



MRS. LOPEZ'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Dear St. Luke Families,

Welcome back to school from a restful spring break. It is so nice to see the students' smiling faces as they return from break. The next few months will be quite busy for us so please be sure to keep in the loop by reading our weekly messages.



The message below was in the last newsletter, but I wanted to send it one more time as a reminder: As we approach the last few months of the school year, I wanted to take a minute to send these general reminders to you.

- End of year field trips are being scheduled and some parents are chaperoning. In order to chaperone on a field trip, parents are required to 1. Get fingerprinted and 2. Complete the Protecting God's Children Class.
- Students are expected to wear the appropriate school uniform every day. Teachers are going to be recognizing students in complete uniform by awarding Spartan Bucks and sending infraction notices for students not in school uniform. Please see attachment for a copy of the notice.
- For the safety of everyone, remember to slow down and practice caution when dropping off and picking up students in car line. Also, be sure to use the car line at dismissal rather than parking.

Blessings,
Mrs. Lopez

Picture Day Schedule Change

Due to a scheduling issue with our school photographer, Spring Picture Day was changed from this Thursday, March 30th to Friday, March 31st. Students should wear their Easter Sunday Best Clothes or Church Uniforms. For your info, our dress down policy states, "Students are to wear clean and neat clothes. No "cutoffs"; no ragged fringe cuffs; no holes or tears in slacks/shorts/tops. Plain, clean and neat shirts/tee shirts with no unacceptable artwork, slogans, or logos may be worn. No tank tops; no "mid"-tops exposing midsection; no outerwear resembling underwear or pajamas; no clothing that reveals undergarments; no low cut dresses, no open shoes or sandals; no over shirts covering up inappropriate outfits."

Registration for 2017-2018

The deadline to register for next school year is this Friday, March 31st. If you are signed up for FACTS, you will automatically be debited your \$125/student registration fee on March 31st. If you are not signed up, please be sure to stop by the school office or finance office and pay the registration fee of \$125/student by March 31st. After March 31st, the registration fee increases to \$275/student, NO EXCEPTIONS. So, be sure to take advantage of the early registration. ***Please be sure to complete the registration form and send to the Main Office. These forms are due to the office ASAP.***

Parish Acknowledgement Forms

In order to receive the active tuition rate for the 2017-2018 school year, this form must be completed and returned to the school office by this Friday, March 31st.

Tuition Contracts

Families that are registered for 2017-2018 school year will be receiving the tuition contract to sign and return to the school after the Easter Holiday.

Field Day

Thank you so much to Coach Needleman, Mrs. Rice, and to all of our parent volunteers this year for our annual field day. The weather was perfect and our little Spartans truly had a great day!

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

The dates remaining for the Fish Fry are: March 24, 31, April 7 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the Parish Hall. The cost is \$12 in advance, which includes soda or water and dessert and \$15 at the door. Tickets for children 12 and under is \$7. There also will be a cash bar for beer & wine. Volunteer students and parents are needed to help with these dinners. If you are able to help, please email Robert Matyskiel at robert@financialmp.com

Home and School Association Reminders

Volunteers are needed! Please sign up in the office to help for Walk-a-thon and Teacher Appreciation Week. Our next HSA Meeting is Tuesday, April 4th at 6pm in the STEM Lab.

Volunteer Forms

Just a friendly reminder, all families are expected to volunteer 20 hours this school year or a fee of \$250 will be assessed. All forms are due to the school by April 30th. However, if you are planning to volunteer at one of the events during the month of May, please notify us in writing so that we make a note to your account.

Sunday Service Ministry Cards

Students in grades 4-8 should be participating in one of the following Sunday Ministries: usher, altar server, choir, lector. Please remember that these cards are due to us by May 31st. However, a copy of this card should be submitted with the Parish Acknowledgment form that is due on March 31st. Please note this is a correction from the past newsletters.

STEM Summer Camp

Join us for our STEM Summer Camp in June! Spend two weeks with us engaged in hands-on activities for only \$200. Flyer with details is attached.

Upcoming Dates

- **March 30** –Lent Reconciliations for grades 3-5.
- **March 31** – 8:15am Mass Lent Reconciliations for grades 6-8. Spring Picture Day (Students may dress in their Easter Best appropriate clothes.) 8th Grade Stations of the Cross for 1st-7th grade at 2:30pm in the church.
- **April 4** – 4th – 8th Grade Honor Roll Assembly and National Junior Honor Society Inductions at 2:15pm. Home and School Association Meeting 6pm
- **April 5** – 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade Field Trip; Title I Parent Meeting at 3:15pm
- **April 6** – 5:30pm 2nd Grade First Reconciliation in the church
- **April 7** – 8:15am Mass-Students should wear church uniforms. Noon dismissal for students.
- **April 8** – 9am First Communion Retreat and 9am School Advisory Council Meeting
- **April 11** – 8th Graders attend Chrism Mass at the Cathedral
- **April 12** – Safety Patrol Field Trip
- **April 13, 14, 17** – Easter Holiday, No School.
- **April 18** – 8am Coffee Talk with Mrs. Lopez
- **April 20** – 6pm Move Up a Grade Night and 6:30pm Invention Convention



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Dress Code Reminder

Dear St. Luke Parent,

Your child _____ has not been complying with the school's mandatory **DRESS CODE POLICY** (listed below) in one or more of the following area(s). We appreciate your cooperation in assisting him/her in meeting these guidelines. **THANK YOU!**

- _____ **SHIRTS**
- _____ **BOTTOMS**
- _____ **SHOES**
- _____ **PERSONAL APPEARANCE, HAIRSTYLE, JEWELRY, or MAKEUP**

I received the above notice and will work with my child to follow the **DRESS CODE** requirements.

Parent Signature

Date

DRESS CODE POLICY (from St. Luke Student/Parent Handbook)

Uniforms are a tradition at SLCS. The purpose is to maintain unity and pride in appearance while focusing on Catholic teachings and academics. All uniforms must be purchased from the school's designated uniform supplier. No clothing with brand names or logos may be worn with the uniform. The uniform should be clean and pressed with all buttons attached, hem intact, and be free of rips or holes. Faded or heavily soiled garments should not be worn. We feel that the enforcement of the dress code is an opportune time to "unite with parents" as is written in our mission statement. We rely on you to observe, and correct if necessary, the dress and condition of your children before you drive them to school.

All Students (Pre-K to 8)

The following are acceptable: All shirts must be long enough to be kept tucked in at all times, and not be inappropriately tight.

- White or green (navy 8th grade only) knit polo-style shirt with school logo may be worn.
- White, blue, gray or dark green turtlenecks may be worn under the uniform shirt. (In cold weather, under 55 degrees only)
- Navy SLCS cardigan sweaters may be worn over shirts or jumpers.
- St. Luke navy sweatshirts, SLCS sweater, or jacket with SLCS logo—may only be worn over a uniform shirt. (No hooded sweatshirts are permitted)
- Each Thursday is Spartan Spirit Day — any St. Luke t-shirt may be worn with uniform bottoms.
- White, navy, or black socks only and socks must be visible.
- If belt loops are present on pants or shorts, a solid black, brown, or navy belt must be worn at all times. (No designer belts are allowed)
- Traditional belt and buckle with no design on the belt or on the buckle.
- Black, brown or navy blue leather shoes. No sneaker type shoe like Vans or other skateboard shoes are allowed—black shoe laces only—must be kept tied.
- Sport shoes or tennis shoes may also be worn on PE days. They must be predominately white, black, gray or navy with coordinating shoelaces.
- Pre-K –2nd Grade: may wear sneakers—we encourage sneakers that are double knotted each day. We encourage PreK & K to wear Velcro sneakers.
- Shoes may not have removable wheels—no roller shoes. No open toed or open heeled shoes of any type are allowed.

Girls Pre-K - 8

- All girls are allowed to wear navy shorts, plaid green skort/skirt, or plaid dress/jumper with white blouse.
- It is recommended that girls PK-5 wear plaid jumper with white blouse for Mass. It will be required for the 2017-2018 school year.
- It is recommended that girls 6-8 wear plaid skirt with regulation polo shirt for Mass. It will be required for the 2017-2018 school year. Green dress or jumpers are available to students.

Boys Pre-K – 8

- All boys are allowed to wear navy or khaki pants or shorts with regulation polo shirt.
- Pants/shirts top will be located at the waist.
- Students may wear pants with elastic waist (Pre-K—2 grades only)

Personal Appearance, Hairstyle, Jewelry, Make-Up

- Girls may wear small navy blue, white, or uniform plaid hair accessories. All girls' hair needs to be pulled back away from their faces. For student safety—NO wigs or hair extensions (beaded) are permitted.
- Students are not allowed to wear make-up at any time. This includes eye make-up, nail polish, and acrylic nails. In addition, make-up should not be brought to school.
- Extreme hairstyles and hair coloring are not permitted. Hair should be neat not covering the eyes and pulled back. Boys' hair should be above the shirt collar and neatly groomed—when combed straight down, bangs cannot pass eyebrows; hair cannot touch collar while the top button of shirt is fastened; hair must be tapered in back and on sides. Facial hair is not permitted.
- No tattoos of any kind (permanent or temporary). Writing on skin is not permitted.
- A religious medal on a narrow metal chain, a wristwatch, and a small ring are the only acceptable jewelry. Girls may wear one pair of small post earrings. No jewelry extremes.
- Students may not wear rubber bracelets of any kind Pre-K through 8th grade.

The Administration reserves the right to determine any fad or style of hair or appearance inappropriate for school, and to keep students out of school until a correction is made. In addition, students who violate the dress code may be given loaned attire from the school uniform closet or will be permitted to call home to call home for parents to bring appropriate clothing.



When: June 13th-23rd

Where: St. Luke Catholic School, A Notre Dame ACE Academy, Palm Springs, Florida

Time: 9:00-12:00

Grades: 6th-8th

Activities:

Week one: Anatomy

Activities include:

- Dissections: Eye Heart, Brain, Kidney, Fetal Pig
- Blood typing
- Fingerprinting
- Develop germ cultures
- Respiratory System exploration

Week Two:

Engineering Unit: **Biomedical Engineering: design and build a Prosthetic Fin for a Fish**

Cost: \$200

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Grade Level** _____

Email: _____

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The Olga & Eugene Guttman Annual Visual Arts & Writing Contest

2016-2017

What Are Some of the Most Significant Lessons of the Holocaust That Are Relevant Today?

Contest Dates: September 6, 2016–April 18, 2017



2016 Winner Elyssa Chevallier
Grade 8, Coral Springs Middle School



2016 Winner Jenny Devieu
Grade 11, South Dade Senior High School



2016 Winner Rebecca Buchholz
Grade 12, McArthur High School

Visual Arts Contest

Students can submit any media, including sculpture, computer graphic design, collage, music, videography, PowerPoints, and painting.

Writing Contest

Students can submit poetry, an essay, or a story. No research papers, please. Limit 1,000 words. Written entries must be typed, double-spaced, on one side of the paper.

Open to students in grades K–12, college, and university. All entries must have an index card indicating name, home phone, email address (if available), grade, name of school, full school address, and teacher's name and email address. Please print clearly. Each entry must represent the original effort of the writer and/or artist.

Prizes

The First Place Winner in each category will receive a \$50 cash prize. All entries will receive a Certificate of Merit. Winners will be announced May 5, 2017.

Deliver, mail, or email entries to:

Attn: Contest Entries

Holocaust Documentation & Education Center

303 N Federal Highway • Dania Beach, FL 33004

education@hdec.org

Questions? Email or call 954.929.5690 x 304



Overall Arts Contest Winner Laura Ramirez
Grade 11, Miami Sunset Senior High, Miami, FL

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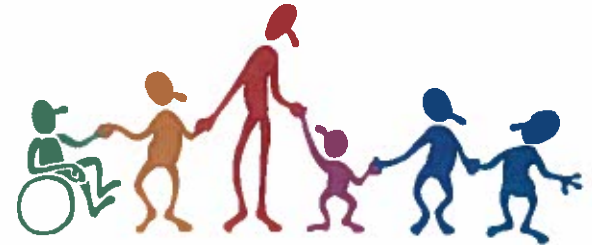
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2016-2017 Annual “A Simple Act of Kindness” Contest

Contest Dates:

September 6, 2016 – April 18, 2017

Think of an idea for positive change in the world
and put it into action.



Inspired by the novel *Pay It Forward* by Catherine Ryan Hyde, and the film of the same name, this contest asks students to examine how their actions affect others. The hero of the novel devises a plan to do something nice for three people. When asked how they can pay back his kindness, he tells them to “Pay It Forward” to three more people. This chain of passing along an act of kindness quickly multiplies, positively affecting a large number of people in a short time.



There are many things within our communities that each of us could do to make a positive difference. We could get involved in helping the homeless or underprivileged; tackling the problems of youth violence, literacy, pollution, at-risk youth; speaking out against ethnic slurs, jokes, and hate music; appreciating and celebrating our ethnic, religious, and cultural differences; and the list goes on and on.

We ask you to look beyond yourself and make a difference in someone’s life. Sometimes, it can be as easy as smiling at someone who is feeling sad, or including an individual who is alone. Even a simple act of kindness can make a tremendous difference and, in turn, can positively affect others.

Tell us about Acts of Kindness in your life and how you are making a difference at home, at school, or in your community. What did these acts mean to you and how do you think you have affected change for the better?

Open to students in grades K–12, college, and university. All entries must have an index card indicating name, home phone, email address (if available), grade, name of school, full school address, and teacher’s name and email address. Please print clearly. Each entry must represent the original effort of the writer and/or artist.

Prizes

Winners will receive a \$50 cash prize and will have their names inscribed on our wall of “Students Making a Difference.” Winners will be announced May 5, 2017, and will also share their entries at our Teacher Institute on Holocaust Education in June.

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