



Principal's Post#23: A Message from Mrs. Kozlowski
January 31, 2024

"You are the hero to your own story."

Thank you for joining in our celebrations related to Catholic Schools Week! We were so pleased to see so many students and families at Masses this past weekend at St. Stephen and Holy Spirit. Questions were raised as to why "out of uniform" passes were not distributed for attending Mass. It is my policy to not provide a reward for something that all families should already be doing as part of their religious formation and Sunday obligation. I also acknowledge that many families attend Mass at various churches throughout the Archdiocese and we greatly appreciate your faithfulness.

Trimester 2 interims are being released today, either electronically or via paper. If you have any questions related to the interim, please contact the specific academic teacher. Trimester 2 ends on Friday, March 8, 2024.

We are pleased to announce YET another summer camp! Mr. Rob Baranoski will be hosting a girls volleyball camp for rising 6th-8th graders during the week of July 29 and for rising 3rd-5th graders during the week of August 5. Don't forget that Mrs. Olkowski is now hosting a rising 1st and 2nd grade Summer Work Boot Camp from 9-11am the week of June 10. You can register for these camps and all others via: [St. Stephen: Registration Summer Camps 2024](#)

Finally, Mrs. Libbie Kendall (middle school) has informed us that she will be retiring at the end of the 2023/24 school year. We deeply appreciate Mrs. Kendall's dedication to Catholic education throughout her long career in the Archdiocese, especially during these last two years at St. Stephen School. We will be posting this position and interviewing candidates for the 24/25 school year.

Grace and peace,
Mrs. Marianne Kozlowski

Additional Information:

CSW Day #4 on February 1: Students can wear their SSS PE sweatpants along with a superhero shirt/sweatshirt. If a student does not have a superhero shirt, he/she is welcome to wear their SSS PE shirt. 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. If you mention the flyer, half of the ticket sales goes back to our HSA. For advanced ticket sales, go to WhiteMarshIceSkating.com.

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.

100th DAY OF SCHOOL CELEBRATION

The 100th day of school is on Wednesday, February 7, 2024. All students and faculty members are invited to dress as though they are "100 years old". This is an optional dress up day with no additional cost to participate. If a student chooses to not participate, he/she will wear their normal Wednesday uniform.

Two hour delay: Monday, February 12, 2024

On Monday, February 12, 2024, St. Stephen will have a two hour delay due to professional development for the faculty in the morning. Safeties will begin opening car doors at 9:40 am, with morning announcements at 10:00 am. Prek3 students will have school from 9:40 am until noon.

February 13, 2024: Valentine's Day Add-On

For \$2, students are permitted to wear their SSS PE sweatpants, along with red/pink/Valentine's Day shirts/sweatshirts. They may also wear Valentine's Day accessories and socks. No nail polish or hair dye. All money from this day will support the upcoming Lion King, Jr. musical production.

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday, February 14, 2024, all students will attend Mass and receive ashes. A reminder that both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence.