Saints + Scholars Press

Our Mission: Monroe Catholic Elementary Schools is a Christ-Centered, Catholic learning community committed to the academic excellence and spiritual development of every student.



News from Mr. Kubik

Join us for Mass

Mondays at St. Michael 8:15 for Kindergarten & 1st Grade Tuesday at St. John 8:15 for 2nd - 4th Grades

Auction Donations

We are currently soliciting donations for the Annual MCES Auction: Our Future's so bright we've got to wear shades!" If you would like to donate, please contact Alicia Marting at (734)241-6335 or amarting@monroecatholicschools.com.

Raffle Stuffing Party

Please join us in the St. Mary PLC for the Auction Raffle Stuffing Party on Sunday, January 22nd at 6:00. BYOB, snacks provided, and fun door prizes. Hope to see you there!

Congratulations!

Kindergartner, Kashton Leal, was the first student at MCES to earn a St. Thomas Aquinas Club Award! He was caught Mrs. Pulter helping a friend in need without being asked. I hope to be able to add many more certificates to the Aquinas Club boards in the future!

Report Cards

Report cards will be distributed to students on Wednesday, January 25th. Please sign and return the envelope.

Catholic Schools Week!

1/20/17

Each year, Catholic Schools across the country celebrate Catholic Schools Week during the last week of January. This year, it starts on Sunday, January 29th with our weekend masses at our three parishes. We celebrate as a community in the best way we know how- the Eucharist. The National Catholic Education Conference (NCEA) has made this year's theme: "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service." This theme highlights the fact that our schools are not all on their own, we are all part of a larger community that sets its sights on working together to grow in faith and knowledge, as well as providing service to others in need.

During the week of January 30-February 2, we have many exciting activities planned, including a canned goods drive to help the local St. Vincent de Paul food pantries, fun activities in school, our regular weekday masses, as well as a reminder of our theme for the year: Saints + Scholars. Students in all grades- PreK through 8th will be making their own Saints +

Scholars posters (like the teachers did for Move In Sunday in August) and they will be on display for you at our March 5th Open House.

Thank you for prioritizing Catholic education and supporting the mission of our school. I also want to say how grateful I am for our incredible teachers, pastors, support staff, families, School Advisory Committee, and everyone else who makes our school possible.



Ancora Imparo, Mr. Kubik

Auction Class Giving

A huge thank you to all those families who have already donated to the annual MCES auction. We are very grateful and know that your support is appreciated! If you haven't already donated, please consider doing so. A large part of the MCES budget relies on fundraising and the auction is our largest fundraiser to reach our \$180,000 fundraising goal. THANK YOU for your support!



Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run inspires girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. Trained and supportive volunteer coaches teach life skills to girls using

dynamic, conversation-based lessons and running games. Lesson topics include resisting peer-pressure, making healthy decisions, and contributing to the community. The program culminates with the girls being physically and emotionally prepared to complete a celebratory 5k (3.1 mile) event.

Registration is open for Girls on the Run! Our program at MCES is open to all $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$ grade girls and will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30pm - 6:00pm at St. John's beginning March 7^{th} through May 20th. All registered participants will receive a healthy snack at each lesson, along with a program t-shirt and water bottle, a parent guide book, Girls on the Run cinch sack, and entry into the incredible Girls on the Run 5k on Sunday, May 15^{th} .

Visit: http://www.girlsontherunsemi.org/ for information or to register through February 15th.

If you have questions, please email our volunteer coordinator, Karin Newsom at sisungk24@yahoo.com.

Celebrating the Epiphany

Each year, a tradition of "chalking" doors celebrates the arrival of the three kings to pay homage to Jesus. Each classroom at MCES was marked by the pastor of the campus with the simple phrase:

$$20 + C + M + B + 17$$

20 and 17 are the number of years since Christ was born. The "+" symbol is not only addition, but also representative of the Cross- the sign of our salvation. "C, M, and B" represent the traditional names of the three wise men: Balthasar of Arabia, Melchior of Persia, and Caspar of India.





Calendar Updates

1/22 Raffle ticket stuffing party, 6pm 1/25 No afternoon MPS buses. All shuttle buses and SMCC buses will run as normal.

1/25 Pick-up your Fruitraiser orders at our St. Michael Campus1/28 Family Hockey Night

1/30-2/3 Catholic Schools Week

2/3 \$2 to participate
Auction Jeans Day

2/3 4th Grade Spelling Bee 2/12 1st Holy Communion Parent/Child Meeting, 11:15 am

PLC 2/13 1st Holy Communion Parent/Child Meeting, 6:15 pm, PLC 2/17-2/20 No School

Visit

http://www.mcesmonroe.com/calendar.html for more details.

| MCES CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK "FILL THE FOOD PANTRY" - KICK OFF MON, JANUARY 30 TH – THURS, FEBRUARY 2 ND | | JANUARY 30 – FEBRUARY 3, 2017 THE MCES CLASS THAT BRINGS IN THE MOST FOOD WILL GET TO "MAKE A MESS" OF THEIR PRINCIPAL ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3 AT THE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY | |
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| Tuesday, January 31 | -Crazy Hat & Scarves day with normal uniform (St. Michael Gym Day) -CSW Games Assembly Games | -Crazy Hat & Scarves day with normal uniform (Removable for Mass and St. John Gym Day) -CSW Games Assembly Games | Comfy Cozy Day |
| Wednesday, February 1 | Favorite College top with jeans | Favorite College top with jeans | Favorite College top with jeans |
| Thursday, February 2 | -Pajama Day -Last Day of Food Pantry Collection | -Pajama Day -Last Day of Food Pantry Collection | -Crazy Hat & Scarves day with norm uniform (Removable for Mass) -Last Day of Food Pantry Collection |
| Friday, February 3 | -\$2 Auction Jeans Day -"Messy" Assembly | -\$2 Auction Jeans Day -"Messy" Assembly | -\$2 Auction Jeans Day -"Messy" Assembly -Teachers vs 8 th Grade Volleyball Ga |