

# **Saint Katharine Drexel Catholic School**

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## **Principal's Newsletter**

***September 21, 2017***

**Dear Parents,**

As we continue to promote kindness in our classroom, cafeteria, school yard, and school community, there is so much wonderful learning happening at all grades levels.

- Our Student Council and our National Junior Honors Society has adopted a classroom to aid the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Each classroom received a backpack graphic with prices to hang in their classroom. The goal is to raise enough money to fill a backpack. Each class will try to fill as many backpacks as possible.
- Our students have been working hard and trying to complete Random Acts of Kindness each day. Kindness is discussed each day at the beginning of community prayer and then within each students' individual homeroom. They are reminded that "Kindness inspires Kindness."
- Our students have been visiting their prayer buddies and completing various activities with each other. It is so nice to witness this partnership between our younger students and our older students.

As always, I thank you for your prayers and support for our school. We ask our Lord to help us remember our main purpose in life- to know, to love, and to serve Him through knowing, loving, and serving others!

God's blessings,  
Ms. Clark

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**9/21:** Ice Cream Social / Movie Night 6:30-8pm  
**9/29:** Yankee Candle Sale begins  
**10/2:** Saint Bede's Forty Hours Begins  
**10/3:** Closing of Forty Hours  
**10/4:** NO SCHOOL  
**10/6:** Mass 9am / SKD Dance  
**10/12:** School Pictures  
**10/14:** Golf Outing  
**10/20:** NO SCHOOL

### **Ice Cream Social and Movie Night- TONIGHT**

Our Parent Association will hold their annual "Welcome Back Ice Cream Social and Movie Night" on Thursday from 6:30-8pm in the cafeteria.

Please join us for a cold treat and reconnect with old and new friends! Your child has no homework this evening, so please join us!

### **Saint Bede's Forty Hours**

Saint Bede the Venerable Church will hold its annual Forty-Hours Devotion October 1-2-3. On October 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will have the solemn closing of Forty Hours with a Procession. All students are strongly encouraged to attend the procession. All students are to be in uniform and meet in 6A.

### **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.

### **Attendance**

School Hours are from 8:15am to 2:45PM. Please call the school office and leave your child's name and room number on the attendance line if your child is going to be absent for the day. If the absence is not reported to the office by 9am, a phone call will be made to confirm an absence.

### **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](http://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.***