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Of Tomatoes and Shields...

This week, Fr. Bob asked us all to imagine the largest, juiciest tomato that we could think of, and then to imagine that it, in addition, it was really rotten. Then, he wanted us to imagine all of throwing our juicy, rotten tomatoes at him! What a mess he would be!

Next, he showed us what he could use to

avoid getting so messy—a large shield. As he showed us the shield, he explained that shields are ideal for protecting us from unpleasant things—from the messy to the painful, in the case of wars.

In the same way, in our first reading from the book of Proverbs, a book full of little pearls of wisdom, we read

about how God and His words are like shields for us, keeping us safe. If we read His Word, know His Word, and follow His Word, especially His Word made Flesh—Jesus—we will be protected from evil. God loves us and wants to protect us. So, He has given us His Word, in order to do just that. All we need to do is accept His wonderful powerful gift. Thanks be to God!

In Other News...

Mass Schedule

October 1—planned by 3rd Grade

October 8—planned by 1st Grade

We would like to invite you to celebrate the Mass with your child and his or her class on Wednesdays at 8:45 a.m. Grandparents, other relatives, and friends are also welcome. Hope to see you there!

Library Schedule

September 30—Grades 5 & 6

October 7—Grades K, 1, & 2

Children of the Eucharist

We are excited to announce that Cathedral School will be joining the worldwide movement Children of the Eucharist. On October 3rd, the first Friday of the

month, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., we will be holding a Holy Hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament with prayers lead by our students for peace in families and in the world.

Our children will be joining children from around the world in a movement which has been blessed by both Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI. The prayer for peace, by children, is in response to the call of

Our Lady of Fatima, asking children to pray for peace.

Everyone is welcome to join in this parade of nations and prayers for peace lead by our own children! If you would like to know more about this movement, you can go to the web page: www.childrenoftheeucharist.org, or you can call the school office. Vivat Jesus!

Our Family Label Contest

We are excited to announce that the 3rd Grade class are the winners of the Our Family Label Contest. They collected 704 labels! As a result, the 3rd Grade has won an extra 30 minutes of recess. As a school, we collected almost 2000 labels. Together, we have raised nearly \$200 for the school. Thank you for your help and participation in this contest!

Benefit Dinner

One of our Cathedral School parents, Tammy Brule-Shaver, is currently fighting cancer. Please join us in supporting her in this fight by attending a Spaghetti Dinner, sponsored by the Mentor Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department on Sunday, September 28 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The free will donation will go toward her medical bills. Thank you for your help!

Fluoride Treatment

We are excited to announce that we will begin participating in the Polk County Public Health's Dental Fluoride Varnishing Program this year! Dental varnishing is a fluoride treatment that is applied directly to the teeth every 3-6

months to help stop decay. Fluoride varnish is safe and appropriate for anyone, from children with their first tooth to adults. Polk County Public Health nurses will come to Cathedral School twice a year to perform this service. Their first visit will be on Thursday, October 30. Watch for more information in the upcoming Thursday envelopes!

God's Blessings on Your Birthday

Claire Dufault, Grade 5—
September 25

Allison Larson, Grade 2—
September 29

Sophie Sanders, Grade 1—October
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Fundraising Opportunities

Each week, we will highlight a different on-going fundraiser. This week, we will take a closer look at Box Tops.



At the top of many boxed food products, you can find a "Box Top" label. If you just cut out this small label and send it in to the school, we can earn a surprising amount of money! In addition to food products, Box Top labels appear on a wide variety of other products, too, such as: baby & child care, paper plates, disposable tableware, storage bags, and many others.

In addition to these products, there are many other ways to earn Box Top credit for Cathedral School. You can also shop online at a wide variety of stores, including JC Penney and Land's End.

The brands are too numerous to list here. But, you can get more information online at <http://www.boxtops4education.com>. Or, you can visit the school office.

Thank you for your support. God bless!

Here are some other fundraisers that help Cathedral School:

- Campbell's Soup Labels
- Box Tops for Education
- Ink Doctor
- Our Family Labels
- Target Card
- Giving Tree
- Pop Tops



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School Board Corner

We would like to introduce the officers of the 2008-2009 Cathedral School Board. They are co-chairs Kris MacGregor and Stephanie Olson, and Secretary Colleen MacCrae. Thank you to these people who are willing to serve in these leadership positions!

The Cathedral School Board's next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 22nd at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend!