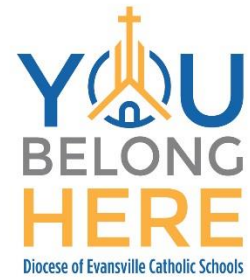




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Parent Newsletter

Friday, March 5, 2021



SCHOOL BENEFIT AUCTION



We want to thank the Auction Committee for their hard work and dedication in making this year's virtual auction a reality! We also want to thank everyone who donated items and supported this year's auction. Over \$32,000 worth of half-pot tickets were sold! Finally, we want to thank the PTO for putting the beautiful Fiesta Baskets together! Free dress passes can still be purchased this week, and fund-an-item donations can still be brought to the school or parish office.

STANDARDIZED TESTING DATES

Mark your calendars for these important dates:

*Students in grade 3 will be taking the IREAD test from March 8-19th. Mrs. Walker will let families know of the exact dates.

*Students in grades 3-5 will be taking the ILEARN test from April 19th through May 14th. Again, the teachers will let families know of the exact dates when the testing window gets closer.

Please make sure that your children get plenty of sleep and eat a good breakfast. Encourage them to do their best, to read carefully, and to check their work. These are things that we encourage the students to do anytime tests are given in class. Also, please try to avoid scheduling appointments during school hours on these days. Thank you!

HOLLY'S HOUSE PRESENTATIONS

Holly's House will be presenting virtual lessons to the K-5th graders during the week of March 15th. These "Think First & Stay Safe" lessons teach children to identify and outsmart the lures that are consistently used in predatory crimes against children. The children will also learn essential personal safety skills to improve self-reliance and raise self-esteem, while also reassuring them that most people are kind, safe, and committed to their well-being. A permission slip containing more information can be found in this week's Friday Folder.



SCHOLASTIC SPRING ONLINE BOOK FAIR

We are partnering with Scholastic Books to offer an online Spring book fair for our students from March 15-28th. You and your children will be able to experience a virtual fair and browse through Scholastic's catalog of over 6,000 titles. Christian and Easter themed books will also be available. Books are delivered directly to your house! Please see the flyer in last week's Friday Folder for more information.

END OF THE 3rd QUARTER

This Friday, March 12th is the last day of the 3rd grading period. Students must meet their AR goals for the 3rd quarter by the end of the day on Friday in order to participate in the reward.

CUSTODIAN POSITION

We are looking for another person to join our custodial team and work one to three days each week. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about this opportunity, please contact the school office at 812-838-3621.

LAPTOP NEEDS A GOOD HOME

If your family is in need of a gently used laptop to help your children with homework, please contact the school office. We guarantee that the price is right!

YEARBOOK ORDERS—DEADLINE APPROACHING

The deadline to order a St. Matthew School yearbook for 2020-2021 is March 24th. If you have questions about how to place an order, please call the office.

OPEN HOUSE & KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP

If you know someone who is interested in learning more about St. Matthew School and possibly enrolling their child in grades K-5 next year, please have them contact the school office at 812-838-3621.

LUNCH MENU

Monday, March 8

Mini Corndogs or Chef Salad with Breadstick,
Peas & Carrots, Steamed Broccoli, Applesauce, and Milk

Tuesday, March 9

Chicken Parmesan with Breadstick or Chef Salad with Breadstick,
Corn, Salad, Peaches, and Milk

Wednesday, March 10

Breaded Pork Chop or Chef Salad with Breadstick,
Green Beans, Glazed Carrots, Pineapple Tidbits, and Milk

Thursday, March 11

BBQ Meatballs or Chef Salad with Breadstick,
Baked Beans, Mixed Veggies, Diced Pears, and Milk

Friday, March 12

Strawberry-Banana Yogurt or Chef Salad,
Graham Crackers, Tater Tots, Mixed Fruit, and Milk