

## St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just."

Pope Francis

February 5, 2015

**Dear Parents and Guardians:** 

It is with a joyful heart and quite humbly that I thank all the students, families and faculty of St. Stanislaus Kostka School for remembering my birthday this week. The family, that I so often speak of in my weekly letters, embraced me this week in a way that was so incredibly special. I continue to ask you to speak to potential new families about this strong family feel at St. Stan's and encourage them to set up a personal tour during school hours to see it in action. Just call the office and we will happily accommodate them for a tour or even to have their child spend time shadowing a student throughout the school day.

We have rescheduled our Sports Day that was snowed out last week. It will be Wednesday, February 11, 2015 beginning at 12 noon. Children should come to school dressed in their gym uniforms that day. Don't forget our abbreviated winter break will have school closed February 12, 13 and 16<sup>th</sup>. I know it is shortened but I hope you take the time to enjoy it.

Upon our return to school we will celebrate Ash Wednesday Mass on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. All students are allowed to receive ashes during this Mass. I ask any non Catholic families, who would prefer their child not receive ashes, to please send a note to your child's homeroom teacher indicating that.

Finally, continuing on my previous birthday note. I ask all parents to refer to the Parent/Student handbook in reference to birthday celebrations in school. We cannot hand out goody bags or cake and we ask that if sending in cupcakes they are not cupcake cakes; these are also too messy to distribute in the classrooms. Please look at the handbook for specifications on what can be sent in to school.

As always you are in my daily prayers as I ask God to bestow on each of you health, happiness, and all of his blessings.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico, Principal