



St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"We can do hard things."

December 9, 2021

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

I would like to sincerely thank all of the families that came out to support our school this weekend. Our First Annual Tree Lighting was a great event, and the Christmas Bazaar was a huge success! We are quickly winding down to Christmas, so please see below for important dates up until the break.

- ✓ Dec. 9 – Picture retakes
- ✓ Dec. 9 – Progress Reports go home
- ✓ Dec. 10 – Jesse Tree Ceremony (students only)
- ✓ Dec. 10 – Life Choices Christmas donation due
- ✓ Dec. 17 – Christmas theme dress-down/\$3.00
- ✓ Dec. 21 – Religion Club Nativity Play (this will be posted on the website for parents to view)
- ✓ Dec. 22 – 11:50 Dismissal/NO AFTERCARE

December 22 will be a free Dress-Up Day for students. The HSA will also be providing the students with a free Christmas breakfast following 9:00 Mass. Please remember there is NO aftercare this day, and it is an 11:50 dismissal.

Please also remember, we are participating in the Life Choices Christmas Donation and MCA Mite Boxes. Thank you in advance for your participation in these worthy causes. The mite boxes are due back **December 17**.

You continue to be in my prayers. As always, thank you for all you do for our school!

Warmest regards,

Lori Hodder
Principal



Spread Joy this Christmas for Families in Need

For 35 years Life Choices Resource Center in Metuchen has been faithfully serving mothers and families who are faced with difficult or unplanned pregnancies. Since 1985 they have helped thousands of women choose life for their babies by providing them with practical, emotional, spiritual and material support.

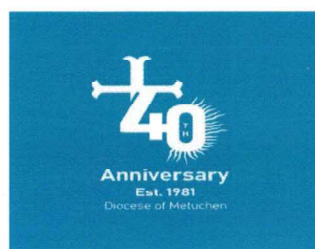
Through community donations, the ministry is able to supply the families with clothing, formula, diapers, wipes, car seats, cribs, strollers, etc. As you can imagine, most of these parents cannot afford to purchase presents for their children during this time of the year.

Our school will be helping out the ministry again this year. We will be collecting monetary donations that will be used to purchase gift cards for families in need.

We are asking for a donation of \$10.00 per family, but of course any amount is appreciated.

If you would like to donate, please send in your donation by Friday, December 10th to the attention of *Mrs. Grover, Life Choices Donation*. Checks can be made out to St. Stan's School. If you would like to pay via Venmo or Paypal, please email lgrover@skschool.org

*Thank you for your generous support
during the most wonderful time of the year -
when we celebrate giving in honor of God's gift of His only son.*





Flags for Heroes and Fundraising Update

Thank you to the families and friends who donated to the Flags for Heroes Fundraiser. We raised \$7,096.00 for the back lot repavement project and \$900.00 was donated to the NJ Veterans Memorial Home at Menlo Park.

The flags will remain on the school and parish property until December 18th. Your flag can be picked up on this day between the hours of 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, or it can be donated back to the school. If you are unable to make this day/time, please contact Lisa Grover lgrover@sskschool.org or call the school office and leave a message: 732.254.5819.

Thank you for the following donations:

85 flag kits - Joanne, Raritan Flag & Banner Company in South Amboy

85 extender two foot poles - Raul Fardin, Testrite Visual in Hackensack

Tubing - Dan and Annette Hockenjos

Colored copies of flyer - Jen Zappola

Printing of signs - Robert Grover

Lamination of signs - St. Stan's School done by Irene Foret

Thank you to those who helped: put tubing in the ground, assemble flags, take down the flags in a high wind storm, assemble flags the second time, and maintain the flags. A special thank you to Dan Hockenjos and Jim Dabroski for all of your help along the way.

We are pleased to announce that we have raised \$13,600.00 towards our back lot repavement project from the following fundraisers: Flags for Heroes, 2021 Car Show, and Falcon Flyby. Our next fundraiser towards the back lot project will be the Polar Bear Plunge on Sunday, February 6 in Seabright at 1:00 pm. More information to follow.

We have set up a gofundme link specifically for this back lot project. We are on a mission to repave the area where the school children play at recess and gym. This link can also be found on our school website.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/parking-lot-improvement>

We are so thankful for the generous support of our families and friends.

Thank you,
Lisa Grover