



# St. Denis – St. Columba School

A Holy Ground of Loving and Learning

## Family Newsletter

Stewardship



Sharing God's Blessings!

**April 25 - 29, 2022**

### **BEFORE and AFTER CARE Reservations- Weeks of April 25<sup>th</sup> and April 29<sup>th</sup>**

[Click HERE to make a reservation for the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>](#) Please SEND A SNACK with your child(ren) when attend they attend After Care. **Please try to reserve use of the programs at least one day prior to using it.** You may also make a reservation by contacting Ms. Schifini at [lschifini@stcolumba.net](mailto:lschifini@stcolumba.net) or at 845-227-7777.

### **Active Parenting Virtual Class:**

ADAPP will be offering a Virtual Active Parenting Workshop at no cost to the parents in our school community. The Active Parenting Program is a comprehensive parenting program helping parents of children ages 5-12 raise responsible, cooperative children who are able to resist negative peer pressure and thrive. It is a 6-session program that will take place over a period of 3 weeks, and the maximum number of participants is 15. Parents will be chosen on a first come, first serve basis. Please email Mrs. Akselband directly with any questions [Aakselband@adapp.org](mailto:Aakselband@adapp.org) See attached flyer.

### **NYS Math Tests: April 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>**

***Students in Grades 3-8 will be taking the NYS Math Tests this week beginning on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure that your children are in school on time on these days.*** As it is stated in our school handbook, SDSC students “take part in the Archdiocesan testing program, which includes New York State Education Department assessments. These tests measure academic growth over a period of time.” Students in the Archdiocese of New York are **not** permitted to “opt-out” of NYS standardized tests. We thank you for your support and cooperation in this educational process.

### **School-wide NUTTY Days – Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> school-wide NUTTY (“No Uniform Today-Thank You!”) Day will be this Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **School-wide Easter Egg Hunt**

Thank you to Lillian Markowitz and Mary Russo who provided the students with an Easter Egg Hunt when they returned from the Easter Break. Thank you for taking the time to stuff the Easter Eggs and hide them for our students to have some Spring Fun! May God bless you for your constant kindness and generosity to us!

### **First Communion – Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.**

On Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> our second graders will be making their First Holy Communion! We celebrate with them as they receive our Lord in the Eucharist for the first time. Congratulations to each of them! We pray that they may continue to experience God's love for them as they encounter Him in the Eucharist! Special thanks to Mrs. Senno and the parents/guardians who have prepared these “little ones” for this beautiful sacrament of initiation.



### **“Matilda the Musical” – Save the Dates: May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>**



The SDSC Drama Club production of **MATILDA THE MUSICAL** will be held next week on Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. More information regarding ticket sales will be forthcoming!

### **Meet the Scouts**

On Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:30 PM, come and meet the Scouts! Various local Cub Scout Packs and BSA Scout Troops will be at East Fishkill Recreation Park (stage pavilion) to show you what scouting is all about! Cub Scouting is fun for the whole family. In Scouting, boys and girls start with their best right now selves and grow into their very best future selves. It's fun, hands-on learning and achievement that puts kids in the middle of the action and prepares them for today-and for life. For more information, visit <https://beascout.scouting.org/>

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**A TIME TO HEAL:** Mrs. Dillon, Suzanne Gallagher, Deron Jump (*Friend of Mr. Krebs*), Debbe Sauerhoff (*Mrs. Spera's sister-in-law*) and for the many who are sick and suffering in mind, body or spirit in this year.

***Let us continue to PRAY for PEACE in the Ukraine --- PEACE in all nations --- PEACE in our country, PEACE in our homes and schools --- and PEACE in our own HEARTS and the HEARTS of ALL!***

# Embrace the JOY of parenting.



## An Active Parenting group is starting soon!

We are proud to bring the acclaimed **Active Parenting** program directly to you! This workshop will show you effective ways to...

- use nonviolent discipline that really works
- open up lines of communication—before they get clogged
- teach responsibility, courage, and other important character traits
- encourage school success in 7 steps
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- stop scolding and start smiling with your kids again!

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