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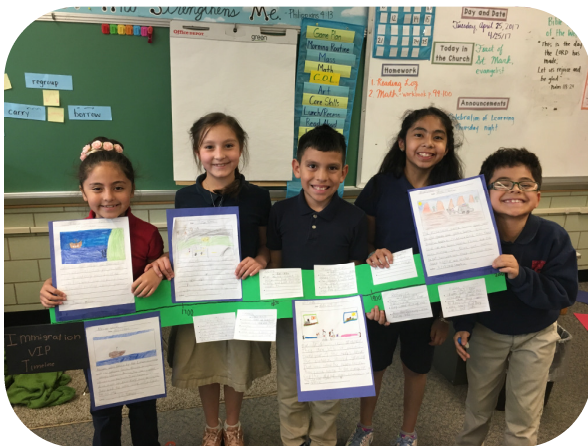
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Academy

A Catholic Expeditionary Learning School

Forming Excellent Catholic Scholars and Faithful Disciples of Jesus

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Key Dates and Announcements:

Catholic Schools week

Sunday Jan. 28th- 11:30 Mass with Bishop Rodriguez

Come join us for Mass with Bishop Rodriguez!

Monday, Jan 29th- Spirit Day/Basketball Game/Volunteer Appreciation

You may wear Red/White/Blue to school with jeans for our Spirit Day.

Tuesday, Jan 30th- Mass Day/Family Appreciation

We will have regular Mass uniform and Mass celebrated today.

Wednesday, Jan. 31st- Crazy Hair Day

Students may wear their hair in a "crazy" way. You may not permanently dye your hair or put any shaved lines into it.

Thursday, Feb. 1st- Backwards Day/Teacher Appreciation Day

Today you may wear your uniform items backwards!

Friday, Feb. 2nd -Pajama Day/Vocations Fair/ 1/2 Day 12:30 Dismissal

Be sure to follow Handbook Norms for out of uniform. There will be a 12:30 dismissal.

Friday, February 2nd
12:30 dismissal – Professional Development

Monday, February 5th-9th
ITBS testing week

Tuesday, February 6th
6pm - Family Learning Night

Monday, February 12th
Chipotle Fundraiser 5-9 pm

Wednesday, February 14th
Ash Wednesday

Friday, February 16th
No School – Professional Development

Monday, February 19th
No School – President's Day

Tuesday, February 27th
Chopper Topper Dental program for 2nd grade

Wednesday, February 28th
5th grade to Cathedral for Mass

Friday, March 2nd
12:30 dismissal – Professional Development

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Principally Speaking: A Message from Mr. Moo

Dear St. Rose Families

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Academy prides herself in providing a rigorous academic program. Our academic program is born out of an educational environment created to foster the authentic growth of your children. In this environment we work hard to draw out their potential to lead them to true human flourishing which will enable them to become the person God created them to be.

One of the manners in which we gauge our progress with our academic program and continue to adjust meet your children's needs, is through the Iowa Assessment. The Iowa is a national assessment used to determine our student's proficiency with skills in the core content areas. While we know that the Iowa doesn't capture all the growth a student makes in a year, especially their growth as faithful disciples of Jesus, it is still an important piece of your child's growth profile in academic development. What we most want to see is a year's worth of growth from a student. For example, if your child tested at a 2.6 in the 2nd grade, we want to see that they are at least on a 3.6 in third grade.

Our Iowa testing will take place for 2nd thru 8th grades Monday, February 5th thru Friday, February 9th. Here are a few ways we can work together to support your child in preparing for the test:

- Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep at night and having a good breakfast in the morning. Mental readiness and proper nourishment helps to improve performance on tests that demand focus and stamina.
- Help us make sure your student is present every day and on time. Testing begins right after prayer and being tardy or absent prevents them from completely the test, which in turn prevents their scores from being accurate.
- Talk to your children about the importance of giving their best effort on every part of the test. Students will always perform better on tests when they try hard on every question and don't simply try to get it done as soon as possible.
- Celebrate your child's efforts. At the end of the day ask your student to share how they feel they were successful on their ITBS tests and what they think they can do to improve the next day.
- Lastly, talk to them about ways to deal with stress or fatigue. Coping with stress and fatigue in a positive way during a test can help them to persevere when the test gets difficult. Some students benefit from taking a short 30 second break when they feel tired to stretch their arms and legs. Others benefit from stopping to pray and ask God to give them the strength to keep going.

Thank you for supporting your child in being a successful Catholic scholar. Excellence is accomplished when we all work together to see our students succeed at all their endeavors as students at St. Rose of Lima.

May the peace and love of Christ continue to be with you now and always.

Important Dates and Details!

HASA

We would like to thank all of the families in the 6th grade who organized menudo & posole cooked, donated food/drinks, setup and cleaned up for sales on January 28, 2018. They made \$. Thank all of the people who purchased food during the sales.

The next HASA meeting will be February 13, 2017 where the sales of food items will be discussed for the 5th grade families to sell on February 28, 2018.

See all of you 5th grade parents there.

Breakfast

Right now, we stop serving breakfast at 7:50. Our students are not following norms and missing morning prayer when they start eating at 7:50. We will stop serving breakfast at 7:45 am starting on February 5th.

We hope that by stopping food service at 7:45, students will be able to eat without rushing and get to the gym for our community meeting promptly.

Thank you for your understanding.

Ash Wednesday/Valentine's Day

This year, Ash Wednesday is on Valentine's Day, February 14th. We will not have any parties of any kind, and no valentines will be distributed. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and penance. We shall have Mass celebrated at regular 8:30 time. We will not go to mass on Tuesday, Feb. 13th.

ITBS Testing

We will take our tests starting on Monday, February 5th through Friday February 9th. Please be sure to come to school on time, prepared to test and eat a good breakfast. We also have breakfast from 7:30-7:45 every morning for free! Be sure to utilize this important and delicious service!

Candy Sales

If you would like to pay the \$120 instead of selling 240 bars the form needs to be returned to the office by February 9, 2018. Please make sure to send a check, money order or bring in cash so we will not order candy for your family. Esther will also look at ALL of the Tuition Contracts to see who has indicated they do not want to see the candy and these families will not have candy ordered for them.

Important Dates and Details!

Statement of Intent to Return

Please return your intent forms for the school to hold your spot for the 2018-2019 academic year. The deadline for intent forms is **February 9th, 2018**. On the form, please submit your entering Pre-K and any other children that you would like to enroll. Please enter their birthdates and grades to enter in the 2017-2018 academic year. This will help us figure out the number of students in each class for next year. If you have any questions or concerns please let us know. Beginning the week of February 12th, we will be opening spots to the families on our waitlist.

5th grade Liturgy

All of the 5th grade students in the Archdiocese of Denver will attend a mass at the Cathedral with the Archbishop. Our St. Rose students will attend Mass on Wednesday, February 28-2018. Miss Gillooly will need drivers and chaperones to help take the 5th graders downtown. Volunteers must have completed the Safe Environment training with the Archdiocese and have a current driver's license and auto insurance on file in the school office before transporting students.

Student of the Month for December

Koalas – Emelyn Kelly is an outstanding Catholic Scholar. She consistently uses craftsmanship in her daily work. Emelyn also enjoys perseverance. She challenges herself and makes new goals without being asked. Emelyn is a kind friend as well. She shows solidarity by helping friends when they are hurt or sad. Keep up the amazing work, Eme! You are one cool Koala!

Pandas – Darianna Jaquez Rivera is a great example of a Catholic scholar! She is very accountable for her actions and always tries very hard to learn! Darianna always uses beautiful craftsmanship and listens attentively to answer questions! Darianna produces High Quality work and loves to make God happy! We are lucky and happy to have Darianna in the Panda Class! Great job, Darianna! Keep up the great work!

Kindergarten – Irene Perez-Ortiz is always is good listener in our crew. Irene shows perseverance especially in learning her sounds and letters. Irene uses craftsmanship when she works on her writing. Irene is a great friend to her classmates and Jesus. Way to go, Irene!

First grade – Jacob Fuentes is a great friend to all in our first grade crew. He works hard to achieve his goals and has grown in his reading and math goals as a result. Jacob shows accountability and perseveres through challenges. Keep up the outstanding work, Jacob!

Second grade – Levi Sotelo has shown great perseverance learning the norms of a new school. Levi has been working on showing solidarity in class by staying focused on his work and not distracting others. This has helped him to keep track of his goals and work toward more goals. Great work, Levi!

Third grade – Alonso Casas-Garcia has worked hard to grow as a scholar and disciple this year and especially this month. He has persevered to meet his Rocket Math goals in both addition and subtraction, and is very close to meeting his reading comprehension goal. He is consistently accountable for his work and his actions, and is challenging himself to be a risk taker by sharing more often in class and when collaborating with others. Alonso is thoughtful and considerate of others, and we are thankful he is in our crew. Keep up the great work, Alonso!

Fourth grade – NeVaeh Roybal has been constantly improving in her habits, especially perseverance. She works hard to solve problems by using our peace table or asking an adult for help. She also works hard to set goals and check in on them so she can reach them. We are really proud of the work she is doing in class and we have no doubt she will continue to grow in her habits! Keep it up NeVaeh, we are so lucky to have you in our crew.

Fifth grade – Jannel Merlos is extremely positive and supportive to all members of our crew, whether it be cheering them up when they are feeling down or helping a peer who needs academic or behavioral assistance during class. She gives constructive and helpful feedback to help others improve, and always adds thoughtful and meaningful insight to class discussions. Though she still has room for improvement in her accountability, she has made a lot of growth from the beginning of the year to now, and continues to set goals for herself to help her continue to achieve. Keep up the great work, Jannel!

Sixth grade – Rubi Sierra has quietly become an organizer and leader among the 6th graders. She consistently sets a great example to her, peers, in following norms. She pushes herself in craftsmanship. She embraces solidarity by stepping in when needed and not letting herself get distracted by those around her. Keep up the good work, Rubi!

Seventh grade – Jayden Albanez expresses curiosity and interest in new challenges. He is eager to demonstrate his passion for knowledge and demonstrates kindness towards others.

Eighth grade – At SLC's in October, **Sol Martin** set several goals to improve her accountability. With some changes in her daily routine, Sol has been able to attain these goals, particularly by cutting down on her tardies. Sol's perseverance is a great example of how to avoid past mistakes, set goals, and consistently improve. Great work, your hard work is paying off!

Congratulations to all of you!

Sports Update

February 10th is the deadline for Baseball and Volleyball sign up!!!

Athletic News

All parents of student athletes in grades 5th-8th are required to attend the Play Like a Champion training offered by the Catholic Schools Athletic League. Volleyball is coming soon Parents who have taken the coaches training before, but not the parent training must take the parent training for their child to be able to play. If you have questions or concerns, please contact our Athletic Director, Mr. Martinez. The Archdiocese of Denver has a listing of all parents who have taken the training. If you have not, your child will not participate in our spring sports season.

Our Mission:



Responding to Christ's call to go and make disciples of all nations (Mt. 28,18), our mission is to educate and inspire young men and women to love God, seek Truth, pursue excellence, and give witness to the world as excellent Catholic scholars and faithful disciples of Jesus.

Non-discrimination Statement

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Academy admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. We admit handicapped students unless the school cannot provide sufficient care, or make reasonable accommodations of the handicapped child in accord with Archdiocesan policy #2000 concerning student admission. We do not discriminate based on race, age, handicap, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of policies, admissions practices, scholarship and loan programs or athletic or other school administered programs.