Wednesday e-Folder

To Jesus through Mary



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES SCHOOL

JANUARY 10, 2018

To pray and ponder

To Jesus through Mary January Focus – Luminous Mysteries January Virtue of the Month – Wisdom

We resume our focus on the Luminous Mysteries, begun in December, with a focus on the Third Luminous Mystery – Proclamation of the Kingdom of God. As the Christmas season comes to an end with the Baptism of the Lord celebrated on Monday, January 8, we turn our attention to Ordinary Time. In these weeks now and after Pentecost, we hear proclaimed how Jesus initiated the Reign of God. Through parables and by example, the Lord instructs us about the way we are to live. In the Beatitudes he provides a game plan for us. Throughout these Scripture readings we come to realize that the Kingdom of God is available to us right now.

Calendar Events

Wednesday 1/10

Basketball away Girls 4:15 pm, Boys 5:30 pm vs. The Country School in Easton

Monday,1/15 School Closed MLK

From the Principal

<u>Pre-K 3 year old program</u>-We are excited to announce that we will begin a new Pre-K for program for three year olds in 2018/2019. Children must turn three before September 2018. A flyer with more details will come home with students this week.

<u>Re-enrollment-</u> We have begun to enroll new families. The second grade class for next year currently has a waiting list. We anticipate that several other classes will be full as well. Please send in your re-enrollment today to secure your child's placement for the 2018-2019 school year. Knowing how many students will be in each class enables us to take advantage of promotional textbook ordering and planning for staffing and budgetary needs.

Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program- The Diocese of Wilmington has begun to accept applications for tuition

assistance for the 2018-19 school year. In order to be considered for assistance, families **must be registered** for the coming school year. You can access the parent letter from the Diocese and the application information from this e-folder. <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Fruitland Falcons LAX- click here for flyer

Home and School Association

<u>Casino Night</u> Our next event is coming up in just a few short weeks...Casino Night. It is scheduled for Friday, February the 2nd. If you are interested in being on the committee for this event or even just helping out with set up, at the event or clean-up; please contact Will Braxton at <u>will braxton@comcast.net</u>

<u>CURRENT HSA HOURS</u> As you work on your volunteer hours for the current year, please feel free to turn them in monthly. Will Braxton is coordinating the volunteer hours this year and is updating the spreadsheets each month. As you work to complete your 30 hours, you can email him at <u>Will braxton@comcast.net</u>

Please note, if you have a family member, other than mom or dad, helping you to earn your hours, please make sure they are including your family name on their sign-in/registrations. This will insure we attribute those hours to the correct family.

<u>Past HSA HOURS/DUES</u> The HSA board is in the process of generating bills for last year's volunteer hours. If you completed your hours for the 2016-2017 year but failed to submit them, please let us know so we can update our records. Per your tuition contract, each family is required to complete 30 volunteer hours or pay a fee of \$10/hour of volunteer time not completed.

<u>HSA DUES</u>

If you haven't paid your dues yet for the year, please send in your check to the school. The dues are set at \$15/child this year and the money goes directly to our homeroom moms to use for class activities and the auction project. Please make all checks payable to SFDS HSA. We will also be collecting at afternoon pickups on Fridays and during all our school events.

AFTERCARE

1. Make sure you are up to date with payments by the end of each month. (No invoices are sent.)

2. Aftercare is currently full. We will take names for a waiting list should space become available later in the year.

National Catholic Schools Week- Believe, Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed

January 28-February 3 (more details to come) Kick off on Sunday at all Masses Scholastic Book Fair will be open all week! Monday 1/29- Student Appreciation Day NUT day TBA Movie and treat in the afternoon No homework!

Tuesday 1/30 Parent Appreciation Day Pastries for Parents at 7:30 am Morning Meeting 8:15 am Classroom visits 8:30-9:15 am NUT day TBA Wednesday 1/31 Parish Appreciation Day Mass at 8:30 am New family tours as scheduled with advancement director Talent Show at 6:30pm

Thursday 2/1 Teacher Appreciation Day Teachers enjoy lunch and no duties Student vs. Teacher Sporting Event 2:20 pm in Parish Center

Friday 2/2 Grandparent and Special Friend Appreciation Day Prayer Service at 10:00 am Luncheon at 11:00 am Dismissal at 12:00 noon Casino Night Fundraiser in the Parish Center at 6:00, dress is casual

Parish Community Partnership

<u>Parish</u>- Did you know that the Parish has a new mobile app? <u>Click here</u> for instructions to down load to your mobile device. There will be volunteers to help you download this app to your device after Masses on Saturday and Sunday, January 13th and 14th.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS-(grades7-12)

Confirmation Preparation-January, 13th after the 5:30 Mass in the school cafeteria.

March for Life-Friday, 1/19th