



February 12, 2021

NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Today we celebrated Valentine's Day. This coming week is winter break and everyone is eagerly awaiting our time off! When we return, we celebrate the 100th Day on Wednesday! As we celebrate these two favorite holidays, we will take a bit of time to thank God for all he has given to us.

Our registration continues to be strong for next year. Don't forget about the Ambassador Program! You benefit financially with every family that you bring to Seton! See the flyer.

Mrs. Kase, our finance manager, has asked me to remind you that the \$150.00 registration fee will come out of your FACTS account in the first few days of March.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

I can't say it enough! Thank you for supporting our children as we celebrated Catholic School's Week last week! We had so much fun playing and celebrating together. Our kudos go out to all of you. Your efforts of sending in 2,356 food items for the St. Andrew's Food Cupboard will make a great impact on many lives. Today parents delivered everything to St. Andrew's.

VIRTUAL STORY TIMES

There are two great opportunities for some Winter Break entertainment. The Winton Branch Library will feature Dave Preston and Heather Lynn Harris reading and performing their new book [The Monster in My Basement](#). It's a delightful movement based story and a must see for young children!

Also, the Nazareth College Marist Young Adults will have their 2nd story time on January 19 at 2:00pm. Both events are reservation only and will be great opportunities for your children next week! Check out the flyers!

REPORT CARDS

On Friday 2/6/21, your children's report cards were made available for you on MSP. If you have not been able to access these reports, please contact your child's classroom teacher and they will issue you a PDF copy.

LENT

Wednesday Feb. 17th is Ash Wednesday. Ashes will be given in all home parishes.

LENTEN FOCUS

Not only are we called to abstain from luxuries during Lent, we are also called to seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. While many times, we focus on "giving up" something, working to create a better world is another opportunity to prepare for Easter.

By using the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowls, we reflect on the realities of people in need, and to devote prayers, fasting, and almsgiving to changing the lives of the poor. The money raised by CRS Rice Bowl supports not only the prevention of hunger and poverty throughout the world but also here in the United States. On Monday 2/22, your children will be given Rice Bowls for your family use. More information will come home with the Rice Bowl about sending the money in.

Oftentimes, instead of sacrificing something during Lent, Christians will challenge themselves to focus on living more like Christ. Using Christ as our role model, we strive to see every person as a child of God. As we return to school following Winter Break, our morning prayer will be a time for focusing us in that goal. Mrs. Allison Clark (Charlie Clark's mom) has spent the fall semester at Northeastern Seminary developing a unit of study around social justice. Her work will help us to understand what the Gospel says is our responsibility as Christians in the area of Justice. This study dovetails with our core value that we respect every person and treat everyone with kindness. I am excited to see how much we grow as a school community in our approach to each other and others outside our building!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 12-	Valentine's Day Celebrated
Feb. 13-21	NO SCHOOL February Break
Feb. 17	Ash Wednesday
Feb 24-	100 th day (tentative date- depending on whether we have any snow days!)
Feb. 26	Spirit-wear day
Mar. 17	Happy St. Patrick's Day
Apr. 20-22	NYS ELA Assessments Grade 3-6
Mar. 26	Spirit-wear day
Mar. 27- Apr 4	Spring Break:
	Return to school on Tuesday 4/5
Apr. 4	Easter Sunday
Apr. 30	No School: Teacher Scoring Day
May 4-6	NYS Math Assessments Grade 3-6