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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

February 3, 2020

Dear Parents,

Celebration of Catholic Schools Week We had a busy and fun-filled Catholic Schools Week celebration. I would like to thank Father Mike, our pastor, our teachers, parents, and PTO for making it a wonderful experience for everyone. **Congratulations (!!!)** to the following winners of our CSW Bees . . .

Spelling Bee (Grades 1-3):

1st Place: Varsha Karthi (Gr. 3)
2nd Place: Aryan Bansal (Gr. 1)
3rd Place: Lila Brown (Gr. 3)

Spelling Bee (Grades 4-8):

1st Place: Sophia Bautista (Gr. 5) (* She will be our 2020
North Jersey Spelling Bee Contestant.)
2nd Place: James Zuniga (Gr. 5)
3rd Place: Joseph Zuniga (Gr. 5)

Mathematics Bee (Grades 4-8)

1st Place: Joseph Zuniga (Gr. 5)
2nd Place: James Zuniga (Gr. 5)
3rd Place: Anthony Mezzina (Gr. 7)

Pathway to Leadership Conference. I would like to congratulate **Bridget Cronrath, a 7th Grade student**, for being chosen by the Rutherford Elks to attend the Pathway to Leadership Conference on Thursday, February 6, 2020 at Ocean Place Resort and Spa in Long Branch, New Jersey. This is a state-wide conference coordinated by the New Jersey State Elks. Bridget will be representing our school.

Someone Special Dance. Our Someone Special Dance is this Saturday, February 8th, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. It is a night of fun, games, and dancing. Please come and join us. I would like to thank Mrs. Figueroa and Mrs. Nichols for organizing this event.

Re-registration packets for 2020-2021 were distributed this week. Please review your packet and send in your registration forms and fees. **Registration is on a first-come first-served basis.** We will continue to use FACTS Management to collect tuition payments through automatic debit.

The Scholarship for Inner City Children (SFIC) applications for the 2020-2021 school year is available on the www.sficnj.org website. All applications will be done on-line.

STREAMS Fair 2020-2021. Our STREAMS Fair will be from February 18th to February 19th at the Parish Center. Parents and the students may view the projects on Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The students in Grade 5 are included in the Fair. They created projects focused on the Mathematics component of a Science project.

Field Trip to the Liberty Science Center. Students in Pre-K to 7th Grade will have a field trip to

the Liberty Science Center on Monday, **April 6th, 2020**. There is still time to send in your children's permission slips and payment. Deadline has been extended to **Wednesday, February 12th, 2020**.

Ash Wednesday will be on February 26th. Ashes will be distributed to the school children during the 12:00 p.m. Mass in Church. You are all invited to join us at Mass.

May God bless you and love you.

Sincerely,
Miss Ana Maria Castaneda
Principal