



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: JANUARY 16-20, 2017



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

January Virtue: **Perseverance: seeing things through until the end in spite of fear, obstacles, discouragement and opposition**

January Saint: **SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON**

January Reflection: *“Do not be afraid. Go on speaking, and do not be silent, for I am with you.” Acts 18:9-10
How does Certainty of God’s Presence help you to Persevere in every Circumstance, Good and Bad?*

Refer SDSC to a Friend or Neighbor

We thank you, our school families, who have chosen SDSC as the school of choice for your children. Remember the how you felt when you were looking for the right school for your children? We know that this is probably one of the most challenging decisions a parent has to make in their children’s early years. Please consider recommending SDSC to your friends and neighbors. A referral from one of our own school families is probably one of the most compelling reasons why a parent would consider SDSC as their school of choice!

Tuition Payments

As of January 15th every family should have made a minimum of seven monthly tuition/fee payments. ***If you haven’t updated your tuition payments, please do so as soon as possible.*** All financial requirements must be met before the end of January in order for your children to receive their second quarter report card in the beginning of February.

Parent Cornerstone Portal

The **Parent Component of Cornerstone** will be open and available only until this Friday morning, January 20th for you to view your child(ren)’s academic progress. Take this opportunity to keep abreast of your child’s academic and behavioral performance, including whether or not assignments have been completed.

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Volunteers Needed for Open House and to Speak at Mass for Catholic Schools Week

We are looking students in Grades 4-8 to read for masses at St. Columba the weekend of January 28th-29th. If your child(ren) is available and would like to help at the Open House from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. or would like to read/speak at one of the following masses to open Catholic Schools Week, to thank the parishioners for their support of Catholic Education and to invite them to the Open House at our school, please complete the form below.

If you belong to a different parish, and are interested in speaking at one of your parish masses, please identify the name of the church below and the mass for which you are available. *Please check the mass(es) you would be able to attend and speak at:*

St. Columba Church

_____ 5:30 p.m. Saturday night _____ 7:30 a.m. _____ 9:00 a.m. _____ 10:30 a.m. _____ 12:00 Noon

_____ Open House Helpers (Tour Guides, Classroom Help, etc.) from 9:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Student(s) Name _____

Grade _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____



SDSC Catholic Schools Week Activities 2017

Sunday, January 22nd – Friday, February 3rd **Feeding our Neighbors - Heroes for Hunger**

SDSC School will collect food for our on-site St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry to feed our neighbors in need. There will be a container in the front entrance of SDSC School collecting food items for our St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry. Some of the items needed include:

- Cereal
- Tea and coffee
- Spaghetti sauce, tomato puree, crushed tomatoes, tomato paste
- Powdered milk
- Flour, sugar and baking mixes
- Canned and dried fruit
- Tuna fish and canned meats
- Canned or boxed potatoes
- Pasta, spaghetti, macaroni, egg noodles, rice
- Canned vegetables, beans, etc.
- Pancake mix and syrup
- Ketchup and Mayonnaise
- Canned soups
- Fruit juices
- Snack pack desserts
- Personal Care Items

Sunday, January 29th

Open House 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

It's the kick-off of our Catholic Schools Week celebration at SDSC! All are invited to come see the school where acclaimed academic achievements are made! Take a student-led tour and listen as they tell why they love their school. Meet our team of dedicated and talented educators.

Scholastic Book Fair 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Reap the rewards of family reading! Stop by the book fair and find a book to read together.

Monday, January 30th

Faculty and Staff Switch Day

The faculty and staff will "switch things up" today by switching roles and classes. Where will you find them next?

Touring Tuesday, January 31st

"In House" Tours 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Take a closer look at SDSC by taking an In-House Tour. See our students engaged in learning. Parents will show why SDSC is their first and only choice for their children!

Scholastic Book Fair: Dads and Donuts

Donuts with Dads (and Grandpas too!) at our Scholastic Book Fair today - Students can find a special book to read with their favorite male role model.

Ice Cream Social Celebration 1:00 p.m. -2:30 p.m.

Students will be treated to a sweet taste of summer in the middle of winter at our ice cream social!

Wednesday, February 1st

Today is "Little Read Day." The students in Grades 3-8 will work on various activities after having read the books, "*Crossing the Wire*" and "*Any Small Goodness*."

D.E.A.R. Time Gathering

Students, Faculty, and Staff will camp out together in the school gym for a 30-minute "*Read In.*" Each person is invited to bring a blanket or pillow and curl up with their favorite book.

Faculty and Staff Luncheon

The SDSC PSA celebrates the dedication of the men and women who devote themselves to SDSC's mission.

Thursday, February 2nd

Class Theme Dress Up Day

Each class will choose a theme for their unique "NUT" ("No Uniform Today") day!

Friday, February 3rd

Catholic School Week Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

United in faith, we celebrate our Catholic School Week Liturgy. Friends and families are invited to attend.