



Saint Stephen Protomartyr School

Friday Notes August 28, 2020



CONGRATULATIONS to all on a great first week of school. Dropoff went smoother and more seamless than drawn up. Students for the most part have been vigilant about proper mask wearing (help us emphasize at home over the nose and mouth). The distance learners (and their parents) have been giving us great feedback about the quality of sound/video, etc... We've had some incidents of user error (from both home & school) and many of these have been easy fixes; some are a work in progress. From Day 1 (Tuesday) to Day 4 (Friday) we have improved on the distance format. We'll keep working on this. The addition of 1080 HD Webcams with built in microphones should improve our product even more. We have even identified two staff members, Mrs. Marinaro & Ms. Walters who can be extra points of contact throughout the week for distance learners. Thanks for your patience and collaboration throughout the process. I'm excited for what Day 5 will bring us on Monday!



I lead PA Announcements at the beginning of each day. We begin with the Saint of the Day, daily prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance, celebrate birthdays, and are educated in the Fun Facts for the Day. Today's focus was **National Thoughtful Day**. I challenged our community to attempt a simple act or word of kindness today. The following students went above and beyond: **Harper Bauer, Alexander Ceno, Geneva Clerc, Claire Guntli & Lily Minor**. A rock star for our staff this past two weeks has been **Mrs. Lueke**. I will share in coming weeks more details in the program that I will refer to as the **SSP STARS**. All students, staff, parents and stakeholders are eligible. I'm always on the lookout for people making a positive difference and doing the right thing, *just because!*

WEEK IN PREVIEW 8/31—9/4, 2020

MONDAY

Lunch: Chicken Snack Wrap **Alternative:** Chicken Bacon Wrap or **Salad:** Chef

TUESDAY

Lunch: BOSCO Stick **Alternative:** BLT Wrap or **Salad:** Caesar

WEDNESDAY

PTO *Virtual* Back to School Night 6:30 PM

Lunch: Chicken Rings **Alternative:** Italian Sub or **Salad:** BLT

THURSDAY

Lunch: Cheeseburger **Alternative:** Chicken Caesar Wrap or **Salad:** Taco

FRIDAY

Lunch: Papa John's Pizza **Alternative:** Taco Wrap or **Salad:** Garden

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT (Candidates needed to brag about). In this column I love to share the Good News of how our alumni are doing; in high school, college, through community service, etc... Feel free to share timely bragging points with Mr. Sturgill.

AM DROP OFF TWEAKS

because of our early success, we'd like to tweak our drop off time (5 minute later start and a 5 minute earlier conclusion)

7:25—7:55. We have been finished for the most part by 7:50 AM... if this is too aggressive we will walk back this time frame. If we have continued success, we will attempt an all school electronic morning screening at mid-week (Wednesday). The Pre-K pilot has worked well, but we will take baby steps until we feel competent to take this school-wide. The morning screening can be found on page two of this publication.

COMING EVENTS

- September 7... No School (Labor Day)
- September 16... Picture Day (Out of Uniform day)
- September 27... Grade 3 First Communion 2 PM
- September ??... Grade 8 Parent Meeting (TBA)

SSP DAILY HEALTH SCREENING

Child's Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: _____

Is your child experiencing any new or worsening of the following symptoms that are not consistent with a previous medical condition? Please check all that apply.

_____ Fever (100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or greater)

_____ Sore throat

_____ New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing (for students with chronic allergic/asthmatic cough, a change in their cough from the baseline).

_____ Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain

_____ Loss of sense of taste or smell

_____ New onset of severe headache, chills or body/muscle aches especially with fever

_____ Pink eye, red eyes, or conjunctivitis

Y or N Have you given your child fever-reducing medication in the past 24 hours?

Y or N Is someone in your household currently being tested for COVID-19 and are waiting to receive results?

Y or N In the past 14 days, has the student or someone in the household had close contact (within 6 feet of an infected person for at least 15 minutes) with a person with confirmed COVID-19?

Y or N In the past 14 days, has the student or someone in the household been in close proximity to anyone who has traveled outside of the country or to an area of the country with a high rate of COVID-19?

Temperature: _____ (entered by School Staff)

If you checked any new or worsening symptoms, Answered YES to any of the **Y or N** Questions or your child has a temperature of 100.4% or higher, please contact the School Office. Your child(ren) will be learning from home today.