Welcome to the first issue of Sacred Heart News and Notes. This monthly publication will highlight the adventures and successes of the Sacred Heart School Community. In this issue we will focus on the new projects that have taken place or are in progress. This is also an opportunity to give a huge thank you to all the donors and those that supported these critical improvements. We will also take this opportunity to focus on the happenings in our lower grades. From the 3 year old's to second grade, our students are busy learning and playing. They are also working to keep Christ as the center of all they do as this is modeled by all faculty and staff ever-

Lighting our Future Campaign

We have so many exciting things going on at Sacred Heart and have been blessed in a variety of ways. One of major changes to the school has been the installation of new energy efficient lighting. We have currently installed the new lights in the upstairs classrooms and library. This was made possible through the Grants to Green program in Dubuque and many donations from the parish and local community. These lights will last for many years and help the school save money on future utility bills.

January

Things to Remember

✓ Sign up for event reminders at: text @wspenc to 81010.
✓ The window to apply for 2017-18 financial aid is open. The deadline is March 30th. Please call the office if you have any questions or concerns.
✓ Catholic School’s Week begins Sunday January 29th. Please join us in the celebration. The complete CSW schedule is on page 4.
Second Grade

Sacred Heart Poets Society hard at work!

First Grade

Here are some pictures of the first graders with the model of our Block Buddy town. We have discussed what a community is, what is found in community and how communities change over time. The first graders will use this model to draw their own maps of the town. They will also create a map key to go along with their maps.

Kindergarten

Upon returning from Christmas vacation the students did a poster activity. Each student drew a picture of their favorite memory from the Christmas break. We defiantly have some future artists at Sacred Heart.
Preschool

Our 3-year-old preschool program has settled into their new room. The nearly doubled space is now on the ground floor of our parish office building and houses two sections of morning classes. Mrs. Manternach teaches the Monday/Wednesday section and Mrs. Althoff teaches the Tuesday/Thursday class. Mrs. Kelly McAtee is the associate for both sections.

The additional square footage and improved layout allows our preschool program to provide multiple play-based centers for optimal learning and engagement. Students enjoy building in the block center, role playing in the dramatic play center, exploring and creating instruments in the music center, creating at the Play-doh center, designing at the art center, exploring at the discovery center, along with plenty of space to move and dance throughout the morning.

Our classroom themes provide a focus for learning, and activities and centers are planned to support those themes. In February, our thematic focus includes Dental Health and Heart Health; our dramatic play center will turn into a doctor office, students will become dentists at the Play-doh center, and we will enjoy some healthy cooking activities. Mornings always pass quickly in our preschool classroom!

Pre-Kindergarten

Working on math and problem solving. How many pre schoolers can you fit in one chair?
Catholic School Week Schedule
Saturday: Mass @ 5:00pm
Sunday: Mass @ 8:30am
Monday: Crazy Hat Day / Bowling  9-11am
K, 3rd and  5th grade.
10:30 - 6th deliver Business  Appreciation Gifts
Tuesday: PJ Day /Thomas the Snowsuit Activity
Wednesday: Wacky Wednesday
Thursday Spirit Day Mass / Family Lunch
Swimming @ Camp Courageous