

St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:35

Dear Parents and Guardians:

On this day that stirs reverence and sadness in many of us, as we are nearing the end of our second week of school; there is joy within our walls as we see the children each day anxious to learn, excited to be here and eager to help one another. I have had the opportunity to sit with students at lunch, visit classrooms and go outside and enjoy their company at recess; each and every student I see is respectful, helpful and truly happy to be part of our school family.

The kindergarten and preschool students have settled in with very few tears and our eighth grade students have accepted wholeheartedly the responsibilities of being the "senior" members of our community. They are setting brilliant examples for the younger students.

During the next several weeks the faculty and I will be working on finalizing a school wide service project. It is our goal that all students serve their neighbors as Jesus did. We discuss this each morning in opening exercises and we are incorporating a new Catholic Identity program into our curriculum and mindset throughout the school. Our homerooms are all in the process of choosing a classroom patron saint they hope to emulate. Additionally, safety is a major concern of our faculty. We executed a fire drill Wednesday and have a minimum of two drills per month scheduled. We will be reviewing all of our safety procedures over the next several weeks and tweaking areas we feel our students can be better served.

The HSA is busy preparing for Coach Bingo as well as open houses for our new families to become acquainted with our school and all our HSA does for it, including our upcoming book fair, uniform swap and Back to School Night events.

Things are buzzing with excitement here. As always, my door is open to parents, students and the community. I keep each member of our school family in my prayers.

God Bless,

Mrs. Elena Malinconico