

St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

Mrs. Elena Malinconico Principal

www.sskschool.org 732-254-5819

"10,000 hours to perfection!"

January 23, 2019

Dear St. Stan's Families:

Studies have shown that in order for someone to truly master a skill, they need to practice it for 10,000 hours. The Olympic gymnast, the concert violinist, the champion chess player all have worked at their craft for at least 10,000 hours to be at that world class level. It is hard for any of us to imagine doing anything for 10,000 hours but the point of this is that education requires time and dedication just like anything else we want to be successful at. As we enter Catholic Schools' Week, we pause to realize how hard our students work towards being successful and how our teachers nudge them towards success. I look forward to seeing everyone at the opening Mass on Sunday at 9am followed by breakfast at 10am and our open house for potential new families.

During Catholic Schools' Week we have our Student Appreciation Day on Wednesday, This is a dress down day for all students and we will be showing the following movies. If you have any objection with the choice please let the office know so we can make different arrangements for your child.

PreK, Kindergarten, 1, 2,5

Grades 3,4

Grades 6,7

Grade 8

The Incredibles 2

Smallfoot

Jumanji

Back to the Future

Please remember that this marking period there will be no hard copies of report cards printed. You can view your child's grades on Power School. We will send a Honeywell out when all grades and comments are ready to be viewed. Additionally, our new re-registration procedures are included in this week's white envelope along with a full schedule of next week's activities. Finally, the HSA will be sending out work bond statuses next week so you can view what you still need to complete to fulfill this year's workbond.

I look forward to celebrating Catholic Schools' Week and I hope I get to see you during this celebration.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico, Principal



FEBRUARY 2019 ST. STAN'S SCHOOL



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3	2:00-3:00 Our Lady of Guadalupe & Lambs Club Last Week of Block B Clubs	2:00-3:00 Wiffle Ball Club & Chorus	6 11:50 Dismissal	7 2:00-3:00 Dr. Seuss Club	Chiefs of Police Coach Bingo	9
10	11:50 Dismissal Block C Clubs Begins This Week	2:00-3:00 Wiffle Ball, Cooking, Book Club & Chorus Ms. Eber & Mrs. Pagnotta Title I	13 2:00-3:00 Art & Religion Club Mrs. Krolick Title I	Ms. Eber Title I Happy Valentine's Day	15 11:50 Dismissal	16
17	Presidents' Day - School Closed	2:00-3:00 Wiffle Ball, Cooking,Book Club & Chorus Ms. Eber Title I	20 2:00-3:00 Art & Religion Club Mrs. Krolick Title I	21 Ms. Eber Title	22	23
24	2:00-3:00 Our Lady of Guadalupe & Lambs Club	26 2:00-3:00 Wiffle Ball, Book Club & Chorus Confessions Ms. Eber & Mrs. Pagnotta Title I	27 2:00-3:00 Art & Religion Club Mrs. Krolick Title I	28 Ms. Eber Title I		



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ST. STAN'S BOOK FAIR

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to work the Book Fair. This will count as your "other" towards your work bond commitment.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27TH 9:00 a.m. TO 12:00 p.m.

Ted Tympanick, Vairona Mikhail, Carla Ferro, Paul Intili, and Nathalia Tejada

MONDAY, JANUARY 28^{TH} 7:30 a.m. TO 11:30 a.m.

Brittany Delgado

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29^{TH} . 7:30 a.m. TO 11:30 a.m.

Alicia LaVine and Nadia Oswald-Hamid

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 7:30 a.m. TO 11:30 a.m.

Alina Gardea

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31 7:30 a.m. TO 11:30 a.m.

Linda Castillo





St. Stanislaus Kostka School, Sayreville, NJ Catholic Schools Week 2019 Schedule of Events

January 27, 2019	9am Opening Mass 10am-12 noon Open House and Breakfast
January 28, 2019	9am The Brain Show Assembly Souper Fun Day (Donate a can of food get to wear your favorite team jersey, t-shirt or sweatshirt)
January 29, 2019	9am-11am School Sports Day 12-1:40 Our Lady of Guadalupe Mexican Prayer Service, Feast, and Dancing (tent)
January 30, 2019	Student Appreciation Day Movie, Snacks, and Dress Down
January 31, 2019	10am- 11am Pre-K-3 Academic Academic Olympics 12:30:pm to 1:30pm Spelling Bee 7pm First Penance
February I, 2019	Teacher Appreciation Day 8th grade Student Teachers 11:50 dismissal

All week the school will be open for observation of classes by prospective parents.

Italicized and purple events are open to all school parents.



Raise Money For Your School While Having Fun! Family, Friends & Fans Are Invited!

URBAN AIR MILLTOWN: 396 RYDERS LANE RYDERS CROSSING SHOPPING CENTER, MILLTOWN, NJ 08850











SLAM DUNK

OF PROCEEDS DONATED BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL THURSDAY JANUARY 24th



Come Support St. Stanislaus Kostka School from 6-8pm Ultimate Pass \$27.99 with socks!

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SAINT STANISLAUS KOSTKA SCHOOL

"A Small School Doing Big Things"

221 MacArthur Avenue * Sayreville, NJ 08872 * 732-254-5819

JANUARY 2019

TEACHER OF THE MONTH

Miss Catherine Eber

Kindergarten's very own, Miss Eber, is January's Teacher of the Month! She has been teaching at Saint Stan's for 5 years. The children adore and cherish her! Miss Eber has made a long-lasting impact on these beginning learners.

Q: What has been your most memorable experience of the 2018-2019 school year?

A: "It is really hard to pick one moment in my teaching career that stands out. I enjoy every year I have spent so far at St. Stan's with wonderful groups of students. Some of my favorite moments are when former students remember special activities we did in class in 3rd grade, even when they have reached middle school! My time in Kindergarten has been so rewarding. It is truly special to watch a child learn a new math skill, read a new sight word, or read a book for the first time! I am so glad I get to be a part of their learning experience."

Q: What are you most looking forward to in 2019?

A: "For the new school year I am looking forward to more exciting days in Kindergarten. We have our 100th day of school coming up in February. The students work on 100 day projects with their classmates. It is a very fun day! I also love to watch how much the students have grown throughout the school year. They come so far in a short 8 months."

Thank you for all you do! Congratulations Miss Eber!



CURRENT EVENTS

Saint Stan's students had a busy December preparing for the Christmas Season! Our Religion Club, led by Mrs. Grover, focused on serving others by participating in a variety of charity events. Together, as a school, the students raised nearly \$350 for The Bristol Myers Squibb Children's Hospital and donated over 40 toys to children in need. The Religion Club also performed "The Nativity: An Original Play," written and directed by Elizabeth Bera and Catherine Williams. The students did an amazing job and showed the true meaning of Christmas!



What would Christmas be without our students dressing-up in their holiday best and performing seasonal songs at the annual Christmas Show!? No better way to wrap up the night than with a performace of "Momma Mary." We are blessed to have Mrs. Kubeck back with us to continue this special Saint Stan's tradition!



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SAINT STANISLAUS KOSTKA SCHOOL

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

January



Congratulations to our amazing students! Keep up the good work!

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 11th:

Science Assembly, "Energy R.A.P."

January 27-31st:

Catholic Schools Week

January 27th:

9am Mass; 10-12pm Open House/Breakfast

January 31st:

First Penance

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS



Our 7th & 8th grade boys basketball team won **First Place** in the St. Stanislaus/Our Lady of Victories Christmas Tournament over the Christmas break! These young men played as a team and won as team!

Go Falcons!

CLUB



The Lamb's Club, under the guidance of Mrs. Vitale & Miss Eber, brings together our 8th graders and our youngest learners to help them with their Language Arts and Math skills! Working together is key to success!

ALUMNI NEWS - Where Are They Now?

Sonny Gottstine (Class of 2009) recently received his Master's Degree in Engineering from The New Jersey Institute of Technology! Give him a high-five if you see him around! He is still actively involved with our school and parish! Go Sonny!

JUST FOR FUN...

- 1. Fill in the blank..
 - "A Wise Man Once Said ____."
- 2. What year did the Saint Stanislaus Kostka School open?
- 3. What date do we celebrate The Feast of Saint Nicholas?
- 4. What nickname was given to Saint Stanislaus Kostka Church when it first opened?

Email your name and answers to : newsletter@sskschool.org

If you know of any families that might be interested in seeing what Saint Stan's has to offer, please have them visit us at our Open House or stop by the school during Catholic Schools Week for a sneak peak at all our wonderful school has to offer! Prospective families will receive a tour of our school, as well as get a chance to meet our incredible teachers!

Follow us on Instagram - @sskschool Like us on Facebook - St Stans School Sayreville Visit us on our website - sskschool.org

WIFFLE BALL CLUB

The after school Wiffle Ball Club under the direction of Mrs. Grover will meet on Tuesdays from 2:00-3:00 PM. Block C will begin the week of February 11 – April 1. Membership will be open to students in grades 1 & 2 only. Meeting dates will be indicated on the monthly school calendars. Students will need to wear gym uniforms, sneakers and will need to provide their own water bottle.

It is important to be aware that meetings will be cancelled in the event of adverse weather conditions (snow or early dismissals).

As per our school policy, students that are not provided with transportation home by 3:05 PM will be put into the After Care program at an hourly rate.

For safety reasons, students will be required to attend all meetings unless we receive a parent note or a phone call to the office stating otherwise. Students are not permitted to call home regarding club meetings. For this reason, parents are asked to look over monthly school calendars carefully. In fairness to all, students who are uncooperative or not actively participating will be removed from the club.

Please fill out and return this sheet no later than Monday, February 4 th .					
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Student's Name					
Grade _					
Parent's Signature _					
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ART CLUB

The after school Art Club under the direction of Mrs. Laffey & Mrs. Smith will meet on Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 PM during Block C beginning the week of February 11 – April 1. Membership will be open to students grades 3-5 only. Meeting dates will be indicated on the monthly school calendars.

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Please fill out and return this sheet no later than Monday, February 4 ^{th.}						
I request that my child join the Art Club. I have read and agree to the above-stated conditions.						
Student's Name						
Grade						
Parent's Signature						
In the event of an emergency, I can be reached at the following phone number from 2:00-3:00 PM on meeting days:						

BOOK CLUB

Mrs. Bellouny will be facilitating the after school Book Club which will meet on Tuesdays from 2:00-3:00 from the week of February 11 - April 1 and will be open to students in grades 3-5 Please be aware that you will need to provide your own pencils, crayons or colored pencils. It is important to be aware that meetings will be cancelled in the event of adverse weather conditions (snow or early dismissals).

As per our school policy, students that are not provided with transportation home by 3:05 PM will be put into the After Care program at an hourly rate.

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Please fill out and return this sheet no later than Monday, February 4 ^{th.}						
I request that my child join the 2018-2019 school Book Club. I have read and agree to the above-stated conditions.						
Student's Name						
Grade						
Parent's Signature						
In the event of an emergency, I can be reached at the following phone number from 2:00-3:00 PM on meeting days:						

COOKING CLUB

The after school Cooking Club under the direction of Mrs. Foret & Mrs. Hodder will meet on Tuesdays from 2:00-3:00 PM from the week of February 11 – April 1. Membership will be open to students Grade 8 only. There is also a supply fee of \$10.00 that would need to be paid at the time of registration. Meeting dates will be indicated on the monthly school calendars.

It is important to be aware that meetings will be cancelled in the event of adverse weather conditions (snow or early dismissals).

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Please fill out and return this sheet no later than Monday, February 4th.						
I request that my child join the Cooking Club. I have read and agree to the above-stated conditions.						
Student's Name						
Grade						
Parent's Signature						
In the event of an emergency, I can be reached at the following phone number from 2:00-3:00 PM on meeting days:						

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT REQUEST FOR LOAN OF TEXTBOOKS

Date:	*	
Public School District: Address:		•
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Signature of Parent/Guardian:		
Date:		

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Department of Education

January 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Thank you for choosing to give your child(ren) the gift of a Catholic school education, a gift that we realize is given at great sacrifice for many families.

For the 2019-2020 school year, we are blessed to make our tuition scholarship program available to families who need financial aid. Scholarships are made possible through *The Foundation for Catholic Education (FCE)*, an endowment fund that provides financial support to aid low-income families who send their children to our elementary and high schools.

To be eligible your child(ren) must be Catholic, must be entering grades K-12 in September 2019, must be registered with your household in one of the parishes within the Diocese of Metuchen (please see the list of eligible parishes on the back of the Application Instructions Form), and must attend 1 of our 22 diocesan, parochial, or regional elementary schools, or Bishop Ahr or Immaculata High School. 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.

Families that require computer access and/or assistance with the online application may attend one of two FACTS Online Application Workshops. Staff and FACTS representatives will be on-hand to walk families through the application process. Both workshops will have Spanish-speaking staff available to assist families.

Application instructions, with deadlines, and an Application Workshop schedule are attached or online at diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance. Please note, you are responsible for completing the Parish Verification Form, getting it signed by your Pastor, and returning it to the FCE at the mail or email address provided. We are not able to consider an application without this form, signed by the Pastor. Please call your parish if you are uncertain about your registration status. If you have application 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 commitment to Catholic school education.

Sincerely,

Ellen Ayoub

Superintendent of Schools

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Enclosures



Foundation for Catholic Education

Scholarship Fund

Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship Program 2019-2020 FGAA Application Instructions

Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an online application at https://online.factsmgt.com/aid. The application period is now open and will officially close on March 31, 2019. Awards will be announced on or before the first week of June 2019.

Online applications are available in Spanish and English. The application fee is \$35 and must be paid online at the time you submit your application, otherwise your application is considered incomplete. Forms of payment include debit cards, most major credit cards, or an electronic check.

ELIGIBILTY

To be eligible to apply for a Foundation for Catholic Education Scholarship:

- Student must be Catholic;
- Student must be entering grades K-12 in September 2019;
- Student must be attending one of our 22 diocesan, parochial, or regional elementary schools, or Bishop Ahr or Immaculata High School;
- Student must be registered in one of the parishes within the Diocese of Metuchen (see list of eligible schools and parishes on reverse side or go to www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance to view a list); and
- Your parish must verify that you are registered, and you must submit a Parish Verification Form signed by you and your Pastor
 - 1. Forms are available for download at www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance or from your school
 - 2. Forms must be mailed or emailed to the Foundation for Catholic Education By Mail: The Diocese of Metuchen, Foundation for Catholic Education, 146 Metlars Lane, Metuchen, NJ 08840-0191 By Email: FCE@diometuchen.org
 - 3. Forms are due to the FCE by no later than March 31, 2019. If your parish registration is not verified, your application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed for an award.

APPLICATION

Documents required, but not limited to, include:

Copies of your 2017 Federal Income Tax Return Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ (as filed with the IRS) for the applicant and co-applicant, including all supporting tax schedules.

- Copies of your 2018 W-2 form/s for both you and your spouse or co-applicant.
- Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and TANF.

Supporting documentation can be:

- Scanned and uploaded in .pdf format directly to your application;
- Faxed to 866.315.9264; or
- Mailed to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment, P.O. Box 82524, Lincoln, NE 68501-2524. Please be sure to include your applicant ID on all faxed or mailed correspondence. Do not mail documentation after April 3, 2019.
- NO APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED BY MAIL, and the link will be deactivated April 16.

WORKSHOPS

- Attending a workshop is not required attend if you need one-on-one assistance with the application or computer/internet access.
- Workshops will be held at Perth Amboy Catholic School, 500 State Street, Perth Amboy on:
 - 1. Wednesday, January 23, 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm (Spanish translator available)
 - 2. Thursday, February 7, 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm (Spanish translator available)
- For general questions about the application, contact a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 866.315.9262, or call the Tuition Assistance Hotline at 732.562.1990, ext. 1610.
- Registration is not required—Assistance is first come, first served.

Diocese of Metuchen ~ FCE Scholarship Fund FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment Online Application Workshops 2019

Parents/Guardians who need assistance with the online application, or computer/internet access may attend one of two scheduled workshops. Registration is not required, but assistance is on a first come, first served basis. Available workshop locations, dates and times are:

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

Wednesday, January 23, 2018, 2 pm to 4 pm and 6 pm to 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

Thursday, February 7, 2019, 2 pm to 4 pm and 6 pm to 8 pm (Spanish Translator Available)

If you applied to FGAA online in a previous school year, please bring your username and password.

Please bring as much of the following documentation as you have available:

- a copy of your 2017 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 2018 W2, 1099, or 1099R Wage and Tax Statements for both the applicant and coapplicant;
- 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.

FAMILY FUNDRAISING NIGHT! ST. STANISLAUS KOSTKA SCHOOL

Bello's Family Restaurant







1 Roosevelt Blvd., Parlin, NJ Tuesday, February 12th 4:00PM-Close

Come celebrate Valentine's Day with us and support St. Stan's School!

Please Mention St. Stan's to Your Server 10% of Proceeds Are Donated to St. Stan's!