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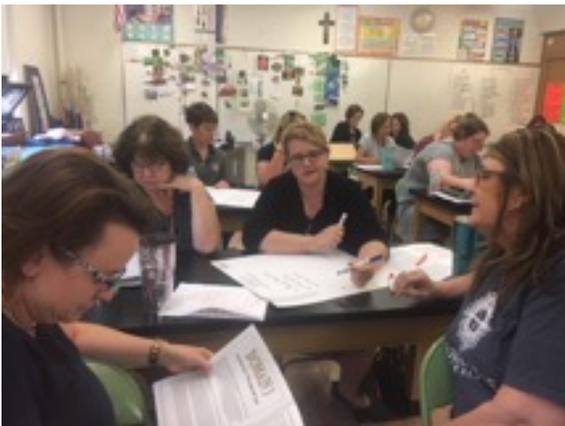
## Principal Letter

October 10, 2018

“St. Therese of the Child Jesus, remember your promise to do good on earth. Pour out with abundance your shower of roses on those who invoke you, and obtain for us from God, the blessings from his infinite bounty through Christ our Lord. Amen”

I am sharing this sweet little prayer to St. Therese of Lisieux with you because it is one of my favorites. I first received it in the mail from the Carmelite Monastery in Darien, IL where I had sent a petition for prayer many years ago. I say it today still...

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## In-Service Day for Teachers

Catholic school teachers from St. Mary/Dixon and St. Anne/Dixon came together yesterday, October 9th for an in-service session on the new Diocesan teacher evaluation tool. We had 26 participants collaborating together and working through the language of the tool. The teachers completed several activities that focused on Domains 1-4 and the 22 components that comprise the new evaluation tool. The new tool has been in the “works” for the past three years. It was a very positive and productive day!

## ALICE Threat Practice on October 11, 2018

Tomorrow is a very important day for all of us at St. Anne School. Sgt. Mike Wolfley from the Dixon Police Department will be helping us conduct a practice drill in the event of a threat situation at our school. ALICE

Training goes beyond lockdown methods by providing individuals with a new set of skills that will greatly increase their odds of survival during an active shooter situation. It will take approximately one half hour to do the drill. We are so grateful to the expertise of the **Dixon Police Department on ALICE—Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate.**

### **Student Health Forms**

October 15th is the deadline for parents to submit the required health and dental forms. If we do not have the forms by the close of business on that day, students will NOT be allowed in school. All families who have not yet turned in these required forms have been notified with a written letter last week. Please check your child's bag! Thank you to those who have responded with the forms.

### **Home and School News**

The regular meeting of St. Anne Home and School Association took place on Wednesday, Oct. 3rd at 5:30pm in the Father Callahan room. Call McClain-President/HSA shared the following information:

1. The Lovable Lunches fundraiser netted \$3,222.72, which is more than last year.
2. The Turkey Trot Chairperson is Katie McNitt. Registration will be online.
3. SCRIP sales are going very well—almost 20% of the school's goal is reached.
4. Hours for St. Anne Cottage are posted. Open Th-Saturday.
5. Trunk-or-Treat will take place on Sunday, Oct. 28th from 11:00am-1:00pm. More information will be on the website.
6. Next HSA meeting is Nov. 7th at 5:30pm.

### **Student Council Bake Sale**

Quick reminder that the St. Anne Student Council members are sponsoring another Bake Sale and Dress Down Day next Thursday, October 28th. Please help the students with this fundraising effort by donating a baked goods item. Thank you to all the families that donated for the last Bake Sale!

### **Dress Code**

Father Doyle would like to extend the end date for students wearing shorts to school to Oct. 19th which is the end of the first quarter. We are optimistic about having nice fall weather.

### **Awards Assembly**

Scheduled for October 26th after all-school Mass and will take place in the church. Families are welcome—come join us for Mass as well. The students love to see their family at Mass with them.

### **Halloween Parade**

The parade is set for 1:00pm as noted on the school calendar; but it will actually step off when the K-3rd grade classes return from their visit to Heritage Nursing Home. I am told that Mrs. Bontjes is the leader of this parade. Room parties will last until 2:30pm. Thank you to all room parents.

### **Oct. 28th Youth Summit**

The 2018 Youth Summit will be held on Oct. 28th from 9:00am—4:00pm at Rock Valley College in Rockford. **Registration forms are due by Oct. 19th.** This is a great day for our 8th grade students so please encourage your son/daughter to attend.

### **Parent Teacher Conference dates are fast approaching!**

Starting next week we will be posting the dates with conference times for parents to sign up. There will be early dismissal on Thursday, Nov. 1st at 1:00pm with conferences times from 4:00-8:00pm. There will also be early dismissal on Friday, Nov. 2nd at 11:00am with conference times from 12:00-3:00pm.

Thank you to all of the grandparents who made the day with your grandchild(ren) so memorable. Thank you to Jenni, our cook, for a delicious goulash luncheon, to Father Doyle for a very beautiful Mass, to Mrs. Rowland

and her second grade students for their leadership at Mass, and to all of the HSA volunteers who came in to help with all of the details on this very special day. It was lovely.