February 4, 2015



Thank you to everyone who helped to make our celebration of Catholic Schools Week 2015 a success! Even with 2 snow days, almost all of our events and activities were still held. Special thanks to our Student Council, our faculty and staff, Father Bateman and everyone who participated in our celebration. Thank you to our PTO for providing the faculty with a wonderful and delicious lunch last week and to both our PTO and School Advisory Board for the Teacher Appreciation event.





Thank you to those who donated to our Locks of Love collection this year: Alexis Mathias (Gr3), Ariya Miller (Gr3), Ava Hochard (Gr4), Harley Hochard (Gr6), Nellie Phillips (Gr7), Mrs. Jennifer Fleming (2nd

Grade Teacher & mother of Jacob-4, Molly-2 and Lia-K), Mrs. Amy Woods (4-8 Science Teacher & mother of Gabe-2 and Morgan-PK), Mrs. Ruthanne Wentz (School Guidance Counselor), Katrina Hochard (mother of Ava, Harley and Kai-K), Rebecca Fissel (mother of Dallas-7), Katherine Rarrick (mother of Lauren-K), and Sarah Yeingst (daughter of Mrs. Annie Yeingst). Also a huge thank you to Connie Mulligan (LIU) who brought her ponytail to be included with our donation and to our three hairstylists: Brigit Soliday, Michele Turner, and Nikki Stone (mother of Hailey-2).

Thank you to all who brought in Slippers for Slippers, supported our penny wars, who attended Donuts with Mom & Dad, and Family Bingo Night, those who celebrated Holy Mass with us on Sunday and all those who braved the noise to join us for our special gym games and Pep Rally. It was truly a St. Francis Xavier Catholic School Family-centered week. God bless you for your support of our school. Please see inside for information on our upcoming Information & Registration Night, encourage your friends who are considering SFXCS to attend! *Very truly yours,* 

> Mrs. Rebecca Sieg Principal

**Monday Morning Prayers, Muffins, Music** and Open House NOW being held February 9th again weather permiting!

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

"Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe; to know what he ought to desire; and to know what he ought to do."

~St. Thomas Aquinas

#### SFXCS TO HOLD INFORMATION & REGISTRATION NIGHT

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School and Preschool will sponsor Early Education Parent Information and New Student Registration Night on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at Xavier Center. Parents interested in the preschool program or the full-day prekindergarten and kindergarten programs for Fall 2015 are invited to attend. Registration materials for preschool through eighth grade will be available that evening.

St. Francis Xavier Preschool offers a morning preschool program for three- and four-year-old children. Parents may enroll their preschoolers on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Should there be an abundant number of children for this program, we may add an additional class Monday and Wednesday mornings. The full-day prekindergarten program for children ages four and five is offered five days a week during regular school hours.

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School offers a full-day kindergarten program for children who will be age 5 years by October 1, 2015 and who are prepared for an academic kindergarten experience. Enrollment in the academic program for students in grades 1 - 8 is offered on a space available basis.

All programs are offered in a safe and caring, child-centered, family-oriented Catholic environment. Before and after school care is available for children in prekindergarten through 8th grade. New student registration for Preschool through 8th grade will be accepted that evening.

Parents must bring copies of birth or baptismal certificates, social security numbers, immunization records, and the required registration fee.

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, an elementary school fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges and the State of Pennsylvania and operating under the direct auspices of the Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg, is part of the educational mission of St. Francis Xavier Parish. Families from other faith communities are welcomed and valued members of the St. Francis Xavier Catholic School community.

For more information, please contact our principal, Mrs. Becky Sieg, at 334-4221 or bsieg@sfxs.org.

#### Penny War results are as follows:

10th Place: PreK 4's with -4389 points 9th Place: Grade 5 with -2663 points 8th Place: Grade 3 with -2578 points 7th Place: Grade 4 with -2263 points 6th Place: Grade 6 with -2133 points 5th Place: Grade 8 with -263 points 4th Place: Grade 7 with +2121 points 3rd Place: Grade 2 with +2466 points

2nd Place: Grade 1 with +46,723 points



And the WINNERS of this year's Penny Wars is....KINDERGARTEN with +54,703 points

Thank you to all of our students and families who donated pennies, coins and bills to support this years' Penny Wars! We generated over \$2600 that we will be putting toward Our Karam Computer Lab in memory of their son-in-law Bernie Smith who passed away Sunday Evening!

Our top 3 money generating classes were: Kindergarten with approximately \$933.93, Grade 1 with approximately \$699.43 and Grade 2 with approximately \$178.01.



A HUGE Thanks to Father Bateman, Mrs Barb Redding, and Mrs Priscilla Barahona for preparing the fantastic Italian Dinner last Wednesday evening. Thanks also go out to the following for generously donating their time to assist in making our Family Dinner run smoothly: Will Berger, Maria Cushing-Daniels, Clayton Hillson, Julianna Malesky, Naomi Maqueda, Dallas Plank, Amanda SanJuan-Miranda, Maddie Sieg, Ashley Stanley, Miss Kim, Miss Criss, Cheryl Guy, Kaitlin Repp, Matt and Tony Redding, Kevin Kelly, Michael & Sarah Kotlinski, Kyle and Kaleb Repp, Brady Arnold, Griffith Kotlinski, and Joey Baldwin!

**Congratulations** to the 4-7<sup>th</sup> grade members of our Girls Basketball Team who recently won the Championship Game at the Resurrection 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Tournament in Lancaster. Girls beat St. Leo's in the Championship game 44-19. Congratulations Girls!!



## Recently, all SFXCS students in grades 7 & 8 took a Diocesan Religion Test; SRE

students were encouraged to take the test as

well. The students scoring the top 10 scores move on to participate in our Parish Faith Bee, with the winner eventually representing our Parish in the Diocesan Faith Bee. Congratulations to the following 7th and 8th Grade students who will be participating in our Parish Faith Bee on Tuesday, February 10th at 8:45am: Maria Cushing-Daniels (8), Clayton Hillson (8), Sophia Holt (7), Alicia Mackle (8), Danielle Malesky (8), Julianna Malesky (8), Brooke Perkins (8), Devon Sautter (8), Maddie Sieg (7) and Ashley Stanley (7).

Congratulations also go out to Parker Staub (who scored a perfect 100%) and Austin Staub who will be competing for St. Aloysius' representative to the Diocesan Faith Bee.

Congratulations and Good Luck to all of you!

## DEVELOPMENT NEWS



#### **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

St. Francis Xavier School Night at the Races March 14, 2015

Here's How it Works! The racing lineup includes 10 races with 10 horses each, followed by an 11th auction race. For each race, bet on your favorite horse to win. Bets are in \$2 increments, and you can bet as much as you want and on as many horses as you would like.

The 11th auction race is an opportunity for you to buy and name a horse, and each horse is sold to the highest bidder. The owner of the winning horse for this race receives half the proceeds from the auction race! So get together with your friends and family and come out for a fabulous night!

More information will be coming home this week via back pack mail as to ways to sponsor a horse, name a horse and purchase tickets.

We hope you can join us!



Congratulations
to Austin and
Keefer Stiles
who recently
were promoted
to their junior
black belts!

Calling all Girls in Kindergarten Grade 4! Want to cheer with the
SFX cheerleaders at the JV boys'
game Saturday, February
7th? Show up at Xavier Center at
10am in your gym uniform and
the cheerleaders will teach you
some of their cheers so you can
join them on the cheer bench for
the boys game at 11am! Come
experience what it is like to cheer
for the SFX Raiders!

#### Meetings, Announcements, Reminders



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

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



Every Sunday is a Holy Day of Obligation February 6 First Friday Mass 8:45am

February 7 First Penance 10am @ High St. Church

February 7 Father Daughter Dance 7-9pm February 9 4th Gr Dress Down & Pizza Day

February 9 Muffins & Music 8:15am

February 10 Religion Bee 8:45am

February 13 Valentine's Day Parties 2:15-2:45pm

February 15 Children's Choir Singing 10am @ High St.

February 16 No School

February 18 Ash Wednesday mass 8:45am

February 20 Spelling Bee 8:45am

February 24 Registration & Information Night 6:30pm

February 25 Stations of the Cross 1:20pm

March 14 Night at the Races

April 2 Snow Make Up Half-Day

April 3 – Apr 6 Easter Break

April 13 – Apr 17 CoGAT Testing for Grades 3 & 5

April 20 - Apr 24 ITBS Testing for Grades 3-8

May 7 Golf Tournament

June 1 Snow Make Up Day

June 2 Snow Make Up Day

Source Make Up Day

June 3 Snow Make Up Day

#### **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.

### Spiritual Adoption Program

#### Month 6

I'm 6 months old now.

I just opened my eyes Before today they
were sealed shut for
protection. I wonder
what you look like.
I can hear sounds,
too! It's great to
have someone
praying
for me.

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.

## SATURDAY, February 28

Saint Andrew School

## **SMARTY PANTS** TRIVIA NIGHT



Wise Guy, Eh?
PROVE IT!

Register your team by February 20th More info online!

SaintAndrewSchool.org

 $6PM \underset{\text{in the School Hall,}}{sharp}$ 



# St. Andrew School Smarty Pants Trivia Night Round V!!!



#### Saturday February 28, 6-9pm in the school hall

- The evening includes **trivia**, **brain stretchers and games of chance**.
- This is a **Fundraiser** as well as a "**Fun-raiser**". There will be Beer, Soda, Water and Brain Food for Sale. **Please no outside food/beer.**

Team Name:		

No. of members: (6-10)

- \$15/person
- \$25/couple

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