



Connecting Students and Families through Faith
January 25, 2026



Upcoming Events

Monday, January 26th

Our Future is Bright Career Fair
HSA Meeting - 6:30

Tuesday, January 27th

Parent Picnic - 11:30
Advisory Council - 7:00

Wednesday, January 28th

CSW Mass with Bishop Hanefeldt
@ 8:15

Thursday, January 29th

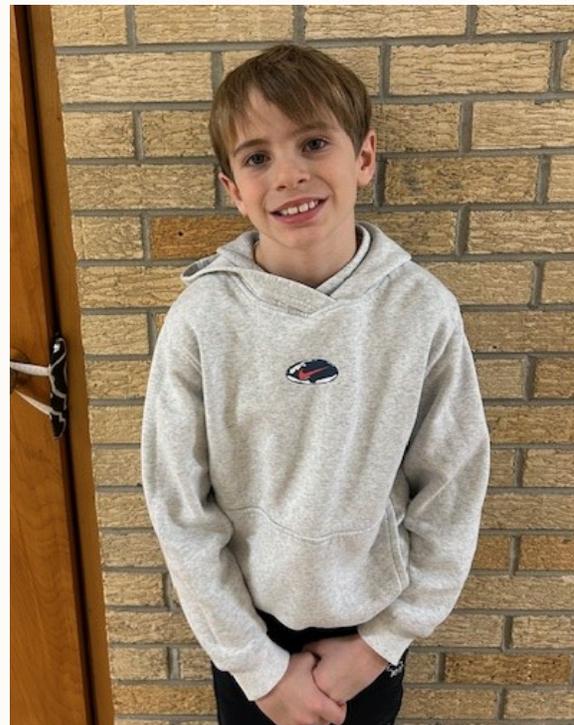
Turn in raffle tickets for counting

Friday, January 30th

Prize Rally - 8:15
Discipleship Friday - wear your
shirt

Welcoming a New Student

St. Agnes 4th grade added a new friend to their class when Hutch Berger joined the group on January 13, 2026. Hutch is the son of Jared & Steph Berger and has 2 older siblings who attend Gering High School. He enjoyed playing baseball with some of the boys from this class so has transitioned smoothly into the group. We are excited to have Hutch and his family join our St. Agnes Community.



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Classroom News.....

Honor Roll Breakfast

Thirty-one 4th & 5th grade students were recognized for their academic achievements in the 2nd quarter at a special breakfast held on Tuesday, January 13th. Students achieving Scholastic Gold or Silver were invited to a breakfast cooked by Mrs. Brown and served by their teachers. We appreciate and commend these students on their outstanding achievements and effort.



Serving the Soup Kitchen

St. Agnes student council members have continued their service work by helping serve at the soup kitchen on the 2nd and 5th Mondays of the month. The students really appreciate the opportunity to help their community in this capacity and they do a great job with this service project. We receive lots of compliments from those who attend on their character and great work.



5th Grade Stem Field Trip

St. Agnes 5th graders were part of a select group of students invited to participate in the 4-H Youth Development STEM Day held at the Panhandle Extension Center on Thursday, January 15th.

The group took part in 4 stations: Drones, Microbits, Mineral Properties and Eggstreme. It was a great day of hands-on learning related to science, engineering and technology. We are grateful to have been chosen to participate.



Reading Incentive Movie Party

Students who met their 1st semester reading goals were invited to attend a movie party held in the gym on Tuesday, January 20th. The group enjoyed popcorn while watching Monsters University. It was a fun celebration for all. We highly encourage all our students to participate in this program as reading outside of school helps ensure greater success in school.



Hot Lunch Menu for January 26th, 2026 - January 30th, 2026

Monday, Jan 26

Sloppy Joe
Sweet Potato Fries
Sun Chips
Banana

Helpers:
Shannon Hafner
Keleigh Hafner

Tuesday, Jan 27

**FAMILY PICNIC
NO HOT LUNCH**

Helpers:

Wednesday, Jan 28

Spaghetti Bake
Romaine Lettuce Salad
Cucumbers
Grapes

Helpers:
Chase Engel
Liz Engel

Thursday, Jan 29

French Toast Sticks
Potato Wedges
Chicken Sausage
Cantaloupe

Helpers:
Mandi Adams
Aurora Linz

Friday, Jan 30

Cheese Enchilada
Black Beans
Spanish Rice
Pineapple

Helpers:
Jordan Carrizales
Danielle Buerrero

What's Happening at St. Agnes School.....



First Grade Class By Kyla Odermann



It's hard to believe we're already halfway through the school year! Time has truly flown by, and our first graders continue to grow smarter and more confident each day. We're especially excited as we look ahead to celebrating the 100th Day of School soon!

In phonics and reading, students have been learning about open and closed syllables, as well as compound words. It has been so exciting to watch them pick up these skills so quickly—our readers are becoming stronger and more independent every day.

In math, we began by learning how to write equations from simple addition word problems. Now, students are moving on to creating equations from subtraction word problems. They are becoming true math thinkers and are learning how to clearly explain their work and reasoning.

In social studies, we have been comparing people, places, and things from long ago to how they are today. The students love making connections and discovering how life has changed over time.

We are looking forward to welcoming a new student to our class in the beginning of February. Everyone is excited to have a new friend and classmate join us. First graders have made amazing progress so far, and we're excited to continue building on their learning as we move through the rest of the year!



Library Room News By Lana Payne



Happy New Year! We all had a wonderful Christmas break and are excited to be back with our "book friends." The library received several new books over the break that were generously donated to its collection. The students are always thrilled to find new books in the library. What a great gift!

During the month of January, the library will feature books about Martin Luther King Jr. Day and introduce books in preparation for February's Black History Month. We'll also feature books about the Winter Solstice, Winter, Penguins, Polar Bears, Snowmen...all things cold, fun, and about winter! We'll have to READ about snow since we haven't had any yet! We'll wrap up January and begin February with Chinese New Year, the year of the Horse.

Students worked hard during the first semester reading toward their Reading Incentive goals. Upper grade students had to read one chapter book per month and complete a project for that book. They were able to choose their own books from multiple genres and then were able to choose what type of project they wanted to present for their particular book. The only caveat, they can't repeat a genre or project type. Lower grade students had to read a specific minimum amount of time each day. Most of that was completed during regular classtime. Those students that achieved their reading goal celebrated with a special movie time activity on January 20th. Good job Readers!!!



Music Room News By Cori Taedter



As much as we enjoyed our much-needed break, we are SO happy to be back at school and getting down to business in the St. Agnes music classroom! Many of our students are preparing to share their many offerings and talents for the student-led Masses during Catholic Schools Week – what an exciting time for our school!

All grades have started the semester by singing their way into sharing one special thing about their Christmas break... it has certainly been fun for us to hear of each other's adventures! Pictured are the very talented PK students exercising their creativity in movement with a streamer dance – I so love to see these expressions each year! K-1st grade students are reviewing classroom instruments and learning new rhythmic concepts so that we may progress to pitch lessons later this quarter. Grades 2-3 are perfecting their performance of the steady beat and various "New Year" rhythm reading and performance; music math, drumming and measure building will be taking center stage in 3rd grade. 4th grade is anticipating the start of the instruments of the orchestra unit, and 5th grade will be delving into pitch study review this quarter, with an introduction to major scales and chords. We have much to accomplish in music class – and we love every minute!

