



# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"Initiative is doing the right things without being told."

Victor Hugo

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Dear St. Stan's Families:

Initiative is a virtue and habit that is years in the making. It is a virtue, like all virtues, that requires practice in order for it to become a habit. Our teachers are always taking the initiative to teach students in ways that helps each student reach his or her potential. I know as parents you take the initiative to monitor homework on websites and grades on Power School; and finally students are taking the initiative to make sure they seek help when they do not understand a concept or assignment. An education does not work unless all three parties are taking the initiative to be part of the overall educational process. I know we have been speaking to students about mid terms this week in opening exercises and they are all eager to do their best! We will be off on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup> to celebrate Martin Luther King's Birthday and when we return on the 19<sup>th</sup> mid terms will begin for grades four through eighth.

On Sunday, January 24, 2016 at the 9am Mass we will kick off our Catholic Schools' Week. We expect to see all our students join us at this celebration, in uniform. Following Mass, we will have an open house of our school from 10:00am to 12:00 noon. Please feel free to join us and invite a potential student and their family to see what St. Stan's is about. In this week's white envelope you will see information about Catholic Schools' Week's activities.

I want to inform you that on Tuesday, we held a lockdown drill that went very well. Finally, I ask you to please each contact the governor's office to ask him to raise the ceiling for non public school busing. This is a matter that is important in sustaining the health of all Catholic schools in New Jersey.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico  
Principal