

Principal Post #22: A Message from Dr. Kozlowski February 5, 2025

"Give thanks with a grateful heart." I Thessalonians 5:18

It appears that inclement weather is on the horizon for us again. As a reminder, we have used two of our three "true" snow days where students do not have any assigned work. We have one more day to use as a "true snow day.". If we were to reach inclement weather day #4, students will have asynchronous work to complete from home. The assignments would be posted by teachers by 9:00 am. If this were to happen, a detailed explanation letter would accompany any emails/phone calls/texts that you receive from me regarding school closures.

Even though we are still very much in winter, we are excited to share with you our Summer Camp 2025 offerings here at St. Stephen School. You can follow the link <u>HERE</u> to see the camps that are being offered by our faculty members throughout June and July. Registration is now open by clicking on the link within the document. If you have any questions regarding the camps, please contact the faculty member that is hosting the camp.

Finally, we have more good news to share with you! At the end of 2024, we received a donation check from a non-profit organization of \$10,000 for the explicit use to upgrade and enhance the microphone, speaker and sound system in the gym. This will enhance our assemblies, musical productions and events that happen in the gym. We are in the process of working with Whiteford Systems to create both a short-term and long-term plan for these enhancements. We anticipate the total cost of the project to between \$15 and 18,000. We will continue to explore other ways to fund the remainder of the project.

Grace and peace,
Dr. Marianne Kozlowski

Additional Information:

Support Our Eagle Fun Run & Field Day – Become a Sponsor!

St. Stephen School is looking for local businesses to sponsor our Eagle Fun Run & Field Day on May 9th! This is a great opportunity to support our students while gaining visibility in the community. Sponsors will have their business name or logo featured on the event shirts worn by every student and staff member, as well as on our donation platform and promotional materials. Sponsorship levels start at \$350, and the deadline to commit is February 28th. If you or a business you know is interested, please contact Mary McKernan at mmckernan@ssschool.org for more details. Sponsor form is attached.

Thank you for supporting our school and helping make this event a success!

Mr. Cox is hosting a 3D printing club session for winter/spring for students in grades 6-8. It will be on Thursdays after-school and the permission slip/registration can be found <u>HERE</u>.

February 7: Scouting America Day

Students who participate in Scouting America can wear their Scouting America uniforms to school as a way to celebrate and represent this organization.

February 14: Early dismissal for students and faculty at noon

This is also Valentine's Day. 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.

February 17: School closed for faculty and students due to President's Day

February 18: Winter Sports Add-On day or SSS Spiritwear Day

Students who participate in winter sports (basketball) for SSS can wear their SSS sports shirt/jersey with their SSS PE sweatpants. Students who are not winter athletes can wear SSS spiritwear shirt or sweatshirt with their SSS PE sweatpants. There is no additional cost for participation.

February 20: Class of 2025 High School admissions decisions released after 4:00pm. The John Carroll School Rock Band will also perform a concert for all of our students in the afternoon.