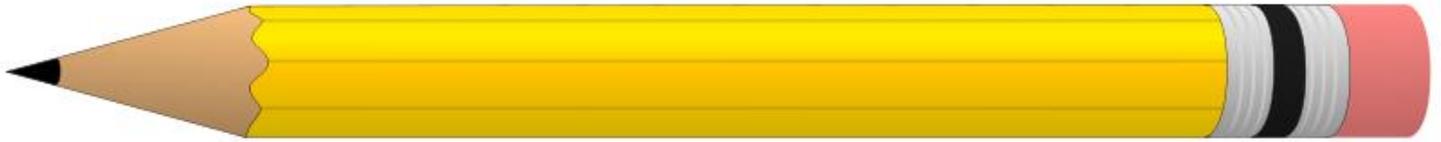


STNS March Newsletter



Dear STNS Family's

During this Lenten season in preparation for our Savior's resurrection, we take time to reflect on how we can make a connection to our Lord and live in his image. Many people have think of Lent and what they need to "give up". Lent is a time of sacrifice and reflection. For our young children making this connection to our Lord is about giving. Developing the moral code of our young children is critical in the world we live in today. Starting at this young age they develop compassion for others that will last a lifetime and beyond. As educators, parents, and families what we expose our little friends to is etched in their minds forever. Together we can model and teach them how to be kind, give to others, and always show compassion to all people. We are not privy to the journey of every person we encounter. Jesus endured a journey that ended in his death for us and three days later his resurrection. If we can instill kindness and giving in our little friends each and every day, our world will be a much more peaceful place.

Just a few ways listed below to foster that giving during Lent and beyond!

*As a family brainstorm ways that you can be kind and place them on the fridge or a door that you leave from.

*Read stories about kindness as a family.

*Start a penny or stone jar that your family fills with each kind deed. When your jar is filled, do something together as a family!

In God's Peace,

Miss Michele

STNS Pasta Dinner /Silent Auction:

Save the Date: Friday, April 28th 6:00 p.m.!

Our annual Pasta Dinner/Silent Auction is scheduled for Friday, April 28th at 6:00 p.m. here in our church hall. We are hopeful that many of our families and their extended families can join us for an evening of pasta, raffles, silent auction, entertainment, and kid activities. The final preparations are daunting but our fundraising committee and families have been steadfast in their efforts! We are excited to bring our school community together to share in a meal and fun! Ticket order forms will be sent home next week. At our last committee meeting we generated a list of help that parents can volunteer to do at home, in school, or the evening of the event. An email with our meeting notes will be sent home highlighted with where we need help!

This email will also include a request for donations for our auction and raffle. Each year our families and local businesses donate items.

In addition to our auction items, each child will be composing a piece of art work that will be available at the dinner for donation. This year we will be donating these proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House. Our auction items include everything from jewelry, theme baskets, gift certificates for services and restaurants and kid activities! We are also raffling off one month of tuition for May 2018! Children will also have an opportunity for kid themed raffle baskets and bikes! One of our most popular auction items is the classroom designed furniture! Each child's fingerprint is somewhere on the furniture!



For your
Calendar

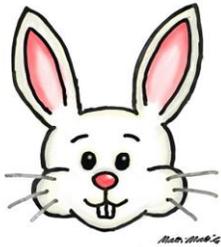
March 30
Good Friday No School

March 31
Easter Egg Hunt

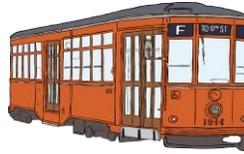
April 16-20
Spring Break No School

April 28
Pasta Dinner

Easter Bunny Trolley



When: Saturday, March 24th at 11:30 a.m.
Where: Shoreline Trolley Museum East Haven
Who: STNS Families
Cost: \$4.00 a person
R.S.V.P. by March 21st!



*A flyer sent home with each child! Please return with payment by the R.S.V.P.!

St. Therese Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Save the date!!!

- When: Saturday, March 31st at 10:00 a.m.
- Where: On the back lawn weather permitting!



Hop on by!

- ❖ The Easter bunny and the Easter chick will kick off our hunt and will also be available for pictures! Please remember to bring an Easter basket to fill up with delicious eggs from Thompson Candy Company! Families are welcome to invite close family and friends to attend!

A Big Thank you!



A big thank you to Shae's mom, a dental hygienist for visiting our three year old classes for dental hygiene month! And to Fiona's mom, a dental hygienist who visited our four year olds! The children loved the big teeth and the goodie bags!

St. Patrick & St. Joseph's Day

We will also be celebrating St. Patrick's Day on March 17th and St. Joseph's Day on March 19th at the end of that week! St. Patrick's Day ties in nicely with our study of healthy foods and the color green! Our three year old students will be making a salad from donations from our families. The children will be helping put the salad together! Our four year olds will be having a green themed celebration. Please see the sign ups outside each classroom! We need to be a little more creative with St. Joseph's day! We have a song to the tune of Bob the Builder as Joseph the Builder. Our focus is on how Joseph was the earthly father of Jesus and how he shared his devotion with Jesus here on earth.

The Prayer of St. Patrick

*May the strength of God
pilot us,
May the wisdom of God
instruct us,
May the hand of God
protect us,
May the word of God
direct us --
May thy salvation, O Lord,
Be always ours
this day and for evermore.*

A Prayer To St. Joseph.

O blessed Joseph, faithful guardian of my Redeemer, Jesus Christ, protector of your chaste spouse, the virgin Mother of God, I choose you this day to be my special patron and advocate and I firmly resolve to honor you all the days of my life.



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