Saint Teresa School

February 2, 2024



Saint Teresa of the Child Jesus School welcomes students and their families into a dedicated Catholic community, where all are challenged to learn and live by the teachings of Jesus Christ, as they discover and develop the uniqueness each has been given to be used for the betterment of all creation.

Important Dates to Remember!

- Monday, February 5
 - o Coin Wars Begin!
 - o Dress Down- \$1.00
- Tuesday, February 6
 - o PTO Meeting
 - o Mass
- Wednesday, February 7
 - o Dress Down \$2.00 (flyer below)
- Friday, February 9
 - o Middle School Dance
- February 19-23
 - o February Vacation! No school

Principal Update

Dear Families,

We have had a lot of excitement here at school this week! The week was spent celebrating Catholic schools' week. Students engaged in age-appropriate games such as Minute-to-win-it and Bingo. They did various mini-service projects around the school such as cleaning the tiles, and the lower grades enjoyed lunch and activities with their buddies. The celebration ended today with a formal mass, hosted by grade four and a luncheon for the faculty.

Last fall, our students entered a poster contest sponsored by Knights of Columbus called Keeping Christ in Christmas. Our students entered the contest in November, with four being selected to represent Saint Teresa's at the state level. One of our students, Logan Hetland, won for the state of Rhode Island and will represent Rhode Island at the national level. Great job Logan!

For the past two weeks, Saint Teresa hosted its annual Science Fairs. All our students did a super job! Parents and judges commented on how well spoken the students were and the quality of the research. I believe we are seeing the effects of public speaking - the students were comfortable, articulate and did not look at their notes when presenting. Based on the votes of the judges I would now like to announce the winners: **Grade 8** - first place is Michael Cute, second place is Gianna Leah-Duarte and Joshua Coelho is the alternate. **Grade 7** - first place is Will Landry, second place is Kasara Harris and Gianni Ceceri is the alternate. **Grade 6** - first place is Cairo Carvalho, second place is Manny Depina and Adrian Lima is the alternate. First and second place winners will represent Saint Teresa's at the ble to attend. Good job everyone!

Thank you to Michael Cute and Adriana Sandoval for representing Saint Teresa's at the Regional Spelling Bee. You both worked hard and represented your school well. We all thank you.

Next week the Parent Council is sponsoring the **Penny Wars**. The kids are looking forward to competing as to which class will win this Mario themed fundraiser. Please help your child's class to win by sending in your loose change. We'll keep you posted on their progress.

Thank you everyone for your continued support of Saint Teresa's School.

Sue Mansfield Principal

Middle School Dance



COIN WARS!!



STS IS HOSTING

SUPER MARIO COIN WARS



WHAT IS IT? Coin Wars is a fundraiser where teams compete for the most points (we are adding a fun Super Mario Bros. spin). Students/families bring in pennies, \$1, \$5 and/or checks to place in their team jar for positive points and silver coins, \$10 and \$20 to decrease the amount of points in other jars. Of course, in the end, everyone wins as our school benefits from all funds raised!

HOW IT WORKS/RULES:

- Students are divided into grade-level teams and each assigned a collection jar.
- Jars will be located outside the office each morning from 8:00-9:00 AM.
- Pennies, \$1, \$5 and Checks are positive points.
 All other currency (silver coins, \$10 and \$20) are negative points.
- Please make checks payable to St. Teresa School.
- The money in each class jar will be counted daily and the points tallied. Point standings will be announced at the end of school each day and posted to the school Facebook page.

POINTS VALUES:

- Penny: [+] Add 1 point
- Check: (+) Add check amount
 (e.q. \$5 check = 500 points)
- Nickel: (-) Subtract 5 pointsDime: (-) Subtract 10 points
- Quarter: (-) Subtract 25 points
- \$1 Bill: (+) Add 100 points
- \$5 Bill: (+) Add 500 points
- \$10 Bill: (-) Subtract 1000 points\$20 Bill: (-) Subtract 2000 points
- Members of the team with the most points at the end of each day (Mon - Thurs) may wear crazy socks to school the very next day to celebrate their victory.

(Leaderboard will be announced to students each day by our principal after the count is in). Parents will receive the daily leaderboard info via email & our Facebook page.

 The grade-level team with the most points at the end of the week wins a VERY SPECIAL TREAT DURING LUNCH IN THE & A FREE DRESS DAY!

ACADEMIC CONNECTIONS

- 2. Students practice counting money.
- 3. Builds classroom camaraderie.
- 4. New vocabulary strategy, competition, SABOTAGE

PRACTICE AT HOME

- 1. Practice identifying money values and counting money. Older students can practice converting money to Penny War points.
- 2. Have your child total the points that they are planning to donate to their classroom jar. Review the end of day tally sheet to see how many of the total points they contributed.

TEAM MASCOTS



Sports Update from Ms. Bonner, A.D.

Our winter sports have been going strong! All teams are doing a great job. Come check out a basketball game sometime!



We'd like to wish our junior cheerleaders good luck at their competition this Sunday at La Salle. If interested in cheering them on they are scheduled to perform around 11am.



Looking to cheer on one of our basketball teams? Here's a look at the games this weekend.

Saturday Feb 3rd (all Saturday games are away this week)

- •10:00am- St. Teresa AT St. Augustine (BGD2)
- •1:00pm- St. Teresa- Green AT Holy Apostles (BGD1)
- •1:00pm- St. Teresa- White AT St. Brendan/St. Martha (BGD1)
- •2:00pm- St. Teresa AT St. Brendan/St. Martha (BJD2)

Sunday Feb 4th

(both Sunday games are held at home/ Saint Raphael Academy this week)

- •1:00pm- St. Joan of Arc AT St. Teresa (BJD1)
- •2:00pm- OLMC-Blue AT St. Teresa (Junior Inst)

Dress Down Day!



PTO Meeting



FEBRUARY LUNCH MENU

