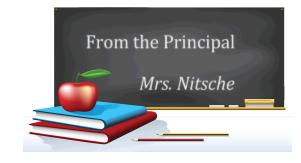
SAINT CAJETAN SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

So I am almost through my first Catholic Schools Week as a principal and can't help but reflect on some of the powerful messages our children have been exposed to thus far. We kicked off the week with Family Mass and Open House. We received such positive feedback from both prospective and current parents regarding how great the school looked, how respectful our students were and how warm the culture felt. Kudos to our teachers, students, parents, and School Board members for all their hard work in preparing!



We then had the Fingertips Program, sponsored by our Women's Club, come in and share the message of finding your passion, going after your dreams, and being comfortable with exactly how God created you. The St. Rita Jazz Band followed up the next day and reiterated that same message to our students through the power of their musical talents. We were able to gather together in a Prayer Service on Wednesday, led by our Kindergarten students and Fr Frank, and used that time to recognize the blessings we have and the sacrifices others make for us. Today we celebrate our students, their commitment to our faith and their dedication to represent our school in a positive light. We will end our week with a staff vs. student volleyball match, such a fun way to bring our entire school together one last time before closing out this week. The teachers have a secret weapon they are bringing with them that they are confident will assist in their victory!!

This week has not only deepened my passion for catholic education, it had made me appreciate all the sacrifices each and every one of you make for your children and for our community. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you do!

Michelle Nitsche Principal

St. Baldrick's T-shirts

If you would like to order a St. Baldrick's t-shirt, please print out the <u>order form</u> attached. The students will be able to wear these shirts for a dress down day in March. To sign up or donate for this cause please visit https://www.stbaldricks.org/events/stcajetan17

St. Baldrick's/Irish Fest

St Cajetan is "Braving the Shave and Taking the Stage!" Please join us for our 3rd annual St. Baldrick's event on March 11th from 5pm-9pm in the gymnasium. This year, we are joining forces with the Annual Irish Dance Party, which features entertainment by local Irish Dance schools. We continue to remember and honor Liam Bonner, as well as support Elliot McGann in his battle with leukemia. Our new lil' honoree is Beau Dowling, son of a Cajetan alum. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Chess Players NEEDED!

Last call for chess registration is tomorrow. If we do not receive 4 more sign ups it is likely Coach Theo will be unable to continue to offer the chess program to St Cajetan students next year. He blocks out Thursdays for Cajetan and has an offer to pick up a different school for next year with larger participation. It is open to all ages! Please contact the school office if you would like to register.

Children's Choir Dates

Our children's choir will be singing at 4:00 mass on February 18th (this date may change), March 4th, April 1st, and May 13th.

Dine-Out Night at Fox's

Enjoy a delicious meal from Fox's of Beverly on Tuesday, February 7 and 20% of you bill will be donated to St. Cajetan School. Be sure Fox's receives this <u>flyer</u> at the time of payment. It will be used as proof of purchase.

Registration

School registration for our current families was due January 27. Please be mindful that if you did not register yet, the fee is now \$75.00. It is incredibly important to return this form so we know how many spots are open in each classroom, especially Kindergarten and Preschool. We have 18 current families that have not yet registered. If you are one, please take the time to fill out the form tonight and return with your \$75 fee tomorrow. Registration Form

If you have indicated that you will be registering a **new** student for next year and have not returned their registration paperwork, please do so at your earliest convenience. Preschool is quickly filling up....and we would like to accommodate our current families first.

Sacramental Information:

2nd Grade

Reconciliation Date: February 25th at 10:00 am (please note change in time)

Reconciliation Meeting for Parents: February 8th at 7:00

Communion Date: April 29th at 11:00

Communion Practice: April 26th from 4:00-5:00

8th Grade

Confirmation Date: Friday, March 3rd at 7:00 pm

Confirmation Retreat Date: February 15th at 7:00 pm. All 8th grade students and their sponsors (or other adult if the sponsor cannot attend) are to attend. Fr. Richie Mercado from St. Rita will be leading this retreat.

School Play

Our school play this year will be Alice and Wonderland! Our actors and actresses are already hard at work. We are looking for families/ corporations to purchase personal ads in the playbill <u>flyer</u>. The deadline for placing your ad is February 10.



Thank You!

Thank you to FSA for sponsoring a sold-out B-I-N-G-O night!!! A great time was had by all. Also, thank you for preparing a deluxe spread of breakfast foods for our staff on Wednesday morning. All your gestures are more than appreciated.



Trivia Night Raffle and Auction Items

This Saturday is Trivia Night!! There are some amazing auction items and raffle prizes this year. Please see the attached <u>form</u> for a sneak peek. New this year.... You can use a CHARGE CARD for all purchases! Hip, Hip HURRAY!!

Community News

Ridge Run