



St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"I imagine that yes is the only living thing." e. e. cummings

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Dear St. Stan's Families:

As we celebrate the feast of the Immaculate Conception, we are reminded of Mary's enthusiastic "yes" to God when asked to be the mother of his son. I believe that "yes" is a living, breathing part of our faith and we look to instill in our students the willingness to say "yes" to God's call and love. It seems crazy to me that in a mere two weeks we will be celebrating the birth of our Lord which was only possible due to the willingness of Mary.

As we wind down prior to our Christmas break, I am excited to announce the acquisition of a new program called I-Ready. This program will allow our teacher's to get a wealth of information about each of our students' progress in Language Arts and Math. It will also provide parents with recommendations on how to help students grow and it will allow teachers to tailor work and lessons to students' individual needs. We will begin using this system in the next couple of weeks.

On Monday, we will place ornaments on our Jesse Tree during opening exercises and if you would like to come and see this ceremony you are more than welcome. On Wednesday, December 14th I will be hosting my student of the month breakfast for December. On Monday, December 19th our Christmas Concert will be at 7pm, we ask students to dress up in their Christmas finest and we will no longer be asking for particular colors by classes. On December 23rd we celebrate 9am Mass, followed by a hot breakfast sponsored by the HSA. There will be a 12 noon dismissal with NO Aftercare that day. I also ask that you remember our pastor, Father Ken this Christmas by donating money towards his Christmas present. Any amount is appreciated and we ask it to be in school by December 21st.

Finally, I would like to extend my deepest thanks and gratitude to the HSA for the beautiful job they did with the Christmas Bazaar. This annual event raises funds for the school; so students can go on field trips, have lunches and breakfasts sponsored by the HSA and the amazing annual field day they host for us as well as so much more. You are the lifeblood of our school and you are in our prayers every day.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico, Principal