



# St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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Mrs. Lori Hodder  
Principal

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"We can do hard things."

February 22, 2024

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

I hope everyone enjoyed the extended weekend. Thank you to everyone who participated in our Lenten Fish Fry over the weekend. Important upcoming events include:

- Feb. 22 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Snack Sale/MAP Testing ends
- Feb 26 – Read-A-Thon begins
- **Mar. 4 – 11:50 AM Dismissal**
- Mar. 4-5 – 40 Hours Devotion
- Mar 4-8 – Dr. Seuss Week
- Mar. 8 – Read-A-Thon ends
- Mar. 10 – Daylight Savings Time Begins
- **Mar. 11 – NO SCHOOL/Professional Development Day**

We will be celebrating Dr. Seuss Week from **March 4-8**. There is a separate calendar of events included in this weekly white envelope, and it will be posted on the school website. Thank you to everyone who attended our HSA meeting last week. We are constantly looking for new people to join the HSA, so please contact the office if you are interested or have any questions.

Please continue to pray for Father Ken as he works towards a full recovery. Your families will continue to be in my prayers. Thank you for all that you do for our school!

Warmest Regards,

*Lori Hodder*

Principal



Happy St. Patrick's Day

# MARCH 2024

## ST. STAN'S SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Enclosed, you will find MAP® Growth™ Family Report, which summarizes how your child is performing academically, as measured by the most recent MAP Growth test your child has taken. These tests and scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students.

MAP Growth tests are unique and adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's knowledge. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of where your child is on their learning journey—regardless of whether they are on, above, or below their grade level.

Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores in similar skills and topics and then plan instruction accordingly.

Your child's MAP Growth results are represented as **RIT scores**. RIT scores have the same meaning across grade levels. This stable scale allows teachers to accurately measure each student's academic growth throughout the school year and over time.

The goal for all schools within the Diocese of Metuchen is to challenge students to score above the "National Average Achievement" line seen in the report. Teachers and students work diligently throughout the year to continuously strive towards, and maintain, "High Average Achievement".

I hope you find these reports informative. If you have questions, please contact the school office at 723-254-5819.

For more information about MAP Growth, visit [NWEA.org/familytoolkit](http://NWEA.org/familytoolkit).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lori Hodder".

Mrs. Lori Hodder  
Principal



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# 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 WE DECLARE A SSK PENNY WAR TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH



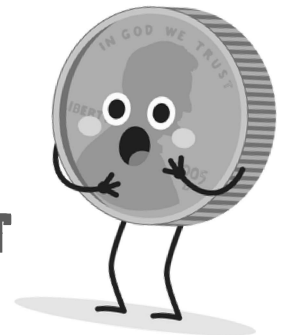
**DURING LUNCH PERIODS**

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** Each CLASS has their own coin jug for collecting money located in the CAFETERIA. **ADD POINTS** to your jug by adding pennies and dollar bills. **SUBTRACT POINTS** from other grades by adding silver coins to their jug.

**TEACHERS WILL HAVE THEIR OWN JUG TOO!**

**WINNING CLASS GETS  
A PIZZA PARTY**





**IF TEACHERS WIN, THEY WILL GET  
A BAGEL BREAKFAST!**






The winning group will be announced on **March 27th at the Bunny Breakfast!**

## POINT SYSTEM

### ADDING POINTS

-  EACH PENNY = **+1** POINT
-  \$1 BILL = **+100** POINTS
-  \$5 BILL = **+500** POINTS
-  \$10 BILL = **+1,000** POINTS

### SUBTRACTING

-  NICKEL = **-5** POINTS
-  DIME = **-10** POINTS
-  QUARTER = **-25** POINTS



## SAINT STANISLAUS KOSTKA SCHOOL

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**Rev. Kenneth Murphy**  
*Pastor*

**Mrs. Lori Hodder**  
*Principal*

Dear St. Stan's Families and Friends,

On Tuesday, May 7, 2024, we will be hosting our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual golf outing at Pebble Creek Country Club, Colts Neck. The support of our community gives us the ability to undertake improvements to our buildings and grounds. This specific event is slated to help us raise money towards replacing the school boilers as well as the HVAC systems in the school and the church.

To help in this effort, we are looking for tournament sponsors to be recognized at one of the 18 holes during our event. The cost per hole sponsorship is \$100.00. Enclosed is a brochure with more information. Hole sponsors are due by April 15th.

We are also in need of raffle prize sponsorships. Raffle prize items and monetary donations can be sent into the school or the parish office: Attention Golf Outing. Items can also be arranged for pick up by calling Lisa Grover 732.379.1279 or email [sskgolf@sskschool.org](mailto:sskgolf@sskschool.org).

If you are interested in golfing, all of the necessary information is contained in the brochure and can be found at [sskgolf2024.cheddarup.com](http://sskgolf2024.cheddarup.com).

We are hoping that you will support this endeavor and thank you in advance for your most generous contribution.

Warmest regards,

*Lisa Grover*

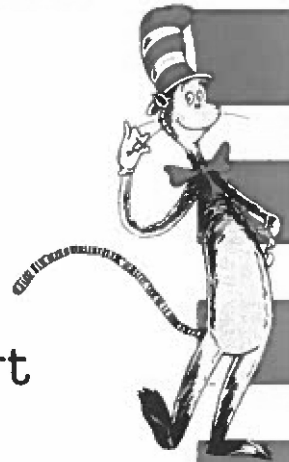
Lisa Grover  
GOLF COMMITTEE CHAIR

# READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK!

**March 2-8th**

## **Monday - Foxiest socks day!**

Wear your craziest socks to start our week off on the right foot!

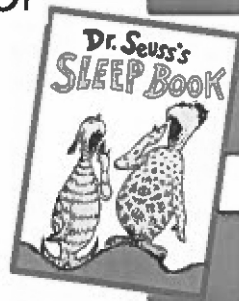


## **Tuesday - Cat in the Hat day!**

Wear your favorite/silliest hat!

## **Wednesday - Oh the Places You'll Go!**

Wear clothing representing a college or a place you would like to visit



## **Thursday- The Sleep Book!**

It's pajama day! Wear your pajamas- no slippers!



## **Friday - The Lorax Day!**

Wear a silly mustache- mustaches provided for students



# Polish / Irish Platter Fundraiser



All proceeds benefit  
**St. Stanislaus Kostka School!**



**Saturday, March 16th  
4:00-7:00PM**



**Curbside pick-up behind the school**

**Polish Platter  
includes:**

**5 Potato & Cheese Pierogi  
Kielbasa & Sauerkraut  
1 Stuffed Cabbage  
Rye Bread/Butter**

**Irish Platter  
includes:**

**Corned Beef  
Cabbage  
Boiled White Potatoes  
Rye Bread/Butter**

**Can't decide? Order both!**

**PRE-SALE PURCHASE ONLY  
\$15/platter**

**Tickets can be purchased after  
Mass or by calling/texting  
Gina at 732-277-2552**