



# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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**Mrs. Lori Hodder**  
Principal

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"We can do hard things."

December 21, 2023

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Show as much as I did! All of the students' performances were amazing, and it was nice to see everyone before we begin our Christmas vacation. Below are the last few events to finish off 2023, and begin 2024.

- Dec. 21 – Mass 9:00 AM/11:50 AM dismissal/Free dress up day/NO AFTERCARE/HSA Grinch Breakfast  
Christmas break begins – Classes resume January 2, 2024
- Jan. 2 – Classes resume
- Jan. 5 – First Friday Mass 9:00 AM
- Jan. 8 – 11:50 AM dismissal
- Jan. 15 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day/NO SCHOOL

Thank you for all that you do to make St. Stan's such an amazing place. I truly appreciate your efforts that help our school be so successful.

*I wish you and your loved ones a very Merry Christmas! Best wishes for much health and happiness in the New Year.  
May God bless you, always.*

Warmest Regards,


*Lori Hodder*

Principal



# JANUARY 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																																	
	<i>1</i> New Year's Day - School Closed	<i>2</i> Return back to school	<i>3</i> 2:00-3:00 Lego Club	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i> 9:00 Mass	<i>6</i>																																																	
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<i>21</i> 10:00-12:00 Open House  9:00am Catholic Schools Week Mass - students attend in their uniforms	<i>22</i> 2:00-3:00 Chorus  Block C Clubs Begin  Book Fair	<i>23</i> 2:00-3:00 Wiffle Ball Club  Book Fair	<i>24</i> 2:00-3:00 Student Council & Drama Club  Book Fair	<i>25</i> 2:00-3:00 Religion Club  Book Fair	<i>26</i> 11:50 Dismissal	<i>27</i>																																																	
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# Winter Coat Drive

## including gloves, hats, & scarves

### January 21st to January 29th

January 22nd is our *Christian Service Day* of Catholic Schools Week. Various service projects will be started this day to continue our mission to help those in need.

We will be collecting gently used or new winter coats, hats, gloves, and scarves for the homeless. These items will be donated to the Blessing Bag Brigade NJ who will distribute the items to those in need. Men's winter clothing is also in need.

There will be collection bins in the main entrance or items packed in bags can be dropped off in front of the school from 7:30 am - 2:30 pm during the school day. The Religion Club will be separating the items collected to make distribution easier for the Blessing Bag Brigade.

***Items can also be brought to the school during our Open House (breakfast included) on January 21st from 10 am - 12 pm following the Opening Mass of Catholic Schools Week at 9 am.***

Thank you for your continued support to help those in need.  
Please contact Ms. Grover [lgrover@skskschool.org](mailto:lgrover@skskschool.org) for any questions.

*The Blessing Bag Brigade NJ is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to showing compassion and humanitarianism towards those in need.*

*Committed to aiding the homeless and educating the public.*

[www.blessingbagbrigadenj.org](http://www.blessingbagbrigadenj.org)



# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

221 MacArthur Avenue, Sayreville, NJ 08872



## Clothing Drive



### January 5th - 16th

Please place donations in bags that seal like plastic trash bags  
On Saturdays and Sundays, donations can be left in the lobby of the church  
before and after all masses.

During the school week, donations can be left outside of the school at the  
front entrance.

## HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL AND CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS!

**We will be collecting new or gently used men, women and  
children's clothing, shoes, purses, belts, bed and bath linens  
and stuffed animals.**

NO Pillows, Books, Toys, Furniture, Appliances, or Household items.

There will be a separate coat, hat, glove, scarf drive January 21-29. Please save  
any of these items until then.

### Thank you for your support!

*If you have questions, contact Betty Vitale at [bvitale@sskschool.org](mailto:bvitale@sskschool.org). The clothing that is collected is distributed to local thrift stores and in areas in need of clothing. B & B Management Co. **does not** shred the clothing for rags. All clean and wearable clothing and shoes are reused by less fortunate people and families. The clothing does not end up in the landfill thus helping to keep American green and clean.*



*Dive* into St. Stan's School spirit at the ***Polar Bear Plunge for Catholic Education*** sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 2 Monmouth.

The plunge will take place on Sunday, February 4th in Sea Bright, New Jersey at the Municipal Beach. Registration begins at 11 am and closes at 12:30 pm (Ms. Grover will register our team). 12:45 pm we line up on the beach and 1:00 pm is plunge time!

The money raised from this event will go towards the 2023-2024 Project Fundraisers: School Boiler Replacement and School/Church AC Replacement with 15% donated to St. Jude Children's Hospital. Out of uniform passes will be given to plungers and to sponsors of our team.

Additional information will go home the first week in January. Polar Bear Plunge Spirit Wear/items will be available for purchase. Items with the school logo will also be available.

*We look forward to another great event, and we hope you will join us!*

(\$30.00 plunger registration fee)

If you have any questions,  
please contact Ms. Grover [lgrover@sskschool.org](mailto:lgrover@sskschool.org)

# THE WIZARDS ARE COMING TO TOWN!



**VS.**

**South Amboy Stars**

**Venue: SA Middle/High School**

**Date: 1/6/24**   **Game Time: 6pm**   **Doors Open: 5pm**

**SNAG OFFICIAL WIZARDS GEAR!**



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