



St. Denis – St. Columba School

A Holy Ground of Loving and Learning

Family Newsletter

Week of September 24-28, 2018



No School for Students – Tuesday, September 25th

Please note that there will be **No School for Students** this Tuesday, September 25th. The faculty will be participating in the Archdiocese of New York Spirituality Day.

IMPORTANT: Help Needed for Cafeteria and Recess Supervision

In order to provide our teachers with a lunch break and the students with recess, we are in great need of volunteers to assist with cafeteria and recess supervision. Can you spare an hour of time to help? We can use volunteer weekly, bi-weekly and even just once a month. Please call Mrs. Marrero at 845-227-777. Thank you!

Student-Parent Handbooks

Our Student-Parent Handbook is posted [HERE](#) and on our website under the Parent Tab. Please take some time to read through the handbook. After reviewing its contents, please [COMPLETE THE ONLINE FORMS](#) for the school handbook agreement and textbook form. These forms can be found [HERE](#), on the school website under the Parent Tab and on the School App. Please complete them ASAP. They are not optional. Legally, we are required to keep all of these agreements on file. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

New Student Referral Program

Do you know any families who would make a great addition to our School Family? Current families can receive a \$250 credit for each new family who enrolls up to \$750. Many of the families who joined the school this year were referred to SDSC by existing families. Thank You! Program details and referral forms are available [HERE](#).

Top Tastes of the Town – Monday, September 24th



Grab a knife, fork and spoon and bring your appetite to the 8th Annual Top Tastes of the Town on Tuesday, September 27th from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.! This “All You Care to Sample” features a mouth-watering array of savory food brought to you by our area’s best eateries. Of course, you will want to pair your tastings with a carefully selected and curated selection of wines from Hopewell Junction’s own MDJ Wine & Liquor. Tickets are limited! Only \$45 per person. Order forms [HERE](#) and on the school website.

Magazine/Digital Media Drive Ends Friday, September 28th



Last year our Magazine Drive was a great success, raising over \$2,000 for the school. This year’s formal magazine drive ends on September 28th. Any family who sells 4 or more magazines will receive an Ice Cream Party, and families who sell 10 or more will receive a NUT award for each child in the family. Plus, don’t forget to complete and return the “Reach Out Booklet” to receive a prize. Remember that electronic publications are available too. Don’t let the name fool you, there are more than just magazines available! Please consider donating child-friendly magazines to our School Library! Although the official “drive” ends on Friday, you can purchase or renew publications anytime under the PSA tab on our website by clicking “Magazine renewals and Sales.” SDSC receives funds for every publication!

Doll’s Tea Party – Saturday, October 13th

“Mermaids and fish under the sea invite you and your doll to come drink some tea!” The 2018 Doll’s Tea Party will be on Saturday, October 13th from 11:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m. Little girls can bring their favorite doll and a special adult to join us for lunch, tea, dessert, entertainment and raffles. The Doll’s Tea Party sells out every year, so purchase your tickets today! Click [HERE](#) for order form.



West Point Football Group Outing – November 17, 2018

Tickets are now on sale for the SDSC PSA Army West Point Football outing! Join your SDSC friends as we watch Army take on Colgate on Saturday, November 17th at 12 noon. Tickets are \$29 each. Click [HERE](#) for order form.



SIGN-UP NOW FOR FALL STUDENT ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES!

Paul Effman Music Program

Students have the opportunity to participate in our school band program provided by Paul Effman Music Service. Your child has received a registration form and extra forms are available in the School Office. If your child is interested in participating, please return the registration form ASAP. Band lessons are held after school on Tuesdays. The first lesson will be on Tuesday, October 2nd.



Choir

Students in Grades 3-8 have the opportunity to join the SDSC Select Choir directed by Mrs. Fisher. Choir meets on Wednesdays from 3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. in the Music Room. Our Choir leads songs at school Masses, and has special performances at the Christmas and Spring Concerts. There is no cost to participate, just good work ethic and the desire to share the gift of song!



Musical Theater and Improv Auditions

This week there will be auditions for students wishing to participate in the Fall Musical Theater and Improv Programs. The auditions are not to determine whether a student will receive a part; rather they are to help our Director know what role is best for the student. Students may prepare anything they like for the audition (song, instrument, dance, etc.). Musical Theater: Monday, September 24th at 3:00 p.m. – Grades 5-8; Wednesday, September 26th at 3:00 p.m. Improv: Friday, September 28th at 3:00 p.m.

Fall Enrichment Classes

In addition to choir and band, SDSC is offering eleven different enrichment after school activities this Fall! Classes are filling up fast, so be sure to register soon. Registration forms are available [HERE](#), on the home page of the school website and in the School Office.



LOOKING AHEAD:

Tuesday Chip Sales

Tuesday Chip Day is back! Every Tuesday students are permitted to purchase a variety of salted snacks for 50 cents in the cafeteria. Tuesday Chip day is a fundraiser that supports SDSC and enables us to host a graduation party each year for our 8th Grade Graduating Class. Our first Tuesday Chip Day will be October 2nd.

SDSC Annual Walk-a-thon



Lace up those walking shoes! The SDSC Annual Walk-a-thon returns on Friday, October 12th with a twist. The Walk-a-thon will take place after lunch and will follow a route on the school campus. After a morning of learning, students will have a fun school-spirit-filled afternoon walking for their school! After the walk-a-thon students will enjoy a treat together to celebrate.

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL WHILE YOU SHOP!

Hannaford Helps Schools Program

Do you shop at the Hannaford grocery store in our area? You can help earn money for our school when you purchase from more than 1,500 participating products. When you check out you will receive 3 school dollars for every 4 participating products you purchase. Submit/deposit your school dollars in our school's collection tower in the Hannaford store at 1490 Route 9, Wappingers Falls. Hannaford Helps Schools Program runs through December 1, 2018. Visit www.hannaford.com/helpschools to learn more.



Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards Program

Our school has the opportunity to earn cash from the Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards Program. This year's Program runs from September 7, 2018 through March 16, 2019. Please take a moment to register your Stop & Shop card at www.stopandshop.com/aplus or call Customer Care at 1-877-366-2668 OPTION #1. Our school's five-digit ID code is 08994.



ShopRite For My School Program



Please register your ShopRite Price Plus Club Card at www.shopriteformyschool.com. Then purchase participating products at ShopRite and earnings will be automatically credited to our school account. All General Mills products are now included.