

January 6, 2022

## Principal's Corner

Welcome to 2022! Wow, we are almost half-way through our school year! This is the time of year when things start moving faster and we see tremendous growth in our students.

During the month of January, our K-3 students will have their mid-year AIMSweb (Believe and Read) assessment, all K-8 students will have their Winter NWEA Testing (Jan. 18-28), and we get to celebrate Catholic Schools at the end of this month!

Please pay close attention to our school newsletters, for in the coming weeks there will be a lot of information about this school year as well as preparing for the 2022-2023 school year.

Blessings,  
Dawn Biren

## Peace of Mind and Nurtured Heart

Parent Session in January:

### **Parenting Exceptional Children**

January 19 at 7pm

Parenting children with educational and behavioral differences can be rewarding AND challenging. Even children who are gifted and talented present special challenges. In this session, we will discuss parenting children who have diverse needs because of educational, behavioral, and mental health challenges, as well as those who may need more enrichment.

### [Registration Required](#)

If you missed the December webinar, you can access the recording below:

[Parenting in Two Moments](#): Discipline Strategies That Protect Your Connection



## Saints' Night Out

Save the Date! Saturday, March 26th is Saints' Night Out! Join us for an evening of fun as we celebrate our school, dinner, drinks, live/silent auctions, games, and a live band! This year we will also have an SNO After-Party that will host music by Russell Franek as well as a Euchre Tournament.

Our SNO Committee is currently looking for help with the following items:

- Content writer to help with the website and item/project descriptions
- IT/Tech-y person who can help manage check in and check out the night of the event
- Techy person who can help manage the website
- Someone to manage the euchre tournament at the SNO After-Party

If you are interested in any of these items to help complete your required volunteer hours, please contact Jennifer Kluzak at [stdomauction@gmail.com](mailto:stdomauction@gmail.com).

As a reminder, per the fundraising requirement section in the tuition agreement, all families are required to sell 4-SNO tickets. Tickets will be available for purchase online, next week. If you need help selling tickets, please contact the school office and we will place your name on our list for people who call the school to purchase tickets. As a reminder, if you fail to sell the 4 tickets, the total amount (\$200) will be billed to your TADS account.

Classroom Projects are starting. Be on the lookout for information sent your child's classroom teacher shortly. Projects are parent-led and volunteers may come into the classroom to help complete the project.



## Tracking Volunteer Hours

Per our family [Volunteering, Fundraising, and Fees agreement](#), all families need to complete between 10-15 hours each school year. For volunteer hours you have already completed, please remember to log them on the [Google Form](#) located on the school website.

# VOLUNTEER



## Registration Fees Billed on January 31

As a reminder, the registration fee for the 2022-2023 school year will be billed to your account on January 31, 2022. We use continuous enrollment at SDS, which means that your child is automatically promoted to the next grade level and registered for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are considering other educational options for your child next year, please contact [Kati Sletten](#) before January 31. After this date, the registration fee is nonrefundable.

## Mass with Archbishop Hebda

We are excited to announce that Archbishop Hebda will celebrate our school mass with us on Wednesday, February 16, 2022. Parents and parishioners are welcome to attend school mass that week at 8:20am. More information will be shared as we get closer to the date.

## Dates to Remember

January 17 - No School MLK Day (*teacher workshop*)  
January 18-28: K-8 Winter NWEA Testing  
January 28 - No AM or PM Bussing  
Jan. 30 - Feb. 5 - Catholic Schools Week  
February 21 - No School, Presidents' Day  
February 22 & 24 - Parent/Teacher Conferences  
March 7-10 - No School, Spring Break  
March 26 - Saints' Night Out Event

## Catholic Schools Week 2022

A detailed schedule for the week of January 31-February 4 will be sent home in a few weeks.

One of the universal themes of Catholicism is service. As Catholic Schools Week approaches, we want to embody that characteristic. Throughout the week, students and staff will participate in acts of service. We are requesting donations for the following two projects.

### **Fleece Tie-Blankets:**

The tie blankets will be donated to the Ronald McDonald House organization. In order to fulfill this act we need monetary donations to buy the fleece. The goal is for St. Dominic School to complete 20 tie blankets! Please turn in monetary donations to the school office by **Friday, January 14**. Below is an example of what the tie blankets will look like.



### **Hygiene Bags:**

Students will participate in creating hygiene kits for people in need. Each grade will bring in an object for the kit. Our goal is for every student (111 students) to be able to put together one kit each. We are asking each class to donate items for the kits:

**Preschool** - Toothpaste

**Pre-K** - Toothbrushes (Individually Wrapped)

**Kindergarten** - Soap Bars

1st Grade - Soap Bars

2nd Grade - Shampoo

3rd Grade - Shampoo

4th Grade - Toothpaste

5th/6th Grades - Toothbrushes (Individually Wrapped)

7th/8th Grades - Razors