

## St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"When we give ourselves permission to fail, we, at the same time, give ourselves permission to excel." - Eloise Ristad

January 12, 2017

Dear St. Stan's Families:

I had the privilege of speaking to about 10 parents Monday night about homework. It is what I hope will be one of the first in a series of parent information sessions we will be holding throughout the year. One of the things I stressed, is perfection is not always the goal. Sometimes we learn far more through our academic failures as we do when we succeed. When we say it's okay to fail we also say it's okay to strive to reach new heights. This is something we try to instill in students daily.

As January flies by, we are readying ourselves for Catholic Schools' Week and the many activities that we host. I have enclosed a copy of the schedule for the week of January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please note, we ask all our students to attend our opening Mass on Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 9am in uniform and then join us for breakfast immediately following in the school cafeteria. Breakfast is sponsored by the HSA. I have also included a list of movies that each class will be watching on student appreciation day. If you have an issue with a movie your child is scheduled to see, please contact the office. Our open house on Sunday is designed to meet potential new families, who would like to attend St. Stan's. I ask that you actively recruit friends and families to join us that day and see what we have to offer. On Tuesday and Thursday for Sports Day and our Class Open House, current parents are invited to join us as well. Please note Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> is a 12 noon dismissal with aftercare. We will be having a very informative HSA meeting Wednesday night at 7pm followed by our art show. I hope you can attend. Also please note that by the end of January, the HSA will be sending out work bond status sheets so you can see what is left as part of your obligation.

On a safety note, I am asking that parents do not park or get out of their cars in the fire zone in front of the school during pick up and drop off. It is a safety issue for our students and it disrupts the flow of cars in the parking lot.

Finally, this is a reminder that school is closed on January 16<sup>th</sup> in remembrance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Also there will be delays again with Sayreville buses at dismissal time; due to the Sayreville School system's half day dismissals on January 23, 30 and 31<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to avoid delays in your children arriving home. I suggest your child is either picked up at dismissal or goes to after care.

In His Peace,

Elena Malinconico, Principal

## St. Stanislaus Kostka School, Sayreville, NJ Catholic Schools Week 2017 Schedule of Events

January 22, 2017	9am Opening Mass 10am-12 noon Open House and Breakfast
January 23, 2017	9am The Brain Show Assembly
January 24, 2017	9am-I Iam School Sports Day
January 25, 2017	Student Appreciation Day Movie 7pm Home School Association Meeting 7pm Student Art Show
January 26, 2017	10am Open House Ipm Spelling Bee 7pm First Penance
January 27, 2017	Teacher Appreciation Day 12 noon dismissal

## Catholic Schools Week Movie Selections

Preschool and Kindergarten

First and Second Grade

Third and Fourth Grade

Fifth Grade

Sixth Grade

Seventh Grade

Eighth Grade

Enchanted

Minions

The Secret Life of Pets

Nine Lives

Remember the Titans

Maleficent

Ferris Buehler's Day Off