



# Saint Denis – Saint Columba School

... A Holy Ground of Loving and Learning

**TO:** PARENTS AND GUARDIANS  
**FROM:** SR. KATHLEEN MARIE, CR  
**SUBJECT:** WEEKLY HAPPENINGS  
**DATE:** FEBRUARY 13-24, 2017



*Jesus, I Trust in You  
Make our Hearts like Yours!*

## Half Day on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

This Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> is a half day for students. Dismissal will take place after prayers at 11:50 a.m. If your child is staying in the after school program, please be sure they have a lunch with them.

## Upcoming President's Weekend

Remember that there will be NO SCHOOL next Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> in honor of President's Day. Enjoy the three-day weekend. School will reopen on Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

## First Penance

On Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> our second grade students will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. We congratulate them and pray that they will continue to know and experience the mercy of our loving God.

## Re-Registration for 2017-2018 School Year

Your children received last week a packet of information regarding tuition and busing for the 2017-2018 School Year. Be sure to return the parishioner verification (if applicable) and transportation forms by this Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please call the school office.

You also should have received an email welcoming you to our new online enrollment and re-registration process. Completion of the online enrollment process secures a seat for your child(ren). You should have received a separate email for each child who will be attending SDSC. This email was sent from [support@tads.com](mailto:support@tads.com). It included a brief overview of the registration process and a link unique to your child's information for enrollment, including related payment due and grade level for 2017-2018 school year.

**Re-Registration fees are applied to each student registered and are due at the time of re-registration. A reduced Re-Registration Fee Rate is being offered to those students who are registered by February 28, 2017. You must complete this process by this date to receive the reduced re-registration rate (after this date the fee is \$100).**

Be sure to use the link in each email you receive in order to see the correct information for the 2017-2018 school year. Payments are to be made per student. Thank you for your commitment to Catholic education and for continuing to trust SDSC with the education and growth of your children!

## Weekly HOMEWORK on i-Ready Lessons

WE at SDSC are working hard to assist our students in achieving their potential in both Math and Reading. We purchased *i-Ready*, an online individualized program for each student. **We need your help as parents to help your children!**

To further deepen their learning, your children are to work on their *i-Ready instruction and lessons* at home. They just need a computer, internet access, Adobe Flash Player, and the login information below. To check if your system meets *i-Ready* system requirements, please visit [www.i-ready.com/support](http://www.i-ready.com/support) and run the system check.

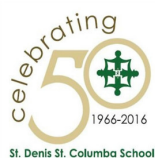
**PLEASE NOTE:** Every student is expected to work on *i-Ready* at home each week for a minimum of **30 minutes (Gr. K-3)** and **45 minutes (Gr. 4-8)** in both Math and Reading. If for some reason they do not complete this minimum requirement at home, they will be expected to stay after school each week to complete it.

## LUV Your School

This Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> is Valentine's Day and **LUV Your School Day!** Your children may purchase a N.U.T Award (no uniform today) for \$5.00. All proceeds will go to support special prizes for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gift Gala on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## Wrap our School in Love

Please help in the support of the local, non-profit organization, **Love Holds Life**. Their mission is to help children in the Hudson Valley area battling cancer and their families with financial support for medical treatments and other expenses not covered by their insurance. For only \$1 you can buy a Valentine Heart in honor of a family member, loved one, friend or just to show support for a good cause! Each heart you buy will be displayed throughout our school. Buy one or a few, and let's see how far we can spread our loving hearts!



# Anniversary Gala

**Save the Date!** *Tickets will be on sale soon!*

Saturday, April 22, 2017 at Dutchess Manor 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.  
Multi-cultural Buffet, Desserts and Open Bar  
Silent and Live Auctions, Raffles and Prizes

## Raffle and Auction Items Needed!

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee is seeking donations for the Gala. Donations of all types and categories are gratefully appreciated (e.g., gift cards, gift baskets, electronics, wine, travel opportunities and services). If you or someone you know would like to make a donation or help with our prizes, please contact Mary Ann Menuau at 914-299-3077 or [maryann@mchoulfuneralhome.com](mailto:maryann@mchoulfuneralhome.com). All donations are tax deductible. Thank you!

## Anniversary Sweatshirts Order

We will be placing an order for our Anniversary Sweatshirts this week. Please complete the form on the school website under the Alumni tab, [stcolumba.net](http://stcolumba.net) and return it to the school by Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> to get your sweatshirt with this order.

## Mid-Hudson Valley Honor Band Concert

We are very proud of Tyler Beresford, Sedem Apedo, Senam Apedo, and Seyram Apedo, Jillian Beresford, Rebecca O'Connor, Ava Oliveri, and Alexandria Oliveri, who will be participating in this year's 2017 Mid-Hudson Valley Honors Band Concert at Our Lady of Lourdes High School on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. These students represent the "best of the best" musicians from our area schools. They rehearse for over 12 hours and perform an amazing concert. We congratulate them for a job well done – and thank them for representing SDSC so proudly!

## Box Tops

Our next Box Tops submission date is February 18<sup>th</sup>! Send in those Box Tops in an envelope or baggie to the Main Office. We can earn big money for our school.....10 cents at a time!!

## TICKETS AVAILABLE for our SDSC Drama Production of "HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL"



St. Denis-St. Columba School Drama Club will proudly present "HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL" on Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are available online at <https://search.seatyourself.biz/webstore/webstore.html?d=1&domain=stcolumba> Tickets are \$10 per person. It's a show you do not want to miss and it's great for young children! The students have been working very hard to prepare for it. Get your tickets now!

## News and Views Team

Our News and Views Team will be traveling down to St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> for the taping of their "News and Views" program entitled, "*Monkey See, Monkey Do? - The Effect of Violence in the Media on our Youth.*" We thank the team for their hard work in preparing the program and for representing our school. We also thank Mrs. Waters and Mrs. Forlenza for preparing the students for this awesome challenge. We wish them the Best of Luck!

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## **To Everything there is a Season and a Time for Every Purpose under Heaven**

*Let us continue to keep in our prayers the many among us who are sick and suffering.*

### **A TIME TO HEAL**

Anne Culkin (*mother of Cathy Martin and great grandmother of Michael O'Hearn*), Ms. Molinari, Mrs. Dillon, Geri DiNoti (*parishioner*), Janice Prostack (*sister of Sr. Kathleen*), Loretta DelliCarpini, Louis Pissani, Chelsea Grace (*daughter of Spanish teacher, Mrs. Lyons*), Paulo Ampil (*Kyle Silverio's grandfather*), and the many who are sick and suffering in mind, body or spirit at this time



How far can we spread our loving hearts across  
SDSC for local children fighting cancer?

Help support the local organization,

## Love Holds Life

Buy a Heart(s) in honor of a family member, loved  
one, friend, or just to show your support!



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class/Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

# of Hearts you'd like to purchase (\$1ea) \_\_\_\_\_

Please detach and return form, along with payment to the office.