

St. Francis de Sales Catholic School

Wednesday Newsletter

March 13, 2019

Dear St. Francis Families and Friends,

We are blessed to have formed some wonderful community partnerships. Salisbury University is one such supporter of our school. This week all of the students will have the opportunity to learn about health and safety topics with the help of amazing nursing students. These college students create a display board and an activity to do with small groups as they teach about such things as the importance of exercise, sunscreen and first aid.

Another community partner is the Eastern Shore Ballet Theatre who brought us the Nutcracker. They are busy preparing for Peter Pan in April. Our own 2nd and 3rd graders will be attending a special school performance. As a little treat, this Friday grades Prek-3 through 3rd will have a short Peter Pan story time. ESBT dancers will perform a small scene from the ballet as well. We are so excited.

Lastly, this week our local Junior Achievement Chapter hosted a super career day for 8th graders. This took place on Tuesday at the Civic Center. The 8th graders came back very enthusiastic about lots of career options. J.A. really made it fun. There were virtual exhibits like flying a plane which drew much interest.

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 entre, students can choose a drink (milk, juice or water) and from several sides (grapes, pudding, carrot sticks, celery sticks, applesauce, Go-gurt, etc.) We always welcome parents to help supervise recess as well.

Thursday, 3/14	Friday, 3/15	Monday, 3/18	Souper Tuesday! 3/19	Wednesday 3/20
Taco salad	Pizza	Ham and cheese roll ups	Loaded baked potato	French toast sticks

Reminders

- Those wishing to continue or begin group or private voice/piano/guitar lessons, please contact Ms. Upshaw for sign up information.
- Come and see SFdS marching band in the Ocean City St Patrick's day parade on March 16th!
- **SAVE THE DATE!! SFdS SPIRIT NIGHT**

Where: Galaxy Gymnastics

When: Friday, March 29th from 6:30 to 8:00pm.

For: Grades PK-3 through 5th (older siblings welcome)

Bring your children to enjoy an open gym at Galaxy Gymnastics! Pizza and soft drinks will be provided. All donations are appreciated and will go toward the HSA Athletics fund. I hope to see you all at this fun fitness night!!

Important Dates

- Wear green! NUT day on Friday, March 15th, \$2 per student will go to National Junior Honor Society
- Lenten Fish/Shrimp Fry on Friday, March 15th 4:30-7:30 pm in the parish center
- Progress reports will go home via email the week of March 18
- Each Friday during lent we will pray the stations of the cross in church at 2:40 pm
- **NO SCHOOL- Wednesday, March 27th** due to faculty professional development with the diocese
- Pray with us-Live Stations at 2:15 pm and 7:00 pm in the church on Friday, March 29th.
- Uniform Swaps-April 3rd and 10th from 2:30 pm-6:00 pm in the HSA room on the 3rd floor, bring in gently worn uniforms for credit no later than March 29th. Please put your student's name on them.
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Home and School Association

Havana Nights Auction - April 6, 2019

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is just a little over three weeks away, so now is the time to buy tickets and make your childcare arrangements. We have limited babysitting spots for school families, however your tickets must be purchased before making your reservation. Childcare is for ages 3-12 (must be potty trained), and donations for the service are greatly appreciated. We will provide pizza, applesauce, and juice boxes. Please email boundskate@gmail.com with names and ages of children for your reservation.

Purchase your auction tickets at <https://sfdsss.ejoinme.org/HavanaNights2019>.

And in case you haven't heard, we are bringing the live auction back this year! We have a few very special items, so follow our Facebook event page at St. Francis de Sales Annual Auction -

Havana Nights 2019.

Like and share our event Facebook page to keep up with the latest news for this hot event:

<https://www.facebook.com/SFdSHavanaNights2019/> .

Chinese Auction Sign-up

Auction always promises some fun Chinese Baskets! Please consider donating to a basket or two this year. We are grateful for any donated item you can give. Here's a list of basket options: <https://m.signupgenius.com/...> Please contact Suzanne DeVito at smp82@aol.com with any questions.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4caaab2ea6f85-chinese1>

Kids Bingo Night - April 16, 2019

Kick off Easter break with our annual Kids Bingo Night on Tuesday, April 16th from 6:00pm-8:00pm in the Parish Center. The McLaughlin Family hosts this fun night to benefit the HSA. This event is for kids ages 4 and older, cost is \$25/child which includes dinner, dessert, treats, favors, and lots of BINGO! Please RSVP to Angie McLaughlin at 410-430-7770. This is a can't-miss event for your student(s)!

Uniform Swap

The next 2 uniform swaps are scheduled for Wednesday, April 3rd from 2:30 – 6:00 pm & Wednesday, April 10 th from 2:30 – 6:00 pm. If you have any uniform items to exchange, please drop them off to the school, in a labeled bag with your name by Friday, March 29th in order to obtain your credit slip.

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

Youth Ministry Grades 7-12 Sign Ups!

For more information email lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org

Wilmington Pilgrimage, Saturday, April 13th

[SIGN UP BELOW](#)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b094fa9ad2ba5f85-2019>

Planning ahead.....

National Catholic Youth Conference, November 20-24, 2019, Indianapolis, Indiana. *Register a youth NOW* for the Conference! Space is limited. Student responsibility is \$250. This does NOT include the contribution of sponsors needed. They need to be in 9th grade by November 2019. (For those in 8th grade, think ahead!) This is a bi-annual event. Don't miss this life-changing event with 25,000 other young Catholics from around the country! Fantastic music and speakers! Website: www.ncyc.info.

[NCYC SIGN UP.](#)

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Confirmation Preparation Update - Next and final class before the Wilmington Pilgrimage is Saturday, March 9th Noon to 5 p.m. Pastoral Retreat with Fr. LaBarge - (Lunch at 12 and Mass at 4:00 pm) LOCATION will be at Holy Redeemer in Delmar, MD.

