January 8, 2014

# $\alpha$ ΞL Z ш ပ ~ XAVIE **®** SCHOOL CATHOLIC XAVIER FRANCIS

# Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service



Dear Parents and Children,

Happy New Year to one and all! I hope you had a joyous Christmas and a wonderful break. Congratulations to the Children's Choir on helping to make the Christmas Eve Mass at Xavier Center a beautiful celebration.

The theme for Catholic Schools Week 2014 is "Catholic Schools: Communities

a sense of self, confidence and normalcy to children suffering from hair loss by utilizing donated ponytails to provide the highest quality hair prosthetics to financially disadvantaged children. The children receive hair prostheses free of charge or on a sliding scale, based on financial need. Hair donations forms went home today.

of Faith,
Knowledge and
Service." Inside this
newsletter please
find a tentative
schedule for all our
CSW activities. I
hope you will join
us often. Each year
for CSW, our
school participates
in a number of

Carino Color School Sch

community service projects. This year, we are again sponsoring a "slippers for slippers" day and a Locks of Love hair cutting assembly where faculty, students and parents will have at least 10 inches of their hair cut to donate to this organization. Their mission on their website, www.locksoflove.org, states: Locks of Love is a public non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under age 21 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis. We meet a unique need for children by using donated hair to create the highest quality hair prosthetics. Our mission is to return

As a reminder, all children should come to school Dressed for Recess! Of course, I do not mean that they should be out of uniform, but every day plan that your students will be getting outside for fresh air at recess.

Winter coats, hats and

gloves are in order for these winter days. If the young ladies wish to bring sweatpants to put on underneath uniform skirts or jumpers, that is perfectly fine. After all the years of wishing we had easy access to outdoor activities, we will not squander the opportunity we have here at Xavier Center.

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, best wishes for a happy and blessed New Year! We feel blessed to be spending this year with you and your family.

Very truly yours, Mrs. Rebecca Sieg

# Did You Know...

National Catholic Schools Week 2014 is the 40th anniversary of this annual event!

### SAINT OF THE WEEK



Look then on Jesus, the author and preserver of faith: in complete sinlessness he suffered, and at the hands of those who were his own, and was numbered among the wicked.

As you drink the cup of the Lord

Jesus (how glorious it is!), give <u>thanks</u> to the Lord, the giver of all blessings. ~ *Saint Raymond of Penafort* 

# LIFE QUOTE

School is one of the educational environments where one grows by learning how to live, how to become grown-up, mature men and women. This means having a big heart, having a greatness of soul. It means having grand ideals, the desire to achieve great things in response to what God asks of us and, precisely because of this, doing everyday things. It means doing the little everyday things with a big heart that is open to God and to others."

~ *Pope Francis* (addressing the importance of Catholic Education)





Congratulations to the top 10 winter sellers who will be treated to a limo ride, pizza lunch and bowling at Gilly's tomorrow (Thursday):

Ashley Stanley, Taylor Black, Alexis Mathias, Jonathan Soliday, Nathan Holt, J.D. Sieg, Dylan Ed, Andrew Warthen, Sean Sneed & Joseph Flake.

Gertrude Hawk.

Highest Internet Sales: Griffin Kibler

Highest Preschool Sales: Riya Clingan

Top class participation was 8th grade @ 55%. They will get a pizza lunch at a date to be determined.

Highest class dollar sold was 2nd grade. Mrs. Fleming will get \$25.00 and some chocolates.



### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL @ XAVIER CENTER

465 Table Rock Road Gettysburg, PA 17325

Phone: 717-334-4221 Fax: 717-334-8883 www.sfxs.org E-mail: bsieg@sfxs.org

"Educate them in a Christian Way of Life." ~ St. Francis Xavier



Every Sunday is a Holy Day of Obligation April 7-April 11

## **School Cancellation Policy**

Cancellation of school takes place during extraordinary circumstances such as extreme weather, equipment failure or public crisis. In most instances, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School follows the Gettysburg School District's school calendar. School postponements and cancellations will be announced over WGTY Great Country 107.7 & WGAL (Channel 8). You can sign up to receive email or text notifications of cancellations, delays and early dismissals through the WGAL website, www.wgal.com.

# Meetings, Announcements, Reminders

January 9	Gertrude hawk Dress Down Day (with pass)
January 11	Foul Shooting Contest 10am
January 17	1st Grade Dress Down Day - Box Tops
January 20	No School - Martin Luther King Jr Day
January 21	Noreen Neitz Race Dress Down Day (only with race shirt)
January 22	No School Pre-K
	Prayer Rally @ Courthouse 12pm
January 27	CSW: Morning Prayers, Muffins & Music
January 28	CSW: Slippers For Slippers & Prayer Partner Bingo
January 29	CSW: Donuts With Mom & Dad, Wacky Wednesday, Locks for Love
January 30	CSW: Musical Chairs (PreK3-Gr3), Minute to Win It (Gr4-8)
January 31	CSW: Class Color Day, CSW Olympics, Pep Rally, Family Bingo
February 8	Father-Daughter Dance
March 31-April 4	CoGAT Testing Grades 3-5. Do not schedule any morning appointments

## SNOW/COLD WEATHER MAKE-UP DAYS

ITBS Testing Grades 3-8. Do not schedule any morning appointments

Our make-up days for Friday, January 3rd and Tuesday, January 7th will be Monday, June 2nd and Tuesday, June 3rd.

# Spiritual Adoption Program



Jesus, Mary and Joseph, we love you very much. We beg you to spare the life of the unborn children whom we have spiritually adopted. Please help the parents to love their child and to do God's will in bringing that child to life. Amen.



#### St. Francis Xavier Catholic School: A Community of Faith Knowledge and Service Since 1877

#### Sunday, January 26, 2014:

#### Catholic Schools Week Family Mass, 11 a.m. @ Xavier Center

Blessing of the St. Francis Xavier Athletic Association coaches and players

#### Monday, January 27, 2014:

Morning Prayers, Muffins and Music, 8:15 a.m. @ Xavier Center

#### Tuesday, January 28, 2014:

Prayer for Vocations: Eucharistic Adoration, 9:45 a.m. @ Xavier Center

Prayer Partner Bingo

"Slippers for Slippers" Day! Bring a pair of nonskid slippers to donate to local nursing homes and wear your slippers during the day at school.

#### Wednesday, January 29, 2014:

#### Donuts with Mom & Dad, 7 – 8 a.m. Locks for Love Assembly, 9:15 a.m.

"Wacky Wednesday" Dress Down Day

Come see faculty, students and parents get new hair styles as they make donations for Locks for Love. Want to join the fun? Fill attached form and return to SFXCS by January 21<sup>st</sup>

#### Thursday, January 30, 2014:

#### **Teacher Appreciation Day**

Students Council sponsored "Game Day"

"Favorite Team/College/School" Dress Down Day

Bus Driver Appreciation: each bus driver will receive a bag of goodies

Teacher Appreciation Hour after school sponsored by PTO and School Advisory Board.

#### **Friday, January 31, 2014:**

#### Student Appreciation Day

"Class Color" Day

Catholic Schools Week Olympics, 10:00-11:00 a.m. for PreK-3, 11:15-12:15 a.m. for grades 4-8.

All School Spirit Competition, 1:30 (ear plugs recommended) & DJ John Ziegler 2-2:45 p.m.

*Family Bingo Night, 6:30 p.m. @ Xavier Center*, \$2.00 per person (maximum \$10 per family) includes game cards, dabbers and snacks.

#### Saturday, February 1, 2014:

St. Francis Xavier Raiders CYO Basketball @ Xavier Center, 11:30 am - 6 pm

#### **Throughout the Week:**

**Penny Wars**: Student Council-sponsored competition to raise money for the Parish Building Fund! **Box Tops for Ice Cream** Bring in 20 Box Tops for Education and receive a free ice cream treat!

"After the gift of life, the best gift we can give our children is the gift of a Catholic education."

Most Rev. Nicholas Dattilo, the late Bishop of Harrisburg

# St. Francis Xavier 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Fundraising Auction

### Meet Me On Bourbon Street A Mardi Gras Celebration

Saturday, March 22, 2014 \* St. Francis Xavier Center Proceeds to Benefit the Technology Program and Development Fund

# AUCTION DONOR FORM

Please print or type	,			
<i>Please list donor i</i> Name/ Contact	n program	as		
				ZIP:
EMAIL:		FAX #:		
SEND LETTER OF THA	ANKS TO (if d	ifferent from name listed a	above):	
FULL DESCRIPTION O	)F DONATION	Ţ•		
TOLL DESCRIPTION (	n borninor			
CATEGORY OF ITEM				
				ontinue on reverse side if needed)
, T.E.O.E.				rear unless otherwise noted
GIFT CERTIFICATE:	Attached	•	-	generated please
DONATION RECRUITED B	BY:			
NAME:				
		EMAIL:		
Committee Use Only:				
Location of Item:				
	The second secon		Available	For Pick Up
Brochure/Details Availa	ahle Attached	Will Provide	Info th	nat is still needed



#### Dear Parents:

For more than 135 years, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School has educated thousands of students in a Christian way of life. A school rich in tradition but always looking forward, St. Francis Xavier understands the importance of keeping up with technology and current teaching methods. It is with the generous help of our community through fundraisers and donations that we are able to do so. Since 1996, St. Francis Xavier has hosted its biennial auction. The past nine auctions have raised more than \$350,000 for our school's Development and Technology funds, enabling us to offer Tuition Assistance to our families in need and to support the continual upgrades to the Dr. Irvin A. Karam Computer Lab.

We are proud to announce that St. Francis Xavier will host its 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial Fundraising Auction, Saturday, March 22, 2014, at the Xavier Center. The auction averages more than 350 people in attendance in which to showcase your business or product. Auction donors are thanked in our school newsletter and all items are published in the event's program. To continue your support of our school and our 2014 Auction please follow the steps below:

- Use the attached auction donor form or download one from our website at www.sfxs.org.
- Please complete a form for each item you wish to donate to the event. Please verify that the contact information and item descriptions are accurate.
- Please email the form to the school at <u>development@sfxs.org</u> or send it to the office through backpack mail..
- All items need to be received at the school no later than Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>.
- If you have a question about an item you wish to donate please email our office at <u>development@sfxs.org</u>.

As a parent of a student at St. Francis, we need your help in many ways to make this event a HUGE success:

- 1. <u>Donate:</u> We need items to make the auction a success. These can be services you can provide; tickets to sporting events you have access to; Gift cards to your favorite place to eat or shop; access to vacation rentals; items for around the house (furniture, art work, etc.); Baked goods.
- 2. Who do you know?: We all know someone that has a service or an item that would be a great item for the auction. It could be a friend, neighbor, friend of a friend or a business you frequent. Please forward them the link to our website or a copy of the donation form to see if they are interested.
- 3. Attend the Event: Tickets to the auction are available to attend this great night of FUN raising. Tickets are \$25 per person or \$225 for a table of 10. Please consider attending the event in addition to supporting us with your donation. Bring friends! Get tables with other school families! HAVE FUN!
- 4. <u>Volunteer!!</u>: The auction is one of the most labor intensive events we coordinate. Help is needed leading up to the event and especially during the event. If you have an interest in getting involved please email development@sfxs.org.

Thank you in advance for supporting our children and the wonderful programs of St. Francis Xavier Catholic School. Hope to see you at the event

Sincerely,

The St. Francis Xavier Catholic School 2014 Auction Committee

# St Francis Xavier CYO BASKETBALL SCHEDULE Revision 01/07/14

Bold items are changes since the last schedule.

Thursday, January 9 <sup>th</sup>	SFX @ St. Joseph's	6:00 Varsity Girls
Saturday, January 11th	St. Joseph's @ ABVM @ Delone	11:30 Varsity Girls
	Sacred Heart @ SFX @ Delone	3:15 Varsity Girls
Sunday, January 12 <sup>th</sup>	SFX @ Sacred Heart	1:00 Intramural Girls 2:00 Intramural Boys 3:00 JV Girls 4:15 Varsity Girls 5:30 JV Boys "A" 6:30 JV Boys "B" 7:30 Varsity Boys
a	0 T.V. O. A D.V.A.	

Saturday, January 18 <sup>th</sup>	SFX @ ABVM	**(possible change from Feb 2 <sup>nd</sup> .	10:30	Varsity G	irls
The above Girls' game	is not confirmed!!!	Coach Katherine w	vill let you	u know.	
	St. Joan of Arc @	SFX 9	9:00 JV	Boys	
		-	10:00 Va	rsity Boys	}

**SFX HOSTING** St. Joseph's (Mech) vs. Corpus Christi @ SFX 11:00 JV Boys 12:00 Varsity Boys

Sunday, January 19 <sup>th</sup>	SFX @ (TBD)	JV Boys
		Varsity Boys

Saturday, January 25 <sup>th</sup>	SFX @ St. Joseph's	10:00 Intramural Boys
		11:00 JV Boys "A"
		12:00 JV Boys "B"
		1:00 Varsity Boys
		2:00 JV Girls
		3:15 Varsity Girls

Sunday, January 26 <sup>th</sup>	SFX @ Corpus	1:30 JV Girls	
		2:45 JV Boys "A"	
		3:45 JV Boys "B"	
		4:45 Varsity Boys	
Saturday, February 1 <sup>st</sup>			
•	Sacred Heart @ SFX	11:30 Intramural Boys	
		12:30 JV Girls	
		1:45 Varsity Girls	
		3:00 JV Boys "A"	
		4:00 JV Boys "B"	
		5:00 Varsity Boys	
Sunday, February 2 <sup>nd</sup>	SFX @ ABVM	1:00 Varsity Girls	
	** (possible change in this date due to the Super Bowl.)		
Saturday, February 8 <sup>th</sup>	ABVM @ SFX	10:00 JV Girls	
		11:15 Varsity Girls	
		12:30 Varsity Boys	
		1:30 JV Boys "A"	
		2:30 JV Boys "B"	
Sunday, February 9 <sup>th</sup>			
February 10 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup>	St. Joseph's Varsity Boys Tournament		
	St. Joseph's JV Boys & Girls Tournaments		





#### ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL

2013-2014 goal: \$2000 | SEE EARNINGS \*







**BOX TOPS PRODUCTS** 

SHOP & EARN ONLINE

**BONUS OFFERS** 



ENTER FOR A CHANCE TO WIN 25,000 eBOXTOPS® FOR YOUR SCHOOL\*







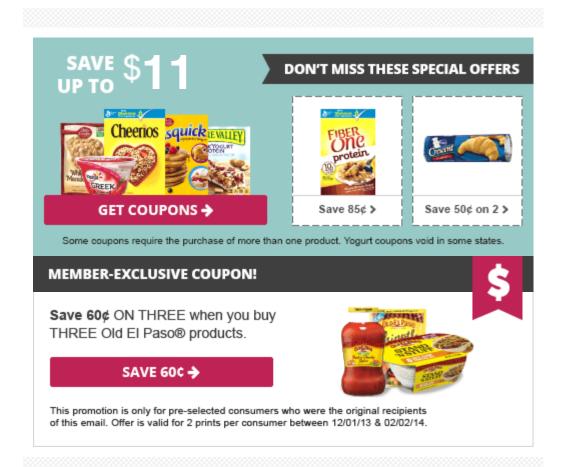
DINNER SOLVED: EASY MEXICAN CHICKEN IN THE SLOW COOKER





NEW YEAR, NEW PRODUCTS! SEE WHICH BRANDS HAVE JUST BEEN ADDED





#### THIS MONTH'S FEATURED BOX TOPS PRODUCTS:



