



St. Stanislaus Kostka School

"Do not walk through time without leaving worthy evidence of your passage." Saint John XXIII

Mrs. Elena Malinconico
Principal

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"When we give ourselves permission to fail, we, at the same time, give ourselves permission to excel." - Eloise Ristad

January 12, 2017

Dear St. Stan's Families:

I had the privilege of speaking to about 10 parents Monday night about homework. It is what I hope will be one of the first in a series of parent information sessions we will be holding throughout the year. One of the things I stressed, is perfection is not always the goal. Sometimes we learn far more through our academic failures as we do when we succeed. When we say it's okay to fail we also say it's okay to strive to reach new heights. This is something we try to instill in students daily.

As January flies by, we are readying ourselves for Catholic Schools' Week and the many activities that we host. I have enclosed a copy of the schedule for the week of January 22nd. Please note, we ask all our students to attend our opening Mass on Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 9am in uniform and then join us for breakfast immediately following in the school cafeteria. Breakfast is sponsored by the HSA. I have also included a list of movies that each class will be watching on student appreciation day. If you have an issue with a movie your child is scheduled to see, please contact the office. Our open house on Sunday is designed to meet potential new families, who would like to attend St. Stan's. I ask that you actively recruit friends and families to join us that day and see what we have to offer. On Tuesday and Thursday for Sports Day and our Class Open House, current parents are invited to join us as well. Please note Friday, January 27th is a 12 noon dismissal with aftercare. We will be having a very informative HSA meeting Wednesday night at 7pm followed by our art show. I hope you can attend. Also please note that by the end of January, the HSA will be sending out work bond status sheets so you can see what is left as part of your obligation.

On a safety note, I am asking that parents do not park or get out of their cars in the fire zone in front of the school during pick up and drop off. It is a safety issue for our students and it disrupts the flow of cars in the parking lot.

Finally, this is a reminder that school is closed on January 16th in remembrance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Also there will be delays again with Sayreville buses at dismissal time; due to the Sayreville School system's half day dismissals on January 23, 30 and 31st. If you would like to avoid delays in your children arriving home, I suggest your child is either picked up at dismissal or goes to after care.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico, Principal

St. Stanislaus Kostka School, Sayreville, NJ
Catholic Schools Week 2017
Schedule of Events

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| January 22, 2017 | 9am Opening Mass
10am-12 noon Open House and Breakfast |
| January 23, 2017 | 9am The Brain Show Assembly |
| January 24, 2017 | 9am-11am School Sports Day |
| January 25, 2017 | Student Appreciation Day Movie
7pm Home School Association Meeting
7pm Student Art Show |
| January 26, 2017 | 10am Open House
1pm Spelling Bee
7pm First Penance |
| January 27, 2017 | Teacher Appreciation Day
12 noon dismissal |

Catholic Schools Week Movie Selections

Preschool and Kindergarten

Enchanted

First and Second Grade

Minions

Third and Fourth Grade

The Secret Life of Pets

Fifth Grade

Nine Lives

Sixth Grade

Remember the Titans

Seventh Grade

Maleficent

Eighth Grade

Ferris Buehler's Day Off



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Department of Education

January 2017

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Catholic schools are a great blessing to the Diocese of Metuchen because they provide the good ground for nurturing the seeds of faith and knowledge in the hearts and minds of all our students, who are the future of our church. Thank you for choosing to give your child(ren) the gift of a Catholic school education, a gift that I know is given at great sacrifice for many families.

For the 2017-2018 school year, we are blessed to make our tuition scholarship program available to families who are in need of financial aid. Scholarships are made possible through *The Foundation for Catholic Education (FCE)*, an endowment fund that provides financial support to aid low and moderate income families who send their children to our elementary and high schools.

To be eligible, your child(ren) must be Catholic, be entering grades K-12 in September 2017, attend 1 of our 23 diocesan, parochial, or regional elementary schools, or Bishop Ahr or Immaculata High School. New students attending the two private high schools in our Diocese (St. Joseph High School and Mount Saint Mary Academy) will need to seek assistance directly from those schools. Eligible students must be registered in one of the parishes within the Diocese of Metuchen (please see the list of eligible parishes on the back of the Required Pastor Signature Form).

Because this process was recently changed and may be unfamiliar to our families and schools, and because some families may not have easy access to the technology needed to complete the online application, we will once again offer FACTS Online Application Workshops. Staff and FACTS representatives will be on-hand to walk families through the application process. All Workshops will have Spanish-speaking staff on-hand to assist families.

Application instructions, deadlines, and a list of application workshop dates and locations are attached. Please note, as in the past, **every application requires the signature of the Pastor of the parish in which you are registered.** No application will be reviewed without the **Required Pastor Signature Form, which must be signed by your Pastor and returned to the school/s your child/ren will attend in September.** If you have questions, please call our Tuition Assistance Hotline at 732.562.1990, ext. 1610.

Thank you for the blessing you are to our children and our church and for your continued commitment to Catholic school education.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Corona, PA, KCHS
Executive Director, Department of Education

Enclosures

Diocese of Metuchen ~ FCE Scholarship Fund
FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment
Online Application Workshops
2017

Parents/Guardians must register for a specific workshop. To register, please go to: www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance and select "Workshop Registration." Available workshop locations, dates and times are:

Diocese of Metuchen, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway

Thursday, February 9, 2017: 2 pm – 4pm AND 6 pm – 8pm (Spanish Translator Available)
Wednesday, February 15, 2017: 2 pm – 4 pm AND 6 pm – 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

Perth Amboy Catholic Upper School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy

Monday, February 27, 2017: 2 pm – 4 pm AND 6 pm – 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

Perth Amboy Catholic Primary School, 613 Carlock Avenue, Perth Amboy

Wednesday, March 8, 2017: 2 pm – 4 pm AND 6 pm – 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

Sts. Philip & James School, 137 Roseberry Street, Phillipsburg

Wednesday, February 8, 2017: 2 pm – 4 pm AND 6 pm – 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

If you wish to begin filling out your application at the workshop, please bring as much of the following documentation as you have available: a copy of your 2015 IRS Federal Form 1040, 1040A or 1040-EZ US Individual Income Tax Return (if Applicant and Co-Applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year); Copies of all 2016 W2, 1099, or 1099R Wage and Tax Statements for both the applicant and co-applicant; Copies of all applicable supporting tax schedules; Copies of all supporting documentation for household non-taxable income such as Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Worker's Compensation, or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

If you have any questions regarding the FACTS Online Application Workshops, please call 732.562.1990, extension 1610.

Kiddie Keep Well Camp



Summer Camp

Ages 7-13 and Leadership Program 14-15

- Arts and Crafts
- Music/Dance
- Free Swims
- Swim Lessons
- Camp Fires
- Healthy Cooking
- Fire Prevention
- Free Dental Screenings
- Free Camp Physicals
- Nature/Environmental Science
- Sports
- Group games
- Creative Writing
- Literacy
- Cookouts

And Lasting Friendships

Senior Citizens' Weeks

June 5- June 9

June 12 – June 16

August 21-25

Campers' Sessions

Session I June 28 – July 8

Session II July 12 - July 22

Session III July 26 - August 5

Session IV August 9 - August 19

Gateway Weekend August 21 – August 25

Registration open to qualifying
residents of Middlesex County, NJ

NO COST!

Applications available through your
child's school nurse starting January

2017

For more information or to schedule a site visit,

Call Kiddie Keep Well Camp at 732.548.6542

www.Kiddiekeepwell.org