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Newsletter

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Principally Speaking

The 2nd Trimester ends February 23, so you really need to stay on top of grades and missing assignments.

We are having a lot of conversations around the topic of school safety. It is never something easy to talk about but definitely necessary. I will keep you posted on drills and information as it happens.

As the weather is getting cooler, please make sure your child's name is in their coats and sweatshirts!!! We can't get them back when we find them on the playground if we don't know who they belong to.

Thank you for blessing us with your child(ren) each day. Team Eagle!

Mrs. Long
Principal

St. Lawrence Athletics...

Coordinators for Sports:

Volleyball - Carmella Caine

Soccer - Jen Huiet and Ben Hornback

Boys Basketball - Noah Hornback (513-490-4208)

Girls Basketball - Chris Caine (513-276-6681)

Softball/Baseball - Scott Priestly (513-374-2240)

Follow the St. Lawrence Athletic Association on Facebook!

The Leader In Me...

January

Habit 4: Think Win-Win, tells us that we must remember to balance courage for getting what we want with consideration for what others want. When conflicts do arise—because they will—we look for 3rd Alternatives. We cooperate instead of compete. Think of someone in your family with whom you sometimes compete. Now think about sharing a remote control with this person. Here are some possible outcomes you may have rehearsed in your mind:

Win-lose: I get the remote and you get nothing. We don't have enough for both of us.

Lose-win: You get the remote and I get nothing. If you win, I am a loser.

Lose-lose: We argue and I throw the remote against the wall.

If I'm going down, you're going down with me.

Did this alternative come to mind?

Win-win: You and I decide to turn off the TV and play cards. It's not about you or me; it's about both of us.

Habits at Home

Examples of how you can practice Habit 4 at home:

1) Gather old toys that your child may no longer want. Have them donate these to a local charity. Discuss how this is a win-win for them and another child.

2) Community Service: Have your family participate in a community service event (Habitat for Humanity, soup kitchen service, clothes closet, etc.). Discuss afterwards how it was a win-win for the family and for others.

Dennise Macedo's new cell phone number is 513-391-0860. She is only in the office 8:00-10:30am and 12:00-2:30pm. ***she is NOT available between 10:30am-12:00pm*

School Of Faith

St. Lawrence is implementing the School of Faith model as another dimension of our Catholic identity. This means that we as a school, staff and students strive to demonstrate our faith and belief in God as a Catholic school and community. Our staff is engaging in a guided study of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We are communally studying and praying with each other using the Bible. We want to challenge our school families to actively engage in living our Catholic faith and Christian identity.

In the Rite of Baptism parents are reminded that when they ask to have their child baptized they are accepting the responsibility of training the child in the practice of the faith. Parents are reminded that it is their duty to bring the child up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. The lives of the parents and godparents are to be examples of faith to inspire the child. They must make it their constant care to bring the child up in the practice of the faith.

What does it mean to raise a child in the practice of faith? How do we practice our faith? What are the basic expectations that the Catholic Church has for its members in practicing the faith? In what ways does a family share and demonstrate faith? One way is to worship together. Bringing our children to church with us teaches them the value of worship. Hold little ones on your lap and whisper in their ear at the time of the Consecration when the Eucharist is becoming the body, blood, soul and divinity of Christ and Father elevates the Host, "That is Jesus." After mass, have your child tell you what the Gospel was about or what was said in the homily. Make worshiping together a time of warmth and connectedness. Another way is to pray together, say grace before meals, pray together before bed. Let your love for each other be seen. Put your family first, be a sign and a witness.

Community Sports...

St Catharine Track & Field:

Track & Field Signups ARE NOW OPEN!

Signups end Friday, February 6, 2022 @ 11:59pm. DO NOT MISS OUT!

Registrations are only taken online. Emergency & Waiver forms along with payments are due on February, 5 th 2023.

St Catharine Track & Field Running Cougars

We are excited to offer track and field for students in grades K-8 who love to run, jump and have fun again this year. The goal of this program is to keep our kids healthy and active in the younger grades while fostering healthy competition in the higher grades. Track is also a great cross-training activity for off-season athletes!

Practice days are Mondays and Wednesdays. Practice begins mid-March, with Meets starting late March and running through mid-May.

Online Sign-up and Fee payment at <http://stc-athletics.org/athletics/track>

Fees are \$65 for our neighboring schools for the 2023 season. (Which includes a team t-shirt). Fees MUST be paid online.

News From the Office...

VALENTINE'S DAY SPLIT THE POT

St. Lawrence School will be holding a "Valentine's Day" SPLIT THE POT from Jan. 13th - Feb. 13th

Please send the tickets to school with cash or check. Please make checks payable to St. Lawrence School. If you need additional tickets, there will be copies in the office. If you have any questions, please contact Tabby Dudley and Michelle Sperber at

513-921-4996 or Dennise Macedo at 513-391-0860. Tickets are \$5 each! Winner will be drawn on Tuesday, Feb. 14th! **EXACT**

CHANGE ONLY - WE WILL NOT MAKE CHANGE

Yearbook - We have 2021-22 Yearbooks for sale!!! They are in the school office to purchase for \$20. We still have several 2020-21 school year yearbooks available for sale- \$5. If you would like to purchase one, they are in the office.

Dresscode - ABSOLUTELY NO HOODIES ARE ALLOWED TO BE WORN DURING CLASS TIME!!! AND NO BLANKETS ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO SCHOOL!!

Sweaters/sweatshirts that are allowed to be worn during class time are the crew neck (no hoodie) in gray, red, yellow or black.

New Tardy Policy - This is a reminder that the new Policy for Tardies goes into effect **Jan 3, 2023** . Students are considered tardy if they are not in their homeroom by 8:00am. If a student arrives at school after 8:00am, they are to report to the office.

For the purpose of reporting attendance to the State of Ohio for EdChoice, every 3 unexcused tardies will count as an unexcused absence for ALL students.

a. Students are marked "tardy - excused" if they have a written note from a parent/legal guardian explaining the reason for the tardiness WITH a valid excuse such as a doctor or dentist note. If your child rides the bus and the bus causes them to be tardy, the tardy will also be excused with no need for a note.

b. Students are marked "tardy - unexcused" when there is no valid excuse for being late. Oversleeping, running late, car trouble, or parent/guardian appointments are NOT valid excuses.



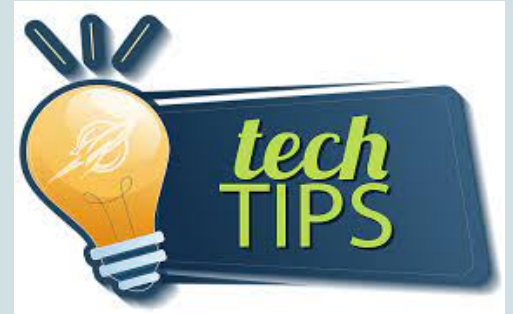
Church News...

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - Is the Catholic Faith calling you? We invite you to journey with us. Classes begin September 8, 2022. Contact Fr. Scott Morgan to learn more call 513-921-9200, or email at smorgan@stteresa-avila.org

The National Eucharistic Revival has begun! Archbishop Schnurr is inviting all Catholics through their parishes and all Catholic school students grades 6-12 to grow in our understanding and devotion to the Eucharist.

The Archbishop has also provided for a great and easy way to help our students and faculty to grow in meeting Christ in the Eucharist. In the link below, you will find information to a video series called The Mass from Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire Ministries. We encourage all teachers and staff to be sent this information, but especially the 6-12 religion teachers so they are able to sign up to receive a weekly email with the video and introduction by Archbishop Schnurr. We encourage all religion teachers set aside one day a week from January 8th-February 12th to watch the video with their students and have a discussion on the Eucharist. (approximately 25 mins per video)

I also encourage you to send this information out to your parents as well so your entire Catholic school community can learn and be invigorated in Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist!



Feb 1 - Re-registration starts
Feb 20 - Presidents Day NO SCHOOL

ALL PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS MUST TURN IN SHOT RECORDS AND A PHYSICIAN ASSESSMENT FORM. IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO PLEASE TURN IN TO SCHOOL OFFICE ASAP.

If you have any questions regarding Cov-id protocol, you can email our school nurse, Kristi Wilms at wilms@stlawrenceparish.org

Technology Tidbits...

School Website - www.stlawrenceparish.org

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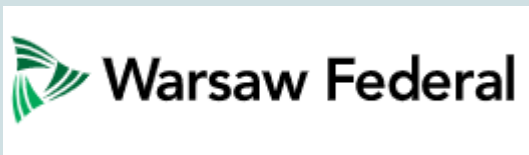
Yearbook email - yearbook@stlawrenceparish.org

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