Principal's Post

March 22, 2018

Dear Parents,

Thank you so very, very much to all who volunteered for our 50/50 Sabres Night!! We earned \$1,000 for our school for a few hours of "work" and the chance to watch the game! We're hoping to do this again next year now that we know how well it works and how fun it can be!

There is NO Student Council Dance tomorrow. There will be a Minis Dance for students in grades 3-5 on Fri., April 27th.

Ticket sales for reserved tables are going fast for this year's Comedy Night scheduled for April 14th. For \$35.00 per person (or \$250.00 for a reserved table of 8), you will get a buffet dinner from Chef's, performances from 2 hilarious stand-up comedians (Dan Viola and Moody McCarthy), beer, wine, soda and a basket raffle. Be sure to get your order in before the tables sell out; we've been advertising through many venues, so don't miss out! More information can be found in your folder and tickets can be ordered directly through our school website.

Please remember that in lieu of the Theme Tray Auction where we asked each family to donate a basket to raffle, we are instead asking each grade to donate the components for baskets to be raffled off at Comedy Night and the 5K Race. Donated items are asked to be turned in to homerooms by next Tuesday, March 27th. Please see the flier for more information.

As a reminder, transportation requests for bussing for students that do not reside in the Williamsville district must be made to the district in which you reside by <u>April 1st</u> (WHICH WILL BE DURING EASTER BREAK!) in order to be assured that your service will not be interrupted for the 2018-19 school year. This must be completed each year. Forms can be found on our school website under the "Joining" tab.

We still have not heard from 25 families regarding registration for next year. Re-registration paperwork was due Feb. 2^{nd} . If you have any questions about re-registration, please email Mrs. Sutton at ssutton@ssppschool.com.

Spring STREAM Academy signups began yesterday. The sign up link can be found on our school website homepage and the link was also emailed to our K-8 families. Academies begin April 11th (the week we return from Easter break). The fee for each club is \$20.00.

Many thanks to all those who donated to our Teacher Treat this week! We sooooo enjoy our food and it is greatly appreciated by all of our staff for your generosity.

There are only a few more months of school left in order to get your Volunteer Hours in, but we've got some great opportunities coming up for you! Our Volunteer Hours forms have been coming in and the HSA is pleased so far with the tracking of hours that they've been doing, but we could still use some helpers to pitch in who may have been waiting for the "right opportunity"! The 5K Race is a big one coming up that could use volunteers!

Report Cards will be posted to the Parent Portal tomorrow morning for students in grades 3-8 and will be mailed to families for students in grades K-2.

Ss. Peter and Paul Parish's St. Ann's Sodality will be holding its annual event on Sun., April 15th. This year's event entitled "*Tiptoe Through the Flowers*" will feature a delicious luncheon and giant basket raffle at Salvatore's Italian Gardens. There will be no fashion show portion for the event. Presale tickets are \$35.00 each for adults and \$15.00 for children 12 & under. An order form is enclosed. The St. Ann's Sodality has always been generous to SSPP School. Each year they make a monetary donation from the proceeds of their annual event to the school which is used directly for student benefit.

NYS ELA Assessments are scheduled for students in grades 3-8 April 11th and 12th (the week we return to school after Easter break). The tests have been shortened this year to 2 days. Our students are well prepared for this exam and only need to rest well the night before, eat a good breakfast the day of and do their best. The NYS Mathematics Assessments are scheduled for May 2nd and 3rd.

There will be no school banking next week.

Boy Scout Troops 22 and 286 and Venture Crew 286 will be hosting a Fish Fry Dinner tomorrow night from 4:00-7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Prices are \$12.00 for adults and \$8.00 for children. Pizza dinners are also available for \$6.00.

Our Knights on the Run 5K Training for students in grades 4-8 will begin Tuesday, April 10th from 2:15-3:00 pm. This is a mindful running program that inspires children to be happy, healthy and confident. Please see the flier for more information.

Save the Date! Our Father/Daughter Dance will be held on Sat., May 12th. The dance committee is looking for donations of any large boxes for the decorations they are planning. Please let Becky Lukan know if you might have one or two beckyreadlukan@gmail.com.

Congratulations to our Neumann Catholic Swim League members who achieved All Star times in one or more strokes during the 2017 swim season. Receiving a patch for this accomplishment were Brianna Adamczyk, Macey Kovach, Cara Marchese, Emily McCormick, Morgan McCormick, Kennedy Merriman, Thomas Barcomb, Aaron Reeb, Tanner Tevens and Tyler Tevens. In addition, 4 of our swimmers have been awarded trophies for achieving All Star times in EVERY stroke – a very difficult accomplishment! These students are Aniella Piscitello, Gabby Adamczyk, Phillip Attea and Henry Weimer.

Finally, through the efforts of our STREAM Coordinator, Mrs. Lindner, SSPP School is proud to announce that we have been awarded an \$8,500.00 grant from the Upon This Rock Foundation to create a dedicated Makerspace within our school. The space will be filled with hands-on activities, materials, engineering projects and very exciting and new technology. We are very excited about this addition to our STREAM school!

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