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Key Dates and Announcements:

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

Friday, March 2nd
End of 2nd trimester
12:30 dismissal - Professional Development

Sunday, March 4th
10:15 - Sacramental Prep for 1st Communion and Confirmation

Tuesday, March 6th
Report Cards go Home

Friday, March 9th
No School - Archdiocese PD

Tuesday, March 20th
6:00 am - Family Learning night

Thursday, March 29th
12:30 Dismissal - Holy Thursday

Friday, March 30th
No School - Good Friday

April 1st - 8th
NO School - Spring Break

April 13th - 15th
Archdiocesan Art Fair @ All Souls

Our Goals:

*College and more importantly:
Heaven*



A Message From: Proud Principal Mr. Moo

Dear St. Rose Families,

May the peace and love of Christ be with you!

Lent has begun! We enter together into one of the most important times in our Church year. It is a time in which we are called to return to Jesus. We are invited to reflect on the ways in which we can become better followers of Jesus in our daily lives.

During Lent the Church invites us to practice fasting, praying, and almsgiving, three important disciplines that can enable us to experience a conversion in our lives that will make us grow in greater love for God and one another. We are reminded during Lent that we must "repent and return to the Gospel." Fasting, praying, and almsgiving give us a way to demonstrate our repentance and live the Gospel. Furthermore, it allows us to grow in discipline and virtue, which in turn enables us to develop an intimate relationship with God.

The following are some reflections written by Wendy C. of Catholic Online that help us to understand the importance of fasting, praying, and almsgiving during Lent.

Almsgiving

Giving alms, Jesus teaches, means making the needs of others our own, especially the needy of our world. They are all around us: children and the old, the sick and the suffering, families and individuals, next-door neighbors and people in lands faraway.

Whatever we give should be something of ourselves, something that costs us. We will receive blessings from God in return.

What shall we give to the needy this lent? In deciding, decide generously. After all, before us is the great alms Jesus gave: "He loved us, and gave himself up for us."

Praying

Pope Francis said in his Ash Wednesday homily, 'Lent is also a privileged time for prayer', He quoted St. Augustine, who described fasting and almsgiving as "the two wings of prayer," because they are signs of humility and charity.

Prayer offers us all a very special opportunity to grow in our relationship with God and to deepen our commitment to a way of life, rooted in our baptism. In our busy world, Prayer provides us with an opportunity to reflect upon our patterns and sins. We should pray more deeply, experience sorrow for what we've done and failed to do, and to be generous to those in need.

Fasting

Fasting is tied closely to almsgiving

Pope Francis says "Fasting makes sense if it really chips away at our security and, as a consequence, benefits someone else, if it helps us cultivate the style of the Good Samaritan, who bent down to his brother in need and took care of him."

During Lent do you think God needs the chocolate, candy, and other trivial things we give up? No He needs us to look deep within ourselves and reflect. He wants our hearts.

So when you fast, do not proclaim it, do not look hard done by, smile and go about your day happy. We are told this in the Bible.

In fact he wants us to stop our obsession with the ME and start thinking about what truly matters in life- following God's will.

What will you do open yourself more to God this Lent?

Mandatory Parent Meeting

For all families that will be applying for financial aid for the 2018-2019 academic year.

March 6, 2018

6pm English

7pm Spanish

Please come and join us for this very important parent meeting. The Archdiocese of Denver is implementing a new Variable Tuition Program that will change how we determine financial aid and complete registration for families. All families wishing to apply for financial aid, no matter how much, must be at this meeting.

At this meeting, you will receive your registration packet and more details on how to finalize registration for the 2018-19 school year.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you on March 6th!

Important Dates and Details!

Student of the Month for January

Koalas – Liam Magaraci has grown so much this year! He is a constant model of craftsmanship. He always takes his time to ensure his work is beautiful. Liam also has a beautiful heart. He ensures everyone is included in crew, centers and play. Liam also enjoys daily prayer and shows solidarity by always praying for others especially his soon –to-be born baby sister. Liam, keep up the amazing work! You are one cool Koala!

Pandas – Michelle Arballo is the queen of craftsmanship! Michelle will try again and again until her work looks it's very best! Michelle works hard to achieve all her goals and is quickly achieving them. She is kind to all her friends. She always encourages them on task and compliments them on work well done. Thanks for being a Habits Rock Star, Michelle!

Kindergarten – Teddy Dennis is a very good listener during crew time. He perseveres with his steps and is reaching many goals. He taps out words and helps friends do the same. Teddy is kind to his classmates and a great friend to Jesus. Way to go, Teddy!

First grade – Aydriauna Pineda is a kind, hardworking member of the first grade crew. She practices craftsmanship in her commitment to revision and always completing high quality work. Aydriauna has persevered to pass her reading goal in the library. Keep up the outstanding work, Aydriauna.

Second grade – Kimberley Ramirez-Sanchez has shown such growth from the beginning of the year. Kimberley always shows solidarity and accountability. She is continually working towards her goals and setting new ones. Keep up the great work, Kimberley!

Third grade – Brianna Omedas is an example to others of kindness and solidarity, and we can always count on her smile and positive attitude. She consistently uses perseverance to meet targets and goals and has shown incredible growth as a scholar and disciple. While she is still working to her improve her accountability, she has made a concrete plan and is following it to make progress. Keep up the great work, Brianna!

Fourth grade – Edwin Arroyo has continued to show perseverance throughout the year in his reading and math. He stays accountable when he needs to get things done and is not afraid to ask questions. He collaborates with his teammates and crewmates both in and out of the class. While he is still growing in his habits, we are very proud of the disciple Edwin is becoming. Keep working hard!

Fifth grade – Jaziel Lagarda shows that taking feedback graciously can be the best thing any of us can do. When the fifth grade crew returned from Christmas break, we had a serious discussion about fresh starts and how we could make the most of 2018 to be better people of integrity. Jaziel took that and made the most of it. He has gone out of his way to take any feedback given to him by his teacher and his peers and improve himself as a person. Jaziel strives to be on

task during class, to select safe spots for himself when he is learning, and be accountable for his actions and behavior. He also is an incredible example of showing solidarity to others who need him. Though he still has room for improvement, he has really shown an amazing amount of growth during the month of January and we could not be more proud of him. Keep up the great work Jaziel! You are doing awesome!

Sixth grade – Diana Velez was chosen because of her consistent and ongoing dedication to the St. Rose Habits. Every assignment shows high craftsmanship; she shows solidarity in following norms; also, she has identified the habits she needs to work on and committed in her conference to always improving. Keep up the GOOD work, Diana!

Seventh grade – Mariah Quintana strives to maintain enthusiasm and joy throughout her day. She is a consistent disciple of Christ. In Math, she is at the top of her game preserving through challenging problem's even when the teacher isn't looking. In Science, Mariah keeps detailed observations and questions in her Interactive Science Notebook and is always looking for a deeper understanding of the secrets of the universe. Thank you Mariah for leading the way!

Eighth grade – Mia Baldarrama is an outstanding model of scholarship and discipleship. Mia arrives at school every day prepared mentally ready for the day, and equipped with a smile. She communicates effectively with peers and teachers and is always willing to assist in any way possible. Good job, Mia!

Congratulations to ALL of you!

Candy Sales

The boxes of candy will be distributed next week from the gym. Those who chose to sell candy will receive 4 boxes (each 60 bars) of candy bars to sell for \$1.00 each for a total of \$240. The money will be due April 12, 2018 after Spring Break. This will give families 6 weeks to sell all of the candy. The families that chose to buy out of the candy sales this year and pay \$120 will also be due April 12, 2018.

Lent

Join us in the church every Friday @ 6 pm during Lent for Meat Free Soup Supper, good conversation, Stations of the Cross, Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be a different parish, school, family group each month that will sponsor the meal. March 9th is a fish fry sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Important Dates and Details!

Seeds of Hope

Remember to go online and complete the application process for your financial funding for 2018-2019 school year. If you have any problems or need assistance with the process, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. ALL and ANY Seeds of Hope funds will ONLY be distributed if you qualify through the on line system and the competition of ALL fields and documents.

After you have completed the process and we have received confirmation of application and funds awarded we can make the appointment to register for 2018-2019 school year. Families will receive a call or you may call to see where your application is in the process to make a registration appointment.

ACE Scholarships

Ace has informed us that they have sent out the re-application paperwork by US mail to those student's families who are already granted an ACE scholarship. These forms along with your 1040 income tax forms must come into the office for Mr. Moo to sign and upload the taxes to input in the ACE database for 2018-2019 school year. Esther will be contacting each of the families who have not brought in their forms to see if we need to contact ACE for a new on line application. These forms are very important to be considered for another year of scholarship.

Spring Picture Day

We will have our spring photos on Thursday, March 8, 2018. The Lifetouch company will be taking pictures class together this day.

This year we are asking all students to wear their best uniform to take their pictures as a class. After the group photo, the students will also take individual photos in their uniform.

The 8th grader students will take their annual continuation photo for the hall picture frame. Our 8th graders are allowed to dress in dress shirts and slacks and girls in a dress or dress clothes for this photo. More information will be sent with the 8th grade students.

HASA

We would like to thank all of the families in the 5th grade who organized burritos & pancakes, donated food/drinks, setup and cleaned up for sales on February 25, 2018. They made \$517. Thank all of the people who purchased food during the sales.

The next HASA meeting will be March 13, 2018 where the sales of food items will be discussed for the 4th grade families to sell on March 25, 2018. See all of you 4th grade parents there.

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.

