

The Lion's Letter



Celebrating the Epiphany

Dear Parents and Friends of Saint Agnes School,

An incredibly happy 2026 to all of you! I pray this New Year 2026 finds your family filled with joy and peace, especially after the holidays. I hope everyone had a wonderful break and endured the shock and awe of returning to the school routine. After 8 days of my Tri-State Trot, work seems a bit more relaxing. As we begin this new year, I am filled with gratitude for all our community. We are truly blessed here at SAS. 2026 will prove to be an exciting time here at Saint Agnes as we continue to work together to help our students grow in their studies and Faith.

We will be sending re-registration materials home through Constant Contact next week. We ask that you provide all the materials in a timely matter as we have a significant wait pool already. Thank you to so many families who have shared the good word about SAS.

As we move into the season of winter, and as the weather turns cold, I offer this reminder to please allow a few extra minutes to get to school safely and follow the drop off and pick up procedures. Please also make sure your student has a coat as we want the kids to be outside

as much as possible. In the event of a delay or closure we will follow APS.

We will end this month with Catholic Schools Week. We will send out the list of events in next week's newsletter. Please join us for 9am Mass tomorrow. Mrs. Morris' homeroom will serve as Lectors. It has been wonderful to see so many of you at 9am Mass this year.

Fly Eagles Fly!!

Jen Kuzdzal
Principal

Prayer requests

We now offer our prayers for all of those in need of God's Grace

- For the repose of the soul of Greg Wheeling, brother of Mrs. McGrath who passed away this week
- For the repose of the soul of Chris Beck, son of Randall Beck our Yay lunch rep who passed away over the Christmas break
- For a succesful surgery for Mrs. Sherry our Pre-K Lions aide on Monday

Calendar Reminders

Fri., Jan. 9th

- 9am Mass-6B

Mon., Jan. 12th

- Maps Testing Begins for 3-7th grade
- Dress Down Day- Wear White and Blue

Wed., Jan. 14th

- 9:45 am 8th Grade Confessions

Fri., Jan. 16th

- 9:00am Mass - 6A
- 11:30 Dismissal -Extended Day open until 6pm

Mon., Jan. 19th

- School Closed for MLK Day

Tues., Jan 20th

- 7pm-8pm PTO Meeting and Leader in Me Parent Workshop in Parish Hall

Important Calendar Updates: Please Read

St Agnes School will be undergoing its self-study for our re-accreditation over the next several months. We will have a visiting team from the Diocese visit us in the Fall. As part of the process we will need to add three 11:30 dismissals to our calendar so the faculty can meet as a group and then break into our committees. Please add January 16th, Feb 13th and May 8th as 11:30 dismissals. Extended Day will be open until 6pm for all 3 of those dates. Thank you for your understanding.

ST. AGNES PRESENTS

**LEADER IN ME
PARENT
WORKSHOP**

WINE AND CHEESE!

Save the date! Join Mrs. K and Mrs. Rienzi at the next parent workshop for a night of inspiration and motivation.

TUES., 1/20 (IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PTO MEETING AT 7 PM)

FREE DRESS DOWN FOR YOUR CHILD IF YOU COME!

THE HOMEROOM WITH THE MOST PARTICIPATION GETS A TREAT!



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MISSOULA
CHILDREN'S
THEATRE

Music and Lyrics
Michael McGill

Missoula presents: *The Jungle Book*

We want to let everyone know that Missoula is coming back in 2026 with the production of *The Jungle Book*! Missoula will happen this Spring, but it's a good time to start considering whether your child/children want to participate!

SAVE THE DATE!

Missoula Practices will take place the week of April 27th with a performance on Friday, May 1st.

WHAT IS MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATER

The Missoula Children's Theater (MCT), has been touring extensively for nearly 50 years from Montana to Japan, and will visit nearly 1,100 communities this year with up to 44 teams of Tour Actors/Directors.

A tour team arrives at St. Agnes in their "little red truck" loaded with a set, lights, costumes, props and make-up, everything it takes to put on a play....except a cast. The team holds an open audition on the first day and casts 60 St. Agnes students of all grades to perform the production on Friday.

It's a week-long commitment, but is amazing what the children accomplish in that time! **Note that your child/children will need to commit to the full week and cannot miss practices for other activities.**

Have any questions, would like to volunteer, or can lend your home for one of the directors? Contact Jill Hamaker, Erin Mullen, and Carolina Arce at saintagnesmissoula@gmail.com

Student Council

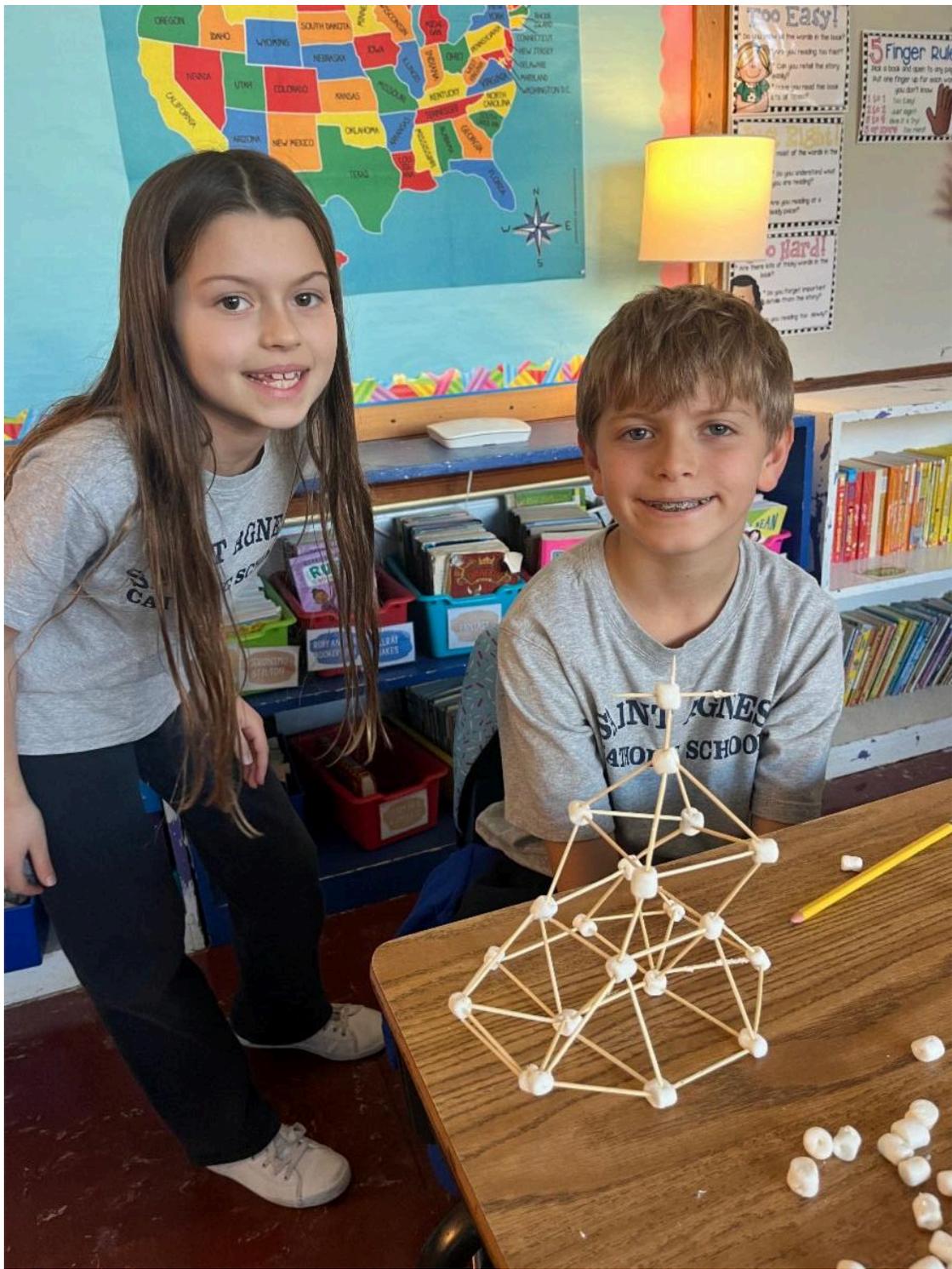
We will sponsor a Dress Down Day on Monday January 12th. Students may dress down in blue and white clothing. Proceeds will go to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Sincerely,
Elle Moon

Scenes from the week



























Dress Down Day Dates for the Rest of the Year. Students are asked to bring in 1.00 to Dress Down for designated charities. Students who do not wish to dress down can wear their PE uniform instead for a 1.00

January: Blue and White, Monday 1/12, wear all blue, all white or a little bit of both.

February: Valentines, Pink and Red Theme 2/12

March: Favorite Book Character- Dress as your favorite Children's book character 3/23

April: Florals/Pastels 4/20

May: Dress Like a Teacher Day- Dress as your favorite teacher, past or present! 5/11

Yay Lunch

The moment we've all been waiting for... menus are now live and ready for you to explore!



Log in to your Yay account to:

- ✓ View your brand new pre-order lunch menus
- ✓ Place your orders
- ✓ Set your selections to repeat and forget the lunch-packing stress

[Log in now](#) to get started!

Let's make this school year delicious from day one. Happy ordering! If you have questions about the ordering process or Yay in general, check our [Yay FAQs](#) or reach out to our Customer Experience team via email at info@theyaycompany.com or SMS Text at (909) 359-6898.

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Our Mission

St. Agnes School is a Catholic community centered on the teachings of Jesus Christ and strengthened by the partnership between parents, who are the primary educators of our students, and our dedicated teaching staff.

We believe in the mission to educate our students so that they become loving Christians, inspired learners, outstanding achievers, natural communicators, and strong servants of God.

Helpful Links



PowerSchool



NWEA-MAPS



Yay Lunch



School Calendar



Google Classroom
Instructions
(grades 3–8)



2025-2026
School Directory

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To subscribe to the weekly school newsletter, please email the School Front Office at mmcgrath@saintagnes.org.

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