



St. Francis de Sales Catholic School Wednesday Newsletter

February 6, 2019

Dear St. Francis Families and Friends,

It is with great pride and excitement that I can now announce that we have met our goal of 85% re-enrollment. The students are very happy to have a NUT day on Friday. They will be sliming me on Friday as well. Please keep this in mind when they choose an outfit to wear. While the slime is washable, we don't want to ruin any clothes.

Our new family enrollment has begun and seems to be off to a great start. We will again have waiting lists for some classes. I hope you will invite friends and neighbors to come for a tour of the school. Our most powerful marketing tool is the positive word of mouth shared by current families. Did you know that you can earn money toward your tuition for next year by bringing a new family to St. Francis. You can earn \$100 if the family has one child, \$200 if they bring two children, and \$300 if they will be enrolling three children. Spread the word!

We have officially kicked off the Annual Fund Campaign. Our school board, faculty and staff have all committed to 100% participation in the fund. The money from this fundraising effort will support student programs such as STREAMS related activities, instructional technology and the performing arts. This effort helps us keep tuition increases at a reasonable level. In the coming week you will receive a letter asking for your prayerful consideration to donate to this fund. Our goal this year is \$45,000. We have already reached more than half of this goal with the help of very generous early donations.

With Joy,

Mrs. Debbie Traum

Lunch for the next few days:

We are always looking for volunteers to serve lunches from 12:30-1:30! Along with the daily entree, students can choose a drink (milk, juice or water) and from several sides (grapes, pudding, carrot sticks, celery sticks, applesauce, Go-gurt, etc.) We welcome parents to help supervise recess as well.

Thursday, 2/7	Friday, 2/8	Monday, 2/11	Souper Tuesday! 2/12	Wednesday 2/13
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Chicken Patty sandwich	Noon dismissal-conferences	Mac and cheese	Vegetable beef soup	Chicken nuggets
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Performing Arts Field Trip!

On February, 13th students from grades K-7 will walk to Holloway Hall at Salisbury University for a special treat. The multi-media performance of “FROGZ” will start at 1:00 pm. Chaperones will be coordinated with your child’s homeroom teacher. We will be going rain or shine so be prepared. In order to accommodate the time, we will have an earlier lunch and recess that day. As always the Salisbury City Police will assist our street crossings. We will return to school by 2:30 pm. We are so blessed to have this community partnership.

Reminders

- The deadline to apply for tuition assistance through the diocese is due March 4th. You must be registered in order to apply.
- Keep track of your volunteer hours and don’t forget to send them in to the Home and School Association.

Service

Box Tops for Education-Don’t forget to send in your Box Tops! Send them in a baggie with your child’s grade on it. The class with the most will have a reward.

Important Dates

- Thursday, 2/7-Parent/Teacher conferences 4:00 pm -7:00 pm (contact your homeroom teacher)
- Friday, 2/8-noon dismissal-aftercare available
- Friday, 2/8-Parent/Teacher conferences 1:00 pm-4:00 pm (contact your homeroom teacher)
- Wednesday, 2/13, field trip to SU grades K-7, “FROGZ” (details above)
- Eighth grade play, “Godspell”-Thursday, 2/28 and Friday, 3/1 at 7:00 pm in the parish center
- Second Grade wax museum-Friday, 2/22 in the parish center
- Home and School Association Open Meeting-Tues., 2/19-6:00-8:00 pm in the parish center conference room

Home and School Association

Auction – Havana Nights

Tickets on sale now!

<https://sfdsss.ejoinme.org/HavanaNights2019>

The SFdS Annual spring Auction will be held on April 6th*. This year's theme is Havana Nights!

If you would like to sponsor the event, volunteer to chair the decorations and provide support on several committees, or have questions, please contact Kate Bounds (Auction Chair) at Boundskate@gmail.com.

Penny Wars

The date for our 2nd Annual Penny Wars has been changed to February. Start collecting your pennies and get ready to be the class with the most points.....to earn a class NUT day! The proceeds will go towards playground upgrades! More details will follow.

Scrip Fundraiser

Want to earn tuition credits and volunteer hours just by doing your regular shopping??

Sign up now and do your regular grocery shopping with Scrip!!

You can purchase gift cards and set up your mobile account - it's so simple!

See Kris Reilly after school on Friday in the pick-up line or email her at onehoyarn@yahoo.com

HSA Dues

Families who haven't paid dues or completed volunteer hours will be billed. If you are unsure whether you have paid your dues, please email us at HSA@sfdscs.org

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Bull & Oyster Roast

A very special thank you to our event chairs Will Braxton and Andy McBride for all your efforts!! We would also like to thank the committee - Julie McBride, John Stafford, Scott Saxman, Dave and Stacy Leone, and Glen and Stephanie Cooper, as well as our many volunteers for making this event a huge success!!

We had lots of wonderful feedback, including how delicious the food was. Please make sure you visit **HOPPERS TAP HOUSE** and **SMOKIN BBQ** who not only sponsored the event, but cooked all the delicious food for us!

We also want to thank the following sponsors as we couldn't have done this without all your support:

Philip and Barbara Long Foundation, Kyle Edward, Long and Foster of Salisbury, The Crossroad Group, JB Robinson and Son, Sysco, The Moore Family, Minuteman Press, and Loyal Order of the Moose Salisbury Family Center 654 – THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Catholic School Week Lunch & Recess Coverage for Teachers

Thank you to all our families who helped with the teacher luncheon and recess coverage – this is such a treat for our teachers and we love to provide this for them!

Library Book Fair

A HUGE shout out and THANK YOU to Kim Johnson and her team for another wonderful Book Fair!
Our SFdS Library benefits greatly from your efforts and we truly appreciate all the time and dedication!

Youth Ministry St. Francis de Sales Parish CYM - Catholic Youth Ministries Grades 7-12

Connecting with God, friends, and the community.

Email Liza at lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org to receive regular youth updates or log onto <http://visitstfrancis.org/formationeducation/youthministry.html>

February 28th, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Christian Shelter Assistance.

Sign up Here.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b094fa9ad2ba5f85-christian1>

Confirmation Girl's Retreat, Saturday, February 16th, 9:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Pam Urbanski, Director of the Catholic Youth Ministries from the Diocese will be our guest speaker

Next Confirmation Class on Saturday, February 9th. Mass at 5:30 and Class at 6:30 p.m. Pick up at 7:30 p.m. Church Basement.

Liza Alvarado - Mutchler
Director of Youth Ministries
St. Francis de Sales Parish

*Trust the past to God's Mercy, the present to God's love, and the future to God's providence.
St. Augustine of Hippo*