

St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"We can do hard things."

September 14, 2023

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

Week two is almost in the books! Hopefully the extreme heat is behind us, and we can continue to settle in to this new school year.

Our Back-To-School Night is scheduled for next Wednesday, **September 20**. We will begin at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria, with a few words from myself and the HSA. After that, there will be three fifteen-minute Information sessions where you can visit with your child's teacher(s). **We ask that all middle school parents do the first session in their child's homeroom.** We will also have representatives from our HSA (Home -School Association) and the Parish Athletic Association there to answer any questions.

Next week we are also running our first Book Fair of the year, and it will be open during Back-To-School Night. We will also be selling Smencils that evening, which will be cash only. Thank you in advance for helping with all of our school's fundraising efforts.

I have sent home another copy of the uniform guide so everyone can see the correct uniform pieces for each season/uniform. Pictures will be posted so everyone can see how the proper uniforms look. Our 8th grade is also selling Spirit Wear, and the fleece is an approved uniform piece.

Thank you for all that you do for our school! We have a lot of fundraisers and events coming up, and your participation is so appreciated. May God continue to bless all of you and your families. You are always in my prayers.

Warmest Regards. Lori Hodder

Principal

St. Stanislaus Kostka



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September 20, 2023 7:00 PM

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- \checkmark There will be a short meeting in the cafeteria followed by three fifteen-minute teacher information sessions
- \checkmark Middle school parents all need to attend their child's homeroom session first
- \checkmark If you are feeling sick or don't have childcare, you can schedule a later date to speak to your child's teacher

Following the above guidelines will help ensure a safe and productive evening for everyone. Feel free to call the office with any questions.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday!



Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

Attached please find a quick summary of our spring and winter school uniforms and the proper pieces that go with each. Please note that the uniforms are NOT interchangeable. I will release dates during the school year when the spring uniform begins and ends. The dates are subject to change based on the weather. **At this time, all students should be wearing the new school uniforms that were introduced last year**.

The black fleece that is mentioned will be for sale through the HSA, along with other spirit wear items.

If you have any questions regarding the uniform please do not hesitate to contact the office. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

Warm regards,

Mrs. Hodder Principal

Girl's Spring Uniform (This is what is currently on file at Flynn and O'Hara)	Boy's Spring Uniform (This is what is currently on file at Flynn and O'Hara)	
 White, red, or black St. Stan's golf shirt Khaki skort or khaki shorts w/ black or white belt White socks that cover the ankle Sneakers Optional red sweater or black St. Stan's fleece 	 ★ White, red, or black St. Stan's golf shirt ★ Khaki shorts w/ black or white belt ★ White socks that cover the ankle ★ Sneakers ★ Optional red sweater or black St. Stan's fleece 	
Unisex Gym Uniform		
 ★ Heather-gray St. Stan's long/short sleeved t-shirt ★ Red St. Stan's gym shorts (spring uniform) ★ Red St. Stan's sweatpants (winter uniform) ★ Optional red St. Stan's sweatshirt ★ White socks that cover the ankle ★ Sneakers 		

PLEASE NOTE Spring uniforms are generally worn from April 1 to October 31 of each year. This is subject to change based on the weather.

Girl's Winter Uniform	Boy's Winter Uniform
(This is what is currently on file	(This is what is currently on file
at Flynn and O'Hara)	at Flynn and O'Hara)
Grades K-4 ★ White collared long/short sleeved Peter Pan collar shirt ★ Black/red plaid jumper ★ Black cable knee socks or black tights ★ Black, flat dress shoes ★ Optional red sweater or black St. Stan's fleece ★ Optional khaki pants w/ black belt Grades 5-8 ★ White collared long/short sleeved oxford shirt ★ Black/red plaid skirt ★ Black cable knee socks or black tights ★ Black, flat dress shoes ★ Optional red sweater or black St. Stan's fleece ★ Optional red sweater or black St. Stan's fleece ★ Optional khaki pants w/ black belt	Grades K-8 ★ White collared long/short sleeved oxfor shirt ★ Khaki pants w/ black belt ★ Black socks ★ Plaid tie ★ Optional red sweater/sweater vest or black St. Stan's fleece ★ Black dress shoes

Dear Parents,

St. Stanislaus Kostka is as successful as we are due to the dedication of parents who constantly help our school and its students. With this in mind, I am asking for class parent volunteers. Class parents work in conjunction with the classroom teacher, the HSA, and the school administration. We are asking for two parents in PreK & Kindergarten, and at least one parent for Grades 1-6.

The primary responsibilities as class parent are as follows:

- To help facilitate special events in their child's classroom at the direction of the teacher (you do not have to be available to come to school for classroom events, your main job is to involve as many parents as possible to help)
- To attend the Christmas Bazaar meeting
- To organize the class basket for the Christmas bazaar
- To attend all HSA meetings, which may be virtual

If you are interested in becoming a class parent, complete and return the form below no later than September 27, 2023. Thank you so much for considering lending a hand in this capacity.

Mrs. Hodder

I am interested in being a class parent for the 2023-2024 school year. Please return this form no later than September 27, 2023.

Parent's Name:

Telephone Number:

Grade(s) which you wish to be considered:

Grade

Child's Name



Class Parent Information

Thank you for volunteering as a class parent for the 2023-2024 school year.

Any parent that comes to work an event in the building during school hours must check in at the main office and get a security badge from the School Gate Guardian Kiosk. Please make all parents aware of this so they have a driver's license with them when they come to work at an event.

Below is a list of basic information to help you get through the school year.

1. You will help facilitate special events in their child's classroom at the direction of the teacher

-Your teacher will notify you when help is needed.

-Try to involve as many parents as possible.

-Please only send in what is specified by the teacher. There are rules for special events and holidays that the teachers must follow,

-Certain classes require more help. There are graduations/special events in Pre-K, Kindergarten, 2nd Grade, Middle School, and 8th Grade. The teachers will get in contact with you about these events.

-You should take collections for teacher gifts for Christmas and the end of the year. Middle school should take a collection in each homeroom and split it 4 ways between the 4 middle school teachers. We want to make this uniform for the entire school. A sample form letter is attached that you may use to coordinate this.

2. Christmas Bazaar

-You must attend the Christmas Bazaar meeting. -You must organize the class basket for the Christmas Bazaar.

3. HSA Meetings

-If there are any HSA meetings throughout the year, you should attend them. -The HSA President is Gina Rispoli. You can get in contact with her via the main office or email HSA@sskschool.org





Dear Families:

Get ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them on their journey to becoming lifelong readers. AND—as always—every purchase at the Fair benefits our school.

Here's what you need to know about the big event, which will take place:

Monday, September 18th - Thursday, September 21st & Back To School Night Hallway to Cafeteria

Say goodbye to cash and hello to **eWallet**—your child's digital payment account. Before the Fair, set up eWallet for worry-free, cash-free purchases. Anyone can contribute! Share each child's eWallet so friends and family can add funds and give your kids more books to enjoy.

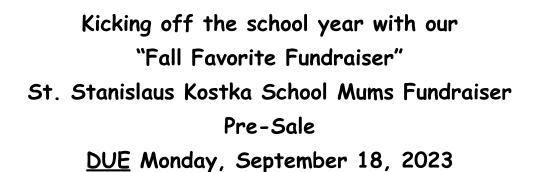
If you can't make it to the Fair, then **shop at our school's Book Fair online**. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Every online purchase will also benefit our school.

Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping: https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/ststanislauskostkaschool3

The countdown to more Bookjoy is on! Catch you at the Fair!

Happy reading,

Mrs. Lori Hodder Principal St. Stanislaus Kostka School





Mums are being sold for \$6 each or 4 for \$20. Please fill out the form below and return it in an envelope marked "HSA Mum Sale" by Monday, September 18th to guarantee your purchase! There are a limited number of mums available, so don't delay!

This is a cash or check only fundraiser. Please make checks payable to St.Stan's HSA

Mums will be available for pick-up on September 19, 2023. Any remaining Mums will be available for purchase at Thursday Bingo and before/after masses.

Family Name:	
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Amount of Mums: _____

Total: _____

\$3.00 Out of Uniform Day Thursday, September 21st for

Sayreville TNR

Trap/Neuter/Return

CASA

Coalition of Advocates for Sheltered Animals



Humanely preventing the overpopulation of feral cats to help benefit the Sayreville community. Sayreville TNR/CASA helps stray cats to get adopted. <u>sayrevilletnr@gmail.com</u> 732.372.8914

Please send in your \$3.00 donation to your homeroom teacher by Thursday. Checks made payable to St. Stan's School. If you would like to donate the always needed supplies of cat food & litter, a collection bin will be at the main entrance. Thank you! Contact Ms. Grover if you have any questions Igrover@sskschool.org

One thing to always remember, if you are going to feed stray cats, please contact Sayreville TNR to trap and have them neutered. You can check if a cat is neutered by looking at the left ear if it is tipped.

Ear-tipping involves surgically removing a small portion of a cat's left ear while the cat is under anesthesia for spay or neuter surgery. It is the universally accepted way to signify that a community cat has been spayed or neutered, which means no new kittens will be born, and that's a good thing.

SNACK SALES!

Dear Parents,

Once a month, the eighth grade host a snack sale during school lunch in the cafeteria. Our first snack sale of the year will take place on September 21st. Items that may be available include fruit snacks, snack cakes, brownies, and chips. All items are \$1, with the exception of fruit snacks, which are \$0.50. If you would like to have your child participate, please send their money in an envelope with their name on it.

Thank you in advance for supporting our Eighth Grade!











Bring comfy seats and blankets! Snacks and Drinks Available for Purchase!

Date: Friday September 29th (rain or shine)

Time: 7:00pm Pre-Game, 8pm Showtime

Where: Saint Stanislaus Kostka School (back parking lot)

Movie: Yes Day (2021 Family Comedy 1hr 29mins)

ADMISSION \$5 PER PERSON SMALL POPCORN INCLUDED (under 4 is free)

Check or Cash accepted (check payable to St. Stans HSA)

(If it rains we will move into St. Stan's gym)







RSVP by retuning the below.

Family Name: _____

Number of attendees:

Payment Enclosed: _____







BINGO Welcome Back 68 52 1 16 4 for the 2023-202 75 60 12 18 **School Year!** 62 49 If you would be interested in donating baked goods for a Thursday please contact Brittaney Delgado bdelgado@sskschool.org For Sunday baked goods or hot dish donations, please contact Lisa Grover grover@sskschool.org Bingo starts on Thursday, September 7th

& Sunday, September 10th.

Baked Good = 1 out of uniform pass Hot Dish = 2 out of uniform passes



& TRICKY TRAY

Where: St. Stanislaus Kostka School

221 MacArthur Ave. Sayreville

- **When:** Friday, October 13th (doors open at 5:30PM, calling begins at 7:00PM)
- **Cost:** \$30 per person includes 12 games of bingo (3 boards per game), coffee, tea, & dessert
 - The event will also feature a 50/50, door prizes and a variety of Tricky Tray raffles. Extra bingo boards can also be purchased.
 - All guests are invited to bring their own food & refreshments

For tickets please text: Gina at 732-277-2552

You must be 18 to enter and participate



Dear Parents,

Our first major fundraiser for this school year will take place on Friday, October 13th. That evening, we are having our 10th Annual Coach Bingo & Tricky Tray.

With every fundraiser we also need volunteers!

We will need about 25 people to work the Coach Bingo that evening. The shift will start at 5:PM **sharp** and end at approximately 11:PM after clean-up is completed. This will count as 2 **"others"** for work bond. Please understand that if you are attending the Bingo then you **cannot** work the event. There will be other opportunities during the school year to fulfill your "other" work bond commitment.

We are also in need of dessert and baked good donations for the event. We are asking for donations of cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, etc... They can be store bought or homemade (preferably not requiring refrigeration.) Please label each donation and drop off at the school on 10/13 by 3PM.

To work the event or to donate a baked good please go to signup.com to volunteer.

Thank you for your support. With your help we hope to have a very successful fundraiser and school year!



<u>ST. STAN'S HSA</u>

COACH BINGO/TRICKY TRAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13th

We are already planning our first major fundraiser of the school year... our 10th Annual Coach Bingo/Tricky Tray!

We are asking for \$5.00 per child (\$10 per family max.) to be used to help offset the cost of the prizes for this event.

This is not mandatory but would greatly help our fundraising efforts.

Please send back the bottom portion of this form along with your donation to the attention of Gina Rispoli, HSA

or Venmo your donation to Beth Poulsen @elizabeth-poulsen-5

Please kindly return your donation to the school by Friday, <u>October 6th.</u>

As always, thank you in advance for your contribution and continued support. We truly appreciate your help in making this event a success.

Please print family name:_____

Student Grade(s): _____

Donation:



We need your help to make our COACH BINGO & TRICKY TRAY outstanding this year!

If you would like to sponsor a Pocketbook or donate a prize for our tricky tray raffles, please call/text Gina Rispoli at 732-277-2552.

Coach Bingo is our largest fundraiser. All proceeds benefit the students and St. Stan's School. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Stanislaus Kostka School

221 MacArthur Avenue, Sayreville, NJ 08872



Fundraiser

October 7th - 11th

Please place donations in bags that seal like a plastic trash bag Saturday, October 7th and Sunday, October 8th, donations can be left in the lobby of the church before and after all masses.

Monday, October 9th through Wednesday, October 11 until 2:30pm, donations can be left outside of the school at the front entrance.

HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

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.

Thank you for your support!

If you have questions, contact Betty Vitale at <u>bvitale@sskschool.org</u>. 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.