Laker Newsletter

March 30, 2023

SAINT EDWARD ON THE LAKE SCHOOL

School Hours 7:45AM-3:05PM Office Hours 7:30AM-3:30PM 1-810-385-4461







Mission Statement

We at St. Edward on-the-Lake Catholic School, work together with our families and community to create a Christ-centered environment which promotes Catholic faith formation, academic excellence, and personal development. Our students will have the opportunity to become confident, independent thinkers, and life-long learners who are responsible to God, to themselves and to society.

Faster Break

A reminder that our Easter Break will begin at the end of the day next Wednesday, April 5th and school will resume on Monday, April 17th. We hope that everyone that may be going somewhere, has safe travels, and if you are staying in the area, that you get to relax and spend time with family and friends.

Holy Week

As you know, the season of Lent is a journey, culminating with Holy Week, which begins on Palm Sunday. But did you know the following about Holy Week?

Palm Sunday

We know that on Palm Sunday, one will receive palm branches or palm crosses at Mass...but why? The palms given are used to represent the tangible sign of Jesus' 'triumphal entry' into Jerusalem. The Gospel tells us that Jesus was greeted upon entering Jerusalem, with crowds waving palm branches and crying 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Holy Thursday

This day focuses on the Last Supper that Jesus shares with his disciples, the betrayal of Judas, and his arrest at the Garden of Gethsemane.

Good Friday

As many of you are aware, this day commemorates Jesus' trial, sentencing to death, his torture, crucifixion and burial. Why "Good Friday", when it is the most somber and sad day of the Christian Calendar? The word "Good" connotes "Holy" in terms of events that took place on this day with Jesus dying for us on the cross.

Holy Saturday

This day is usually commemorated with an Easter Vigil in the evening, but do you know what the Easter Vigil represents? A "Vigil", or keeping watch of something. Jesus' female disciples "kept watch" at the tomb of Jesus on this day in the darkness and sadness of his death, they guarded and kept watch over the tomb.

Easter Sunday

Jesus is resurrected and has risen from the dead!

Easter is the symbolism of new life and rebirth and of Jesus conquering sin and death for us. It is also the joyful end of the Lenten season for many of fasting and penitence.

No Bus Service on May 4th PM Route and May 5th Both AM and PM Routes

Please note that there will be NO bus service on May 4th for the afternoon route and on Friday, May 5th for the AM or PM Route. On the 4th, the bus will be out on a field trip with our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders, and on the 5th, the bus will be in for maintenance and service. Please make sure you have alternate driving arrangements for these two days. Thank you.

Important April Dates

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3rd K-5 Stations of the Cross with Father Acervo 6th-16th Easter Break 17th School Resumes 18th and 19th Accreditation Team Visits St. Ed's 20th PTO Meeting 6:00PM in Library21st Daddy/Daughter Dance29th 2nd Grade First Holy Communion

Student Appointments

Please make sure that if you will be pulling your child from school for an appointment, that you please notify the office. In some instances, parents are notifying the teacher, who may or may not be able to relay the message to us depending on their teaching schedule that day. We want to prepare for the departure of your child and informing us lets us know you will be coming and coordinating the pick up with the teacher. Thank you for your help with this!







April Lunch Help Sign Up

We are always in need of help during the 11:20AM-12:30PM Lunch Cycle. If you can spare the time, please consider volunteering! Don't let the cold weather scare you from helping! We can use you in the lunchroom and when its too cold outside, we go in the Gym for recess!



April Lunch Volunt...

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Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Don't forget to fill out an FEP slip in the office for a chance to win a gift card this month...your assistance with lunch supervision is greatly appreciated!

School Classroom Expansion Update

Update: All school expansion bids are due tomorrow at 3:00PM here at the school. Those bids will be opened at 3:15PM and the vetting process will begin of the potential companies competing for the job. Once a company has been selected, we will meet with the AOD's College of Consultors and will look for final approval to begin construction on the expansion project.

Our proposed classroom expansion plans are now in the final stage of the bid package prep phase, with the hope that we will be able to send out our four and six classroom bid package for general contractors to bid on in three weeks. The window for general contractors to bid will take place over a 30 day period. Once this period expires, we will review the bids and bring one to the AOD and the

and share with them our financing plan for the construction and completion of the project. If given approval, a construction timeline will be implemented, with a hopeful construction start date to be in the summer of this year. Your continued prayers and thoughts on a positive outcome to this effort are needed and appreciated. We will keep everyone posted on the progress of the proposed expansion as we have new information.

2023-2024 Registration Notes

With the registration window now open for next school year, we wanted to share a couple of notes.

- -If you are a returning family, you do NOT need to complete a new application, as you only need to reenroll. There are options for both. The application process is for new families only. Returning families need only re-enroll!
- -Pay in Full Option: Did you know that if you pay your 2023-2024 Tuition IN FULL by July 1st, you get a 5% discount. Tuition must be paid in full by the July 1 date to get this discount. Note that regular monthly payments for next year will begin in July and run until the last payment in April.

School Store News

Our School Store, The Pier, will be open tomorrow, Friday, March 31st! Olivia, Jianna, Audrey, Taylor, Rowan, and Calvin will be providing great customer service to our students while visiting the school store. Did you know that the Pier has helped to pay for our students to attend two plays this year, along with reducing the cost for our Kinders and 1st graders to attend the Detroit Zoo Field Trip? Thank you for shopping local as the money raised goes right back to the school and our students!



Kremer Scholarship Applications

We are very fortunate to be selected by the Kremer Foundation, to once again receive a \$10,500 dollar tuition scholarship grant for our St. Edward on the Lake Families for the 2023-2024 school year. We are attaching the application to this correspondence for those that are interested in being considered for this scholarship opportunity. Depending on the amount of scholarship applications we receive, know that not everyone that applies, may receive one. Please note that his scholarship opportunity is for those families that will NOT be receiving the first year \$2500 dollar discount. This scholarship has strict requirements that we must abide by, including the documentation required, deadlines, and minimum household income amount needed to apply.

Important information to know regarding the scholarship application:

- 1. Maximum Family Income to apply is \$57,409 dollars
- 2. Application must be filled out in its entirety and signed
- 3. Documentation must be included verifying income (See top of application for proof requirements)
- 4. Must be turned in to school office by the deadline date of **Friday, April 21st at 3:00PM (NO EXCEPTIONS!)**, with all documentation required.

If you have any questions while filling out the application, please do not hesitate to ask.

We will also be sending this information home today in hard copy format.

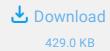


Easter Egg Hunt

Please see the attached flyer for information on the Parish Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th after the Blessing of the Baskets at 11:30AM! We hope to see you there!



Easter Egg Hunt.pdf



April Breakfast and Lunch Menus

Please find the April Breakfast and Lunch Menus below!



April Breakfast & Lunch Menu.pdf



Dress Code

Around this time of year, and as a reminder, we like to send out the Dress Code Guidelines from the Student Handbook. Please review this, as we are starting to push the boundaries in the uniform area, especially with the shoes. Thank you for your help with this!



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Daddy-Daughter Dance

Save the date for the return of our Ties and Tiaras Daddy Daughter Dance on Friday, April 21st from 6:00PM-7:30PM at the Parish Hall. More information to come out soon on this fun event for St. Ed Dads and Daughters.

Track Coach Needed

We are looking for a Track Coach or Coaches to run this year's combined Track Team comprised of St. Ed and St. Mary McCormick students. The Track season will run from April to the end of May, with track meets taking place May 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th against our other Blue Water Vicariate Schools. If you are interested in helping coach this year's team, please see Mr. Metty for more information.

BINGO Workers Needed!

As part of our Family Engagement Program, one of the areas that volunteers are needed, is to assist the Knights of Columbus at our weekly Monday Night Bingo Events at the Parish Hall. Workers are needed from 5:30PM-8:30PM each Monday. When our parents volunteer at Bingo, we will receive a portion of the proceeds from that evening's event. Please consider giving an evening to work Bingo for the school. If interested and able, please contact the school office and we will put you on the schedule for an upcoming Monday!

Protecting God's Children REMINDER

REMINDER:

If you have taken the Protecting God's Children Class, please send us a copy here in the school office. We need to note that you have taken the class in order to participate in our school functions involving our students! Thank you for your help with this!

Protecting God's Children is a three hour class that is Required by the Archdiocese of Detroit for parents of St. Edward on the Lake School that are interested in volunteering and/or working in the school. If you have already taken the class, please disregard this. If you are a new family and/or have just started volunteering, you must take this class. If you need additional information, or to locate an upcoming class, please click on the link below.



Register for PTO Remind

The PTO has set up a Remind Notification Account to push out information to our families regarding all of the activities that our PTO participates in throughout the year. Please see the attachment below on how to sign up to receive these texts to your phone.



St Edward on the Lake Facebook Page

Did you know that we have a St Edward on the Lake Facebook Page?

Check us out at the link below! We try to post happenings at the school, along with some cool pics of the activities going on at St. Ed's during the week!

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St. Edward on the Lake School



We are the Lakers, Keepers of God's Creation!

