

Principal's Post#22: A Message from Mrs. Kozlowski January 24, 2024

"We all have the capacity to be a superhero. You just have to find your unique power or ability and exploit it for the greater good. The cape & the mask are optional accessories, but a kind heart is essential." ~Robert Clancy

Catholic Schools Week 2024 is almost here and we are SUPER excited for our celebrations. We will be hosting a First Responders Prayer Service on Monday, January 29, 2024 at 1:00 pm in the school gym. We invite family and friends who are associated with the fire department, police department, EMT services, doctors and nurses to attend this prayer service. Please use the following link to RSVP: <u>https://forms.gle/GqVgmef5BxwzLcTN9</u>

With the inclement weather days from last week, I am accepting nominations for St. Stephen School's Teacher of the Year through this Friday, January 26, 2024. The nomination forms are here: St. Stephen: Registration Summer Camps 2024

Finally, we are pleased to announce another summer camp! Mrs. Olkowski will host a rising 1st and 2nd grade Summer Work Boot Camp from 9-11am the week of June 10. You can register for this camp and all others via: <u>St. Stephen: Registration</u> <u>Summer Camps 2024</u>

Grace and peace, Mrs. Marianne Kozlowski

# **Additional Information:**

# World's Finest Chocolate Sale is ending!

The final date to turn in money for the sale is now Monday, January 29, 2024. THANK YOU to everyone who has so enthusiastically supported this fundraiser. Please see the email from yesterday for additional information.

### Grade 8 Update

When the students took their yearbook photos yesterday, they were provided a half sheet of paper from the photographers. The paper provides the login information for students/families to select their favorite pose. If you have any questions, please contact Galeone at 410-252-5355. Also, the graduation fee of \$100 will be sent to FACTS this Friday. This fee covers a variety of items for the graduation & Mass.

# January 26: SSS Spirit Wear Day or RAVENS Day

Students can wear SSS PE sweatpants along with a SSS shirt/sweatshirt. No additional accessories and no additional cost for participation. Students also have the option to wear SSS PE sweatpants along with a Ravens shirt/sweatshirt/jersey.

**January 27/28:** Catholic Schools Week Kick Off with students attending masses at Holy Spirit and St. Stephen in their regular uniforms. Mass times on Saturday are 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm at St. Stephen, along with 5:00 pm at Holy Spirit. Mass times on Sunday are 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 pm at St. Stephen, along with 9:30 am and 11:00 am at Holy Spirit. All students who attend should look for a St. Stephen faculty member at the conclusion of Mass for a special treat celebrating CSW 2024.

**CSW Day #1 on January 29:** SSS students will enjoy a celebration of our community and nation by wearing SSS PE sweatpants along with patriotic or red/white/blue themed shirts/sweatshirts. Students can also add on red/white/blue accessories of socks, bracelets, necklaces, headbands, hats and sunglasses. No nail polish, hair dye, make up, Crocs or Uggs. Items for the sandwich service project are due today.

**CSW Day #2 on January 30:** Students will wear their regular Tuesday uniform but can add on a superhero cape and/or superhero socks.

**CSW Day #3 on January 31:** SSS students will wear SSS PE sweatpants along with a surprise CSW shirt, which will be gifted to students and faculty earlier in the week. Sneakers only, no Crocs or Uggs. Students should bring a rosary to use for prayer.

**CSW Day #4 on February 1:** Students can wear their SSS PE sweatpants along with a superhero shirt/sweatshirt. No additional accessories and sneakers only - no Crocs or Uggs. There will be no homework on Thursday night, and no tests/quizzes on Friday. HSA is hosting an ice skating night in White Marsh from 5-7 pm.

**CSW Day #5 on February 2:** All SSS students will wear their regular uniform today - no PE uniforms except for prek. All students will have an early dismissal at noon.

# **Additional Updates:**

# Parish Bingo

St. Stephen Parish will be hosting a bingo on Saturday, January 27, 2024 from 6-9pm. Tickets can be purchased from the parish or school office and are \$20. Attendees must be 18 years and older.

# Ice-Skating Spirit Night

Don't miss this inaugural event! We will have a Spirit Night at The Avenue at White Marsh's Outdoor Ice Skating Rink on Thursday, February 1st, from 5-7 P.M. If you mention our flyer, half of the ticket sales goes to our HSA. For advanced ticket sales, go to WhiteMarshIceSkating.com.

# Update from the Archdiocese of Baltimore: Chapter 11

The Archdiocese of Baltimore is in a Chapter 11 Reorganization process and as they work through these steps, there are some items that the parish/school is doing to fulfill the court ordered requirements. One of those requirements is for all parishes and schools to make public that a final date has been decided upon that will serve as a deadline for anyone who has a claim, to submit it to the court. Please click the link for more information. A reminder that parishes and schools have not filed for Chapter 11 reorganization, only the Archdiocese has.