WEEKLY NEWSLETTER March 28, 2024



Dear Families -

I loved the Living Stations performance that the 8th graders completed this afternoon. This activity is a wonderful part of Holy Week. Thank you to our 8th grade teachers, Mrs. Morrow and Mrs. Shade, for their efforts and to the 8th grade students.

We are sad to say that our online payment option for LUNCH and AFTER SCHOOL through

TEACHEREASE went away. Due to changes within TeacherEase, we will no longer have this option. However, we know that many of our parents like having an online option so we have come up with an alternative option. Starting with April 8 (for the end of March), April 30 and then again on May 31, for any family that wants it, the OSS office will determine the LUNCH and AFTER SCHOOL balance and will have your FACTS account automatically draft your amount due. However, if your family accounts do not add up to AT LEAST \$10, we will not draft that month. **YOU would need to contact me via email ONCE** (svandevelde@oursaviourshamrocks.com) to tell me that you want this option. It will only happen if you contact me. IF you choose this option, FACTS will send you an email letting you know of the draft amount before it actually occurs.

Please note – on April 8th – there is no JSD PM bus service as they are dismissing early.

Any student grades $2^{nd} - 8^{th}$ grade that does not have a permission slip turned in to view the solar eclipse on April 8^{th} will stay in the office.

Our Saviour Athletics/Extracurriculars Hog Raffle: Thanks to a partnership with the Knights of Columbus, the Our Saviour 5th-7th Grade Students will be selling Hog Raffle tickets. If a family has multiple students in grades 5-7, they will only receive one set of tickets. The two winners will each receive half of a hog. Processing will be done at Jones Meat and Locker. Our Spring Hog raffle tickets will be sold beginning on March 29th. We will draw our winning tickets on Monday, May 20th. The hog will be available in July. Funds raised will benefit our athletic and extracurricular programs. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the KC Hall. Raffle tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. A big thanks to the Knights of Columbus for sponsoring this fundraising effort and to Jones Meat and Locker for providing the processing at a reduced rate.

 $K - 2^{nd}$ and 6^{th} grade dental forms and Kindergarten eye exam forms are due ASAP. Notification to those that are not turned in have been sent home.

Six of our students have been working diligently on our school play. We are so excited to see their performance. We will have a dress rehearsal at 2:00 on April 22 and then the performance for our parents/family/friends will be that evening at 7:00 pm. Good Luck to Brittni D, Amanda D, Maci M, Hadley H, Ruby H, and Breezy S. Shout out to Mr. Rose for directing this event.

BOOK FAIR IS HERE! The book fair is ONLINE – all this week. Go to: <u>https://www.scholastic.com/bf/oursaviourschool</u>

The Lenten Mite/Rice Bowls are due in the office by March 31. Please return them before going on spring break.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: In order for OSS to continue to do so many wonderful things, we need assistance from our parents. Please consider one of the following:

Parent Club is looking for someone to coordinate Teacher Appreciation Week which is May 6-10. If you are interested, contact Amy Wheeler at <u>awheeler@oursaviourshamrocks.com</u> or 217-473-7874. What a great way to

earn service hours!

We are fortunate to have Kelci Capps and Denise Nichols service as the Family Fun Festival Co-Chairs again this year. However, we are looking for 2 interested individuals to shadow them this year in order to serve as Co-Chairs for the 2025 Family Fun Festival. If interested or would like to more information, please contact Kelci at 217-320-2666 or Denise at 217-719-9025.

The 2024 Dreams campaign planning is underway! This is a great opportunity for service hours, a chance to meet new families and friends and you will be contributing to a successful campaign that benefits our kids and their school. Together, we can Dream, Believe and Achieve! If interested in joining this committee, please reach out to this year's chair, Lindsay English @ 217-371-1870 or <u>lindsayjackson42@gmail.com</u> for details.

We are looking for an Athletic Coordinator for Home Sporting Events. We appreciate Amy Dietrich's past efforts in supervising our home sporting events for many years. We are looking for someone to supervise softball, baseball, girls' basketball, boys' basketball, and volleyball. We know this is a large effort for one person, so we are hoping that we could find several individuals who would be interested in supervising a sporting event or two. This is a stipend position. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Pat Gibson at pgibson@oursaviourshamrocks.com by APRIL 15.

We are also looking for **coaching positions for SOFTBALL**, **SCHOLASTIC BOWL**, **AND SPEECH**. Please contact Pat Gibson at <u>pgibson@oursaviourshamrocks.com</u> if you are interested.

I hope each of you have a Blessed Easter filled with a wonderful day of celebrations.

With Shamrock Blessings!

Mrs. Stevie VanDeVelde

Dates to Remember:

March 29 – Good Friday – No School March 31 – Easter April 1 – April 5 – Easter Break April 8 – Return to School April 9 – Advisory Board – 6:15 pm April 12 – Spirit Wear Day April 16 – 8th grade Retreat April 17 – No JSD PM Bus April 22 – Our Saviour School Play Performance – 7:00 pm April 25 – Spelling Bee April 26 – No school April 28 – Youth Mass – 10:30 am Mass April 29 – No school – Faculty Retreat April 30 – Service hours for 2023-24 school year due

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