



St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

Mrs. Lori Hodder
Principal

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"We can do hard things."

November 30, 2023

Dear St. Stanislaus Kostka Families,

I don't know about anyone else, but this extra week before Advent is really throwing me off! I hope you all had a nice Thanksgiving, and are starting to get ready for Advent and Christmas. Listed below are important events leading up to Christmas break.

- Dec 1 – 8th Grade Ring Ceremony/9:00 AM Mass
Tree Lighting Ceremony 6:30 PM
- Dec. 3 – Christmas Bazaar
- Dec. 4 – **11:50 AM dismissal**
- Dec. 6 – Picture retakes/Class Pictures/St. Nicholas Day
- Dec. 7 – Christmas Card Project 2:00-3:00 PM
- Dec. 8 – Immaculate Conception Mass 9:00 AM
- Dec. 13 – Jesse Tree Ceremony
- Dec. 14 – \$3.00 Dress Down Day
- Dec. 19 – Christmas Show 7:00 PM
- Dec. 20 – Pajama Day! More details to follow...
- Dec. 21 – **11:50 AM dismissal/Free dress up day/NO AFTERCARE/HSA Grinch Breakfast**
Christmas break begins – Classes resume January 2, 2024

It looks like Santa will be stopping by our school again this year to collect letters from our students! Students can write their letters to Santa and place them in the mailbox outside the main office between Dec. 1 – 15. Please make sure your child's full name and grade appear in the letter. If you have any questions, you can contact the main office.

Finally, please keep our 8th grade students in your prayers this week as they receive their class rings, and are one step closer to the end of their time here at St. Stanislaus Kostka School. We pray that God is with them in a special way this week, and for the remainder of their 8th grade year!

Warmest Regards,






Lori Hodder
Principal



DECEMBER 2023

ST. STAN'S SCHOOL



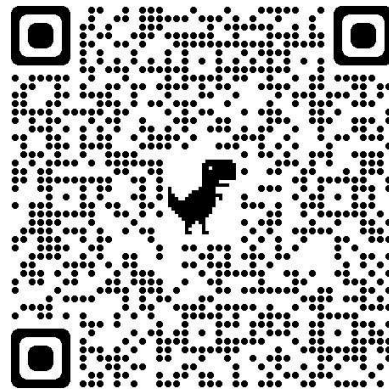
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St. Stan's Christmas Card Project

Want to spread joy this Christmas season? Know someone who has experienced a loss, is battling an illness, or could otherwise use some extra cheer this year? Join the St. Stan's Christmas card project!

3 Ways to get involved:

- Nominate someone to receive cards (max 2 per family), due Dec. 4 (Use QR code below)
- Donate stamps or Christmas cards by Dec. 4 (stamps especially - we will use a lot!)
- Students in grades PreK-8 can volunteer to stay after school **Thursday, Dec. 7** to write cards for the people on our list



Any questions, please contact Mrs. Pagnotta,
kpagnotta@sskschool.org

Inspired by the Angel Card Project



St. Stan's Christmas Card Project

Permission for student(s) to stay after school to work on cards on Thursday, December 7, 2:00-3:00:

*Please return to Mrs. Pagnotta by Dec. 4.

List student name(s) and grade(s):

Parent/guardian signature: _____

Dismissal at 3:00:

Aftercare

Pickup by: _____

**St. Stan's HSA
3rd Annual
Christmas Tree Lighting
Friday, December 1st**

**6:30pm
Front Patio**

**Treats &
goodies
will be
available
for sale!**



**Caroling w/
with
Mrs. Colgan
and the
choir!**

All are invited to join the festivities!

**Special Thanks to our sponsor:
The Castillo Family!**

Hello Parents!

We are looking forward to a successful Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, 12/3.

Below is the final list of workers for 12/1 and 12/3. If you have any questions or if there are any problems, please email Beth Poulsen (bethie726@aol.com) ASAP! **Please be on time for your shift(s) and be sure to sign in/out with Susan Fereno to receive work bond credit.**

We still have over 50 families that have their 50/50's outstanding. Please send those in asap or return to the 50/50 table on Sunday. Be sure the worker crosses off your name to receive work bond credit. Thank you!

Also, we are excited for our 3rd Annual Tree Lighting on Friday, 12/1! Dress warm! There will be plenty of goodies for sale (cash only)! HSA will be providing hot chocolate at no charge. We look forward to seeing our school community for this amazing tradition! Please listen for any announcements of a rain date should it be needed.

Lastly, we are still in need of several baked good donations for our teacher's cake wheel for Sunday. If you are able to donate a cake, pie, cookies or brownies please email Beth Poulsen. Thank you to all those who have already donated!

Set-up Shifts - 12/1

*Bring your ID and check in/out of the school office; Wear an ID badge at all times and remain in the gym.

9am-12pm

Ariana/Ed Mount (2)

Erin Lloyd (1)

Devin/Nicole McCabe (2)

Rosi Moore (1)

Amanda Rivera (1)

Lauren Drezek (1)

Caitlin Reiff (1)

Ryan Guijo (1)

12-3pm

Camille Romer (1)

Amanda Nowicki (1)

Meredith Aiello (1)

SHIFT #1 - 12/3 10:30am - 3pm

1. Sonia Pimenta	2. Camille Romer
3. Elaine Mariolis	4. Diana Whitney
5. Maria Holovacko	6. Eva Cerverizzo
7. Allan Balagot	8. Angela Read
9. Courtney Tympanick	10. Kim McKevitt
11. Heather Silva	12. Jennette Fraler
13. Arianne Mount	14. Ed Mount
15. Jason Valetutto	16. Renee Giambrone
17. Gabriela Padova	18. Alexandra Caracitas
19. Brian Jackowski	20. Caitlin Reiff
21. Michael LoGuidice	22. Jacyln Barber
23. Jannella Guijo	24. Devin McCabe
25. Claribel Rojas	26. Anthony Bulathwelage
27. Lauren Drezek	28. Christine Leonard
29. Erin Vreeland	30. Elizabeth Kuras
31. Dana Soares	32. Erin Then

SHIFT #2 - 12/3 2:30 pm - 7:00 pm

*Bazaar ends at 5pm, the remaining shift time is used to help clean-up**

1. Shaki Lockwood	2. Michelle Ryan
3. Erin Lloyd	4. Magdalena Dumanski
5. Jamie Kurtz	6. Shubhra Bhanot
7. Francine Ciesielski	8. Chan
9. Nimeshika Magage	10. Lora Scott
11. Amanda Nowicki	12. Amanda Rivera
13. Shanti Duchatellier	14. Rosi Moore
15. Claire Ojeda	16. Uzoma Obi
17. Doris Boyce	18. Halyna Holovata
19. Tiffany Parker	20. Chris Iatauro
21. Walter Christian	22. Meredith Aiello
23. Lisa Pasquale	24. Mary Mendez (?)
25. Jude (?)	

Clean-up Shift - 12/3

5:30-8:30pm

1. Courtney Tympanick	2. Camille Romer
3. Ted Tympanick	4. Richard Merendeiro
5. Gary Read	6. Tiffany Parker

Come Join Us



Sayreville Recreation Department's Annual
Parade of Lights

Come represent our school as we march in this year's parade.

Who: Students & Family members

When: Sunday, December 3, 2023 @ 6:00pm

Staging: McCutcheon Ave & Main Street @ 5:30pm

St. Stans attire with some Christmas spirit is recommended.

If you are unable to march with us, we look forward to seeing you in the crowd as you cheer us on.

For those interested and able to join us, please email one of us by
Friday, December 1st

Ms. Grover lgrover@skschool.org

Mrs. Taylor jtaylor@skschool.org

ST. STANISLAUS KOSTKA ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society will be taking orders for Poinsettias.

- Order forms will be in the main and elevator lobbies of the Church.
- The deadline for orders will be December 3, 2023. Orders can be placed by calling Pat at 732-257-3963.
- Payment is due when order is placed. You can drop the envelope in the collection basket or the Church Office. Make checks payable to: St. Stans Rosary Altar Society.
- Please mark envelopes : Rosary Altar Society Poinsettias.
- Pick-up will be December 16, 2023 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

6" Poinsettia \$6.00

Pink _____

Red _____

White _____

Marble (Creme with pink) _____

Shimmer (red with white flecking) _____

8" Poinsettia \$12.00

Pink _____

Red _____

White _____

Marble _____

Red & White mix _____

Shimmer _____

6" Winter Rose \$6.50 _____

10" \$20.00

Pink _____

Red _____

White _____

Tri-Color (red, white,pink)

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ **Amount Due:** _____

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR ROSARY SOCIETY

Yes, there really IS a Santa Claus!

We are so excited! This Christmas, season Saint Stanislaus Kostka School has become an official drop-off location for letters to Santa.

The directions are simple. Any child in grades PreK-5 can write a letter to Santa and place it in the mailbox located outside the main office by December 15. It can be written on any type of paper, and the only requirements are that it contain your child's full name and grade. Each student who sends in a letter will receive a letter back from Santa before they leave for Christmas break on December 22.

This is an at-home activity, it will not be worked on in school. This is also an optional activity, of course. Should you have any questions please direct them to the main office, not your child's teacher. Students can start sending letters in December 1. We hope that we are able to mail a lot of letters to Santa this year!



Student Council
Hopes Your Holidays Are
"Just Write!"



Christmas Pencil Grams \$1.00
Guess the amount of
Hershey Kisses \$.50 each guess
Will be sold during both lunches
12/5, 12/6, 12/7 & 12/8

ST. STAN'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

Breakfast with Santa

PRICING:

ADULTS:

\$15 PRE-SALE

\$20 AT DOOR

CHILDREN:

12 AND UNDER

\$10 PRE-SALE

\$15 AT DOOR

*CASH ONLY EVENT

SATURDAY

DEC. 9TH

8:30AM-11AM

TICKETS:

PRE-SALE OR

*AT DOOR

**ST. STAN'S GYM
ALL FAMILIES WELCOME!**



ADULTS \$15

PRE-SALE ORDER FORM

CHILDREN \$10

FAMILY NAME: _____

*CASH ONLY

#ADULTS _____ #CHILDREN _____ TOTAL \$ _____

PLEASE SEND IN EXACT CASH ATTN: LINDA CASTILLO - BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



**TO a
FUNDRAISING
SHOPPING
EVENT FOR**

organization name St Stanislaus Kostka School

date Dec 09 - Dec 15 **time** 10a-9p

where 1064 Rt 9, Old Bridge NJ in the Gateway Five Below

it's simple! 10% of the purchases made by members of your group will be donated back to your organization.

simply present this flyer to a member of our WOW CREW at the time of purchase.

please note that we do not allow flyers to be handed out in our store or shopping center at any time before, during or after your event.

this section to be completed by five below associate

purchase amount (pre-tax) \$ _____

register (circle one) **1** **2** **3** **4** **5** **6**

associate name _____

DECEMBER

15

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM
MOVIE STARTS AT 7PM

SPECIAL GUEST
APPEARANCE

St. Stan's HSA

presents

\$5

PER PERSON

*CASH ONLY EVENT

elf

•SNACKS
for sale

•PIZZA

•BYOB

(Bring your own Blanket/Chair)

WEAR YOUR MOST
COMFY PAJAMAS

Movie
Night



ALL PROCEEDS GO
TOWARDS St. Stan's HSA

This event is made
possible thanks to the
generosity of the
Abouata and HOLOVACKO Families!

St. Stanislaus Kostka School

Pajama Day

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

Christmas jammies are
encouraged, but not mandatory!



Dress code:

Sneakers only, no
slippers!

No sleeveless shirts,
crop-tops, or shorts!



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 and parish 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 8th to the attention of *Ms. Grover, Life Choices Donation*. Checks can be made out to St. Stan's School.

*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.*

