



Principal's Post#28: A Message from Mrs. Kozlowski

March 6, 2024

“Lent is about becoming, doing and changing, whatever it is that is blocking the fullness of life that is in us right now.” ~Sr. Joan Chittister

As we are halfway through the season of Lent, I sincerely hope that your action plan for Lent is helping you to grow closer to God and that you are removing any barriers that are preventing it from happening. Thank you to 6th and 1st grade for leading the school in Stations of the Cross at the end of last week.

Thank you to those of you that have already completed the Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic Schools Stakeholder survey, which is a vital component of our ongoing efforts for continuous improvement. This survey aims to gather valuable feedback from every member of our school communities, helping us gain insights to strengthen our school culture, climate, and Catholic Identity. The survey for parents closes on March 15. I ask that each family fill out one survey per household:

<https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/245634/27420/1>

Best wishes to our grade 6 students who will be presenting their Science Fair projects next week. We appreciate your hard work that you are putting forth in working through the scientific method with your projects. Finally, next week is tech week for our performers in The Lion King, Jr. We hope that you consider coming to see the many talents of this group of 5th-8th graders the weekend of March 15. Tickets for the Friday, March 15, 2024 show at 6:30 pm and the Saturday, March 16, 2024 show at 1 pm are now on sale. [Get your tickets here via this link!](#)

Grace and peace,
Mrs. Marianne Kozlowski

Additional Information:

Who to email when a student is absent or leaving early

Just a reminder to continue to email Miss Judy (jbush@sss.school.org), the nurse's office (mtabassi@sss.school.org) and your child's homeroom teacher if your child is absent or will be leaving early. We continue to have access to Mrs. Tabassi's emails related to health and illness absences. Thank you.

Book Week celebrations continue! We are celebrating the love of reading at St. Stephen School!

March 7: Dress as a cow or in black and white

March 8: Wear your pajamas or couch potato clothes. No slippers or nightgowns.

March 8: Last day of trimester 2. There is an early dismissal for students at noon.

March 15: Trimester 2 report cards distributed electronically. Grade 8 scholarship awards and special program accomplishments due to Mrs. Liberto.

March 18: St. Patrick's Day Add-On

For \$2, students can add-on green/St. Patrick's Day themed shirts/sweatshirts to their SSS PE sweatpants. Additional accessories of socks, hats, necklaces, headbands are permitted. No hair dye.

Summer Camps

Don't forget to register for all of the spectacular summer camps that will be held at St. Stephen School in June and July 2024. We appreciate our faculty and staff taking the time to create and run these camps for our students. The link to register can be found here: [Summer Camp Registration](#)

St. Stephen Church: Spaghetti Dinner

Save the date as the church is hosting a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, March 10, 2024. Please contact the church if you are interested in volunteering your time and talents. You can see the attachments for more information.

Girl Scout sponsored Easter Bunny Breakfast

The Girl Scouts are hosting their 23rd Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, March 23 from 9-11 am. Tickets are \$15 per person (ages 3 and up) and must be purchased in advance. Payments will be accepted via cash dropped off to the school office or parish center in an envelope labeled "ATTN: Meghan Dodge, re: Bunny Breakfast"; or via PayPal to "ssstroop4181@gmail.com". Register by 15 March at <https://forms.gle/gRHemBciuc2aRnJz5>. For any questions please contact: ssstroop4181@gmail.com

St. Stephen Parish Blood Drive

St. Stephen Parish is hosting an American Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 8:00-1:30 pm in the gym. Please see the attached document to schedule your donation. Thank you in advance for your consideration.