

#### St. Stanislaus Kostka School

"We can do hard things."

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December 3, 2020

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

We are nearing our end of virtual instruction, thank goodness! I know this is not how any of us want school to be, and I am praying for in-person instruction to take us through to Christmas break. We are closed for a Bishop's holiday on **December 7**, and will return to the building for in-person instruction on **December 8**.

As I mentioned in my previous letter, we have worked hard to maintain a zero transmission rate within our building, which is why this diocesan mandated week of virtual instruction is so important. If you traveled during Thanksgiving break, please make sure you quarantine your child if necessary and contact the office so the teacher may be informed. If you have any questions regarding possible contact, please continue to contact the school. Going forward it is important that everyone wear their masks during drop-off and pick-up, and keep their children home should they exhibit any symptoms. We would rather air on the side of caution than have a potential exposure in our building. The safety of our students and faculty is most important.

Some up-coming events for our students include:

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ring Ceremony December 8
- Lifetouch picture retakes December 10
- Jesse Tree Ceremony December 11
- Canvas and Cocoa (Gr. 3-5) December 11 @ 6:45 PM
- 11:50 Dismissal December 14
- Christmas themed dress down day/\$3.00 December 17

If you have any questions please contact the office. Thank you for all of your help, support, and understanding as we tackle this unprecedented school year. I've always said that St. Stan's parents are the best!

Regards, Lori Hodder

**Principal** 

## St. Stan's HSA Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

Saturday, December 5th 3pm-7pm Curbside Pick-up behind the school

Dinner includes:
Roasted 1/2 Chicken,
Baked Potato, Green Beans,
Dinner Roll & a Slice of Apple Pie

Tickets will be sold after Masses, in the Church office, or by contacting Gina at 732-277-2552

Pre-sale dinner \$15 Drive-up dinner \$16

# St. Stan's HSA CHRISTMAS 50/50 RAFFLE



\$5 Tickets available before/after masses; parish office or contact Beth Poulsen (bethie726@aol.com)

12/22 - 5pm Facebook Live Drawing



Don't forget to get your Calendar Raffles too! First drawing 1/3/21









## Christmas Chassroom Decorating Contest

This year, with all of the COVID restrictions, I thought it would be fun to have a classroom decorating contest!

#### The rules are simple:

- A Check with your teacher before bringing anything in
- & Be creative!
- ▲ You can decorate any part of the room.
- Make sure to be safe! Do not block doorways or walkways.
- A You can bring in things from home or make things
- **A** You need to work as a team!
- 🌲 It must be completed by December 21!

The winning classroom will be announced the day we leave for Christmas break. They will receive a dress down day.

I cannot wait to see all of the classrooms! Have fun!

### Working Together to Help Those in Need

Dear St. Stan's Families,

This Saturday, December 5th from 9 am to 1 pm the Sayreville Police Department will be collecting new unwrapped toys at the Walmart by Gateway Mall. These toys will be donated to the Sayreville Recreation Department's toy drive to help needy families this holiday season.

If you are unable to drop off your toy donation to the Sayreville Police Department on the date above and location, but still would like to donate, please contact Mrs. Grover at <a href="mailto:lgrover@sskschool.org">lgrover@sskschool.org</a> to make other arrangements.

Thank you very much for your help!
May God Bless You and Keep You Safe!

Thank You Sayreville Police Department for all that you do to help our community!





## Spread Joy this Christmas for Families in Need

The Helping Hands Ministry in Perth Amboy assists families with small children with the basic items they need to care for their children. Through community donations, the ministry is able to supply the families with clothing, diapers, wipes, car seats, cribs, strollers, etc. As you can imagine, most, if not all of these parents, cannot afford to purchase presents for their children during this time of the year.

Our school will be helping out the ministry again this year. Instead of collecting toys as we have done in the past, we will be collecting monetary donations that will be used to purchase gift cards for families in need. The families can then buy toys for their children this holiday season.

We are asking for a donation of \$10.00 per family, but of course any amount is appreciated. Mrs. Grover will be purchasing the gift cards.

If you would like to donate, please send in your donation by Monday, December 14th to the attention of Mrs. Grover.

Thank you for your generous support during the most wonderful time of the year - when we celebrate giving in honor of God's gift of His only son.

