

SAS Family Newsletter

Dear St. Ann School Families,

Welcome back! I hope that you all were able to enjoy the time to relax and make memories with family and friends. I would like to thank all of you for your kindness and thoughtfulness. Your cards, special gifts, and most importantly, your kind words are greatly appreciated. I am truly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful community at St. Ann!

I'm excited to start 2018 by instituting a newsletter to keep you informed about the wonderful things happening here at St. Ann and important updates and upcoming events.

Tax Credit Scholarship Applications Open Soon

Tax credit scholarship applications open soon and this opportunity to receive up to 100% free tuition is not to be missed! We will continue to post updates on Facebook as they come.

January 22nd, 8am: www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org

January 24th, time TBD: www.empowerillinois.org

Be sure to assemble the required documents for the applications *in advance*:

- Copy of 2016 federal tax return or 1099, W-2 and/or year-end pay stubs
- Proof of Illinois residency (driver's license, state ID, utility bill)
- Documentation of student age (birth certificate, federal/state ID, passport)

WiFi Upgrade

As I'm sure you know through observing our own children, today's students are leaders in the use of technology. More and more, they tell us that they want—they need—their learning experiences in school to reflect this. It's our job to take the technology they use in their daily lives and integrate it with how they learn. Chromebooks and iPads have made a positive impact on research skills and on student engagement and achievement here at St. Ann School.

We must ensure that our infrastructure can support the online learning going on here every day. I am happy to report that over Christmas break the WiFi network has been completed updated to better support the technology being utilized by students and staff, fully leveraging our investment in technology at St. Ann School.

New Year, New Routines

As we enter into this new year, let's help our students create strong lifelong habits by ensuring that they are in attendance and on-time each morning. Re-establishing necessary routines is important to get each school day off to a great start! As always, we appreciate your support as our teachers and students strive to maximize their time shared each day.

THANK YOU PARENTS!

It is an 8th grade tradition to have a very special Hot Cocoa Party the last week of school before Christmas Break. This very memorable party could not have been possible without the help of our parent volunteers! On behalf of the 8th graders and myself, THANK YOU! You are what makes St. Ann School so wonderful.

St. Ann Car Decals

Show your St. Ann pride with our new car decals! They are available in the office. If you turn in your "intent to return for the 2018-2019 school year" your decal will be in the Thursday

envelope. So please return it to the office ASAP. Thank you to the families who have already responded and are proudly displaying their St. Ann decal in the back window of their car!

I want to thank all of our families for all that you do in supporting our students and teachers as we look forward to an outstanding second semester here at St. Ann School. May God bless you with health and happiness in the New Year!

Kindest Regards,

Mrs. Kelly Rojas, Principal

Upcoming Dates

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday, January 10		Report cards go home
Friday, January 12	1:00pm	Early dismissal
Monday, January 15		No School - MLK Day
Thursday, January 18		8th Grade Graduation Pictures
Monday, January 22	8am	Big Shoulders Fund Tax Credit Scholarship Applications Open
Wednesday, January 24	TBD	Empower Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Applications Open
Sunday, January 28	11:30am	Catholic Schools Week Begins. Open House immediately following 10:30am mass.
Wednesday, January 31	9:00am - 11:00am	Open House
Thursday, February 1	5:30pm - 8:30pm	Roller Skating Party!