

SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ SCHOOL NEWS

August/September 2020

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



August 24

Virtual Back to School Night
Grades 6-8

August 25

Virtual Back to School Night
Grades K-5

August 26

1st Day of school K-8th whose last names begin A-L

August 27

1st Day of school K-8th whose last names begin with M-Z

August 28

All students K-8th report to school
8:30 am – Mass for Opening of School

August 31

Preschool (5 day) 1st Day of School



September 7

No School – Labor Day

September 18

PTO Dress Down Pass Sale
Ends – Forms and Payments Due

September 22

7pm – Homeroom Parents Meeting – Room 103 (may be virtual)

A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Reagan

Dear SCLS families,

Welcome to the new 2020-2021 school year. I pray you all have had a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable summer. I am sure that you and your students are ready to return to school. This is going to be a year like no other, but I am confident that with all of us working together, we will make the best of it. We are truly blessed to have such an amazing faculty and staff who are very eager to return to teaching from their classrooms. The teachers and staff have been working diligently preparing for the return of our students. They have been painting their rooms, making space for social distancing, creating activities to engage students while maintaining social distancing, and training on various technology programs. The school has been working on creating schedules, policies, and procedures that will help to maintain social distancing, safety, and proper hygiene for all of our faculty, staff, and students.

One of our goals this year is to maintain a sense of community, faith, and engagement to the best of our abilities with the resources and capabilities that we are able to access throughout the school year. We know that we have already had to postpone the ice cream social but have not cancelled it as we are prayerful that the ice cream social along with many other events will still have the opportunity to take place.

This year our school theme is "Together in Christ". Since March of last year, we all, teachers, students, and families have had to maintain our distance from each other. While we will still maintain an element of distance, we will remain together in Christ through our prayers, partnerships, and goals for all of SCLS.

I also have my own methodology for getting us through this new school year. I call it the 3 P's. They are prayer, patience, and positivity. If we can all keep these 3 p's in our minds, we will get through this together in Christ. SCLS is thankful and blessed to have you entering this new school year with us whether you are in person, online, or both. We look forward to the excitement and challenges this year brings. We wish all of our families all the best during this school year that again be like no other one. Take care and God bless.

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Peace,
Jodi Reagan
Principal

Back to School Nights

Please join us in welcoming in the new school year at our Virtual Back-to-School Nights.
Grades 6 through 8 - Mon, August 24th
Grades K through 5 – Tues, August 25th

Back-to-School Nights provide great information for the start of this different new school year and an opportunity to meet your child's teachers. Please consider logging in to learn more about this school year and some of our upcoming activities we have tentatively planned.

PTO Ice Cream Social POSTPONED!!!!

The Ice Cream Social that was scheduled for August 21st from 6:00-8:00 pm has been **POSTPONED!**

Please stay tuned for a new date to be announced.



Newsletter Submissions: If you would like to submit information for the newsletter, please email information to d_mehalick@hotmail.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



September 28

Picture Day

September 30

NO SCHOOL – Teacher in Service Day

Happy Birthday!

August 10

Kelly Rogers

August 12

Andrea Flannery

August 27

Sister Kathryn Teresa Clemmer

September 3

Cheryl Bonifacino

September 10

Drew Lawler

September 23

Kathy James



A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Erin Henderson

Welcome back, SCLS Royals!

It's hard to believe we are finally heading back to school (after last year ended the way that it did), but here we are - ready to start what is sure to be a very unconventional year. Things are going to look a little different this year, but the PTO Board is committed to doing what we can to make this year as "normal" as possible, while realizing that flexibility is going to have to be the key!

As you may remember, there is no mandatory Fall Fundraiser this year. Any fundraising that the Board does this year will be voluntary, and we do hope you will consider participating when you can. We have Spirit Wear items available and are kicking off the year with the Dress Down Pass sale that we initiated last year - it was very popular, and we are hoping to get the same enthusiasm for it again this year! The flyer is attached in this newsletter. We are also working on a very special t-shirt sale to promote school unity during these challenging times... stay tuned for details soon as we finalize the design! Last year, PTO was pleased to be able to use our fundraising to purchase the new cafeteria tables, and this summer we used our funds to replace all the water fountains in the school. Your participation in our fundraising enables us to be able to make projects like these happen - which benefit ALL the SCLS students!

Unfortunately, we are going to have to postpone our Welcome Back Ice Cream Social until we can do it at a time that we can gather a larger group together. We are not going to cancel anything, but rather wait and find a better time when we can safely bring everyone together as a school community.

Parents, please be on the lookout for a link to sign up if you are interested in being a homeroom parent. Homeroom parents are going to be very important this year, and we need a lead and helper for each classroom, including Preschool. There may not be many volunteer opportunities - especially early in the year - this year, so don't miss a chance to volunteer where you can.

Finally, Katie, Danielle and I are happy to welcome Janell Maglowski to the Board. Janell has agreed to fill the position of treasurer that was vacated in the Spring, and we are excited to work with her!

We all know this school year is going to be a challenge, but we will do whatever we can as a Board to make the best of it for all the students at SCLS. We are all in this together!

Happy Back to School!

Erin Henderson

PTO Executive Board

Erin Henderson
President

Katie Sullivan
Vice President

Janell Maglowski
Treasurer

Danielle Harper
Secretary

Father James Lease
Pastor

Mrs. Jodi Reagan
Principal

PTO Fundraisers this year...

Welcome back to the 2020-2021 School Year! This year is certainly starting off differently than past years. There are so many changes this year including the PTO Fundraisers. Please read below to see what has changed:

1. Mandatory Fall Fundraiser: There will be no mandatory fall fundraiser this year
2. Giant A+ Rewards: Giant has cancelled this program starting this year
3. Box Tops for Education: approximately 95% online (scan your receipt-see details below)
4. Spirit Wear: Currently planning 2-3 Spirit Wear sales this year
5. R&K Sub Sale: Currently planning 2 sales this year (Fall and Spring)-Information for fall sale coming in October!
6. Restaurant and Retail Fundraisers: All tentatively on hold
7. Dress Down Passes: Sale is currently live! Please consider buying a pack for the school year and supporting PTO
8. T-shirt Sales: More info to come on SCLS 2020-2021 T-shirts

As you can see the PTO will have very limited fundraisers this year. We are hoping you can support the few we have in a BIG way. The first fundraisers of the year are Dress Down Passes and Sub Sale (coming in October) so please participate. It is these fundraisers that will fund a lot of activities and needed items for the school. Last year we were able to purchase all new tables for the cafeteria and this year we are funding replacing all the water fountains with new bottle refill stations!

Thank you to everyone who has participated and donated in the past.... we need you more now than ever!!!!

We now accept
Venmo!!!!
@sclspato

PTO Dress Down Passes!!!!

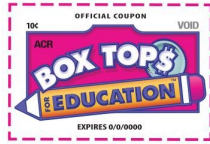
The PTO is selling a **9-pack** of Dress Down passes for the year ahead!

- Sale runs until **Friday September 18, 2020**

- Cost for one student is \$20 for 9 Dress Down passes. Second child cost is \$15, third child is \$10, fourth child is \$5 and fifth child is free (siblings only!)

PLEASE SEE THE FLYER AT THE END OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR MORE DETAILS!!!! DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY!!!!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION UPDATE



SEE THIS...
CLIP IT



SEE THIS...
SCAN YOUR RECEIPT

Welcome back to a new year of Box Top collecting! Over the summer, BTFE has announced their move to ELECTRONIC BOX TOP COLLECTIONS. In addition to clipping the familiar pink and yellow Box Tops on product packages, you can download the Box Top app to your mobile device and scan your receipts to get Box Top Credit for SCLS. More information will be sent home soon, but in the meantime, check out the new ways to earn money at BTFE.com. Register to get updates and news that will help us beat our goal of \$1000 in this school year!

HOT TIP: Walmart will credit our school with DOUBLE BOX TOPS for any Box Top products purchased at Walmart and scanned through the app. Please do your best to take advantage of this fantastic opportunity - offer ends 10/31/2019. Box Top products have a Box Top clip or Box Top scan image on the label.

Please contact KC Torta @ 724-272-7375 (call or text) if you have any questions!

Thanks so much to all who donated uniforms and helped with the Summer Used Uniform Sale! Stayed tuned for the Fall Used Uniform sale date.

Please note, uniforms may be turned in at any time during the school year for credit. Be sure to include a note in your bag with student name and a description of what items are in the bag and quantity.

For questions or to help with the next sale contact Kelly Rogers: krogers@sclhbg.org.



St. Catherine Laboure School Athletic Association Update

The SCLS Athletic Association would like to welcome all our students back to school.

For the most up to date information, please join our Facebook page: *SCLS Athletic Association*.



VOLUNTEER CLEARANCES

Saint Catherine Labouré Parish is very committed to ensuring that all of our volunteers who provide care, supervision, guidance or control, and have routine interaction with children, receive the proper training and clearances according to Harrisburg Diocesan Policy.

ALL volunteers at St. Catherine Laboure school require clearances, *prior* to any involvement with youth. If you are hoping to volunteer in any way this year, please take the time now to complete the process to obtain a youth protection badge. The PTO will not be able to allow any volunteers (if we reach a point where volunteers are allowed into the school building this year) at school functions if they do not have up to date current clearances.

If you are new and need to complete the process or you have had your clearances expire please visit the website below:

<https://sclhbg.org/parish/obtainyouthprotectionbadge/>

Please note that ALL forms must be reviewed and approved by the Harrisburg Diocese prior to an individual being granted a valid youth protection badge.

PTO Dress Down Pass Sale!

The PTO is selling a 9-pack of Dress Down passes for the year ahead!

- Sale runs until **Friday, September 18, 2020**
- For 9 Dress Down passes: the cost for one student is \$20, the second child cost is \$15, third child is \$10, fourth child is \$5 and fifth child is free (siblings only!)
- You will receive 9 passes in total, which can be used beginning Monday, September 21. Passes cannot be used on a mass day, on a field trip day or on any day a Dress Down Day is being offered as a school fundraiser (such as for mini-THON, dress down days for the missions, Royal Run day, etc.). Passes can be used all at once or spread out throughout the year (9 passes equals one for each month we are in school should you choose to use them that way)
 - Please follow the Dress Down guidelines in the Student Handbook (page 35)
- Mrs. Reagan reserves the right to announce at the end of a school day that passes cannot be used the following day
 - This is the ONLY PTO Dress Down opportunity available for the coming year!
- Teachers will have a list of students in their homeroom who bought the passes and will mark them off until all 9 are used
 - Cash or checks made payable to SCLS PTO, or pay via Venmo - @sclspto

Student Name: _____ Section: _____ \$20

Student Name: _____ Section: _____ \$15

Student Name: _____ Section: _____ \$10

Student Name: _____ Section: _____ \$5

Student Name: _____ Section: _____ FREE!

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Check Here: Cash _____ Check _____ Venmo _____

****Deadline to order is September 18, 2020!****

*****An instruction sheet that you can mark off when your child uses their passes will be sent home with the youngest student*****



SPIRIT WEAR

PTO is selling Spirit Wear items!

To order, please fill out and clip the bottom of this flyer and send it into the school office with cash or check (made out to SCLS PTO). You can also pay via Venmo - @sclspto. Quantities are limited - first come, first served!



Cinch Sack - \$10



Magnet - \$5



Water bottle - \$13



Beanie hat - \$15



Baseball hat - \$20



Lanyard - \$5

Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____

Please enter the quantity requested on the line

Baseball Hat: _____ (\$20 each) Beanie Hat: _____ (\$15 each)

Magnets: _____ (\$5 each) Cinch Sacks: _____ (\$10 each)

Water Bottles: _____ (\$13 each) Lanyard: _____ (\$5 each)

Total: \$ _____