

St. Stanislaus Kostka School

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

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"Fairness is not every student getting the same thing; it is every student getting what they need."

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Dear St. Stan's Families:

The idea of fairness is a difficult concept for some students. The idea is hard to grasp developmentally for some and for others the idea of fairness is very black and white, as opposed the gray that so much of life is made up. As we work with our students this year on their emotional and social growth, this is one of the topics we feel can be addressed. We have focused on moral issues and helping our students in developing empathy. We have seen a decline in conflicts and issues in school since we have focused energies on these topics. I want to be able to work with parents, as well, on these subjects. You will be receiving an invitation to join me for a discussion on Social Emotional Learning on March 19th.

Mrs. Bellouny, our first grade teacher, brought to us our wonderful Read a Thon fundraiser. I ask that any students who have not made a donations page to do so as soon as possible. We have already raised \$3400.00 for our school and not everyone is registered! The donations are flat donations and we will be giving students' time in school each day to Drop Everything and Read. This fundraiser will end on March 4th which will be our Literacy Day. Stay tuned for information on how you can participate in that day.

On Friday, February 15th there is an early dismissal, it is also a dress down day. We are running a mini retreat in all grades that day with a focus on family life and respect of one another. We will be providing a Philly pretzel for all students as a snack. Students should provide their own drink and an alternate snack if they do not like pretzels.

One more reminder, there is no school on Monday, February 18th, because of President's Day. Enjoy your long weekend.

In His Peace

Elena Malinconico, Principal