



Saint Katharine Drexel Catholic School

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Principal's Newsletter

October 5, 2017

Dear Parents,

Throughout the school year, we are reminded of the many ways our school community portrays and shares our Catholic identity. We know that by the time our students graduate from 8th grade, they are well aware of this identity. Each day, we help our students develop a true understanding of their parent's gift of a Catholic education!

In order to continue educating our students and empowering them with the essential tools for life, we heavily rely on our benefactors. Today, we had the special opportunity to host a Bridge Education Foundation Event and personally thank state/district representatives and businesses who have directed their tax dollars through the EITC Program into our community. Because of financial support like this, we are able to offer a Catholic Education to all who desire it for their children. It also helps us bridge the gap between what is charged for tuition and the actual cost of educating our students.

Thank you for constant support and prayers for our school. I encourage you to continue to support our work as we advance our mission to provide a transformative education steeped in academic excellence to our deserving students. There is no greater investment for forming our future leaders and saints than a Catholic education!

God's blessings,
Ms. Clark

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

10/6: Mass 9am / SKD Dance

10/12: School Pictures

10/14: Golf Outing

10/20: NO SCHOOL

10/21-10/22: New Playground Installation

10/27: Jean Day / Community Homeroom

10/31: PreK and K Halloween Parade / Saint Parade

IMPORTANT- Council Rock School District Bussing

Once again, CR has made some changes to the AM schedule. Please see if your child is affected by this change (AM bus number or AM pick up time) by checking MSP. This change will be in effect beginning Monday, October 9th.

Assumption BVM's Forty Hours

Assumption BVM Church will hold its annual Forty-Hours Devotion October 8-9-10. On October 10th, we will have the solemn closing of Forty Hours. All students are strongly encouraged to attend. All students should wear their school uniforms.

Healthy Hands, Healthy Heart

Fall is here, and with the cool breeze comes the unfortunate cold and flu! **If your child is sick, please keep him or her home.** Please remind your child to always remember to wash his or her hands. Studies have proven that hand washing (next to the flu shot) is the BEST way to avoid colds and flu. A healthy diet and sleep also keep your immune system going, so be sure that your child gets plenty of rest!

Student Safety First

Please enter the morning drop-off car line with caution. The morning drop off is an express line; parents may not stop and get out of their cars. Students must exit from the **PASSENGER SIDE** only. Students **MUST be ready** to exit the car once pulling into the car line drop-off in order to eliminate back-up traffic. **DO NOT DRIVE OUT OF THE CAR LINE. PLEASE WAIT FOR THE LINE TO MOVE SLOWLY TO EXIT.** If you need to bring your child into the school building, you **MUST** park your car and enter through the main school entrance. You must report to the office.

SKD Golf Outing

The SKD Parents Association is once again coordinating the Fourth Annual Saint Katharine Drexel School Golf Outing on Saturday, October 14th. You can either golf in the event, which includes lunch, golf, dinner and prizes, or just attend the evening dinner. See the golfer registration form for details. This is one of our largest fundraisers for the school, so your participation is greatly appreciated. It promises to be a great day for everyone involved and for the school. **Tomorrow (10/6/2017) is the last day to register for the Golf Outing. If you are not able to submit the forms but would like to attend please email skdparent@skdschool.org with your intentions and we will mark you down for attendance.**

Announcements / News for the Principal's Newsletter

Do have a special accomplishment or achievement to share? Please let us know the great things that are happening for our school students / families. We would like to include this in our weekly newsletter. We are proud of our SKD School Community. If you have information that you would like to be included in our weekly newsletter, please send your information to Ms. Clark no later than Tuesday to be included Thursday's newsletter.

Late Arrivals

After 8:15am, your child is considered late. For Pre-kindergarten, after 8:30am, your child is considered late. Parent and child must report to the school office and sign a late arrival form. The child will then receive a late slip to give to his/her homeroom teacher. Please make every effort to get your child to school on time. This teaches our students respect and courtesy along with an understanding of the importance of being on time.

When a child is late, it disrupts the morning routines of the classroom and often the child becomes overwhelmed.

Early Dismissal

If your child must leave school before the end of the school day, an early dismissal form must be completed and sent to the homeroom teacher in the morning. Parents are to come to the school office to pick up their child for dismissal.

Monthly Prayer List

Prayer requests will be mentioned and remembered each day by our students during community prayer. Please let the school office know of any special intentions that you may have.

Health and Wellness Policy

In accordance with the Archdiocese Wellness Policy, the Council Rock School District, and our school health committee, **no food/candy treats will be allowed at school for birthday celebrations.**

Like us on Facebook

Along with visiting our website, additional ways to stay informed about the many exciting happenings at SKD School is to like us on Facebook at St. Katharine Drexel Regional Catholic School. Tell your friends to like us too.

Box Tops and Campbell Soup Labels

Please remember that SKD School participates in the Box Tops for Education Program and the Campbell Soup Labels. Look for the Box Tops logo on various products. Clip off the Box Top and save them for our school. Each Box Top is worth .10 that begins to add up rather quickly. The school has the potential to raise \$5000.00.

Smile.Amazon.com

When shopping online, please use the above site. Select SKD and a portion of the sale will go to our school.

Giant's A+ Program

Please go online to www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus and register your Giant card designating SKD School ID #23572 as the recipient of your rewards. Please tell your family and friends to help us out too.

The Mission of St. Katharine Drexel Catholic School is to form Catholic leaders through academic excellence, personal discipline, and Christian service.