218@icloud.com). She would like to start a troop for our littlest girls.

\*Summer Fit Books have been ordered and will be in soon.

\*EDP is now past due.

\*Many of you may not know that I grew up in Wisconsin. Being a Wisconsinite...I was born to play hockey. And that I did! If you are interested in learning how to play Hockey you can register at: [www.davisyouthhockey.org/learntoplay](http://www.davisyouthhockey.org/learntoplay). Please see the flyer enclosed in your Brown envelope.

\*Today, students will sign yearbooks from 2:00-3:00. They will also have the opportunity to have their yearbooks signed during recess through the rest of this week.

\*Next Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will hold International Day. Each class has been studying a country or culture throughout the year. On Tuesday, their classrooms will be transformed into that country. They will present on culture, food, geography, history, politics, arts and more. This is a wonderful culminating activity for the students to showcase what they have learned throughout the year. A schedule of presentations will be sent out by the end of this week.

**Enclosures:**

Hockey Flyers

**Attachments:**

May Crowning Flyer for Parish

**Important Dates:**

5/18 Confirmation Retreat 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (8:00-12:00)

5/19 Eighth Grade Graduation (7:00pm)

5/23 International Day

5/25 Field Day (12:30-2:45)

5/26 Last day of School! (11:00 dismissal and BBQ)

God Bless,

Mrs. Jacobs

*"We RISE as a community of learners, continually growing as Christ-centered individuals throughout life's journey: Responsibly, Intellectually, Spiritually, and Emotionally"*