

SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ SCHOOL NEWS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
REMINDER: DATES ARE SUBJECT
TO CHANGE



January 18
NO SCHOOL
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 21
Winter Coat Drive Ends

January 29
VIRTUAL LEARNING DAY
ALL STUDENTS

January 31-February 6
Celebrate Catholic Schools Week
Book Fair

February 2
5:30 pm Virtual Open House for
Prospective Families Grades 1st-
5th

February 3
5:30 pm Virtual Open House for
Prospective Families Grades 6th-
8th

February 5
8:30 Mass-Closing of Catholic
School Week

February 8
NO SCHOOL
Teacher In Service

February 13
First Penance

February 15
NO SCHOOL
President's Day

February 17
Ash Wednesday
8:30 Mass

February 26
VIRTUAL LEARNING DAY
ALL STUDENTS
Trimester Ends

January/February 2021

A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Reagan

Happy New Year St. Catherine Laboure Families,

I pray you all have had a wonderful start to the 2021 year. We are excited to be back to school and still in person. It is hard to believe we are halfway through this school year already. While the health and safety guidelines are still limiting our abilities to incorporate various activities and events, we are working to keep the school year as normal as possible within the building. Since the students did not get to celebrate their Christmas parties before the Christmas break, classes will plan to revisit their class celebration as we return to the building.

Upon our return, the students will be taking their second round of the Renaissance STAR testing. Then as we end the month of January and head into the month of February, we will celebrate our Catholic Schools Week. During this time, we plan to host our virtual open houses and continue with our enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year. February will also begin our season of Lent as well as end our 2nd trimester. Our goal is to make this second half of the school year as successful as the first half.

Thank you as always for your support and cooperation. We pray for everyone's health and safety as we embark on the year 2021.

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Peace,
Mrs. Jodi Reagan
Principal



AmazonSmile

Saint Catherine Laboure Parish and School are now part of Amazon Smile! Please visit smile.amazon.com and search for Saint Catherine Laboure Parish and School and make sure to select the one in Harrisburg, PA. All of your Amazon purchases will then benefit Saint Catherine's! Thanks so much for your support.

Amazon Teacher Wish Lists

Our teachers have put together wish lists for items needed in their classrooms. Follow the link below to find the wish lists or go to the PTO page on the school website. To order, simply go to the link order through your Amazon and follow the directions at the link below to have the items shipped directly to the school. Double bonus if you sign up to for Amazon Smile AND order from a wish list.

[SCLS Teacher Amazon Wish Lists – Saint Catherine Labouré Catholic School \(sclhbg.org\)](https://sclhbg.org)

Our teachers and staff THANK YOU for all the support!

**PTO Executive
Board**

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Principal

A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Erin Henderson

Happy New Year, SCLS Families!

The PTO Board hopes that everyone had a relaxing holiday, was able to mentally recharge over the break and is heading into the New Year healthy. The first half of this school year certainly presented challenges to our school community. We are hopeful that many of the things we had to put on hold will be able to be seen through in 2021. Time will tell what restrictions we will be facing in the coming months - but please know that the PTO Board is hopeful we can make some of our canceled events happen before the end of this school year.

Looking at the remainder of January and into February, we will do what we can to make Catholic Schools Week a special week for all our students as well as the teachers. CSW is sure to look different this year than it has in the past, but we will do our part to show both students and teachers how appreciated they are.

There is still time to donate used coats, hoodies, sweatshirts, blankets, hats, gloves and scarves to the Winter Coat Drive. Please consider dropping off any of these items by January 21.

Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Erin Henderson

**STAY TUNED FOR UPCOMING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
ACTIVITIES!!!!!!**

Watch Facebook and email for the finalized schedule of events.

Happy Birthday!

January 8 – Yvonne Jackson

January 11 – Kenny Kresge

January 27 – Tricia Healey

February 2 – Ashley Gipe

February 7 – Aimee Surgeoner

February 17 – Susan Slaybaugh

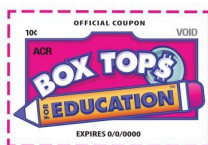
February 19 – Lori Breski

February 25 – Janell Maglowski

February 28 – Kathy Sperry
(Parish Office)



BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION UPDATE



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**SCAN
YOUR RECEIPT**

Welcome to 2021 and a New Year for Box Tops For Education! Check your app for the New Year bonus purchases (earn extra Box Top credits with your purchases!) and a GREAT sweepstakes that can win YOU \$50!! We can also WIN big with Box Top credits!

Pro Tip: You can scan receipts for friends and relatives who don't have the app. Just use YOUR app and - with their permission! - scan their receipts!

Please visit boxtops4education.com for a link to the app plus more information about special bonuses and prizes!

Any questions or problems? Contact KC Torta @ 724.272.7375 for help.

Fund for SCLS Update!

We are happy to report that we have raised **\$34,000 towards our \$55,000 goal** for the Fund for SCLS (our Annual Fund)! Thank you so much to all who have generously donated! These funds go to the school's operating budget and benefit all students! We have until June 30, 2021 to reach our goal - please consider donating! Here is the online link: https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/CmPOT01b90nvzen_AfmqrA

SCLS Athletic Association Update

The Diocese of Harrisburg has made the decision to cancel the 2020/21 CYO Basketball Season. We fully recognize that this news is disappointing. We want our young people to be able to play sports, and we know you do as well. At the same time, that desire needs to be balanced with our responsibility to take every reasonable precaution necessary in order to try to keep our youth, their families, coaches, referees and all who are involved in CYO basketball safe.

We have every expectation that we will be able to offer a vigorous 2021/22 season. Planning for this season is already taking place and we hope that your children will participate.



The Winter Coat Drive will be ending on 1/21/21. We had a considerable response, to the Coat Drive, and appreciate the thoughtfulness and generosity. The Knights of Columbus, again, provided a very generous and appreciated donation. Thank you to all who donated; many will be blessed with warmth this winter season.

Thank you,
Natalie Barbush



Please save the date for the next PTO Gently-Used Uniform Sale, **Sunday March 7**. Please note the time change: 8am-12pm. It will be held in the school cafeteria, entrance via the metal gym doors. Masks must be worn, and we will limit the number of shoppers. If you want to turn in uniforms for credit, please make sure they are clean and gently-used. Please include a summary of the items with your name, so that credit can be issued.

The credits offered for the uniform sale:

Ties: \$2	Shirts, long-sleeve and short-sleeve: \$3	Skorts: \$4
Skirts: \$4	Jumpers: \$4	Sweaters: \$4
Pants/walking shorts: \$4	Gym t-shirts: \$3	Gym shorts: \$3
Gym sweats: \$4	Kindergarten t-shirts and shorts: \$3	Kindergarten sweats: \$4

Price List for the uniform sale:

Ties/hair accessories: \$2	Short and long sleeve polos: \$6	Skorts: \$9
Boys' pants/shorts: \$7	Jumpers: \$9	Oxford shirts: \$6
Vests: \$6	Kindergarten sweatpants and sweatshirts: \$4	Sweaters: \$7
Gym t-shirts: \$3	Kindergarten t-shirts and shorts: \$3	Gym sweatpants: \$4

In order to receive credits, clothes must be in decent condition and able to be sold at the sale! We are hoping to create an online uniform request form that can be submitted by the Friday before the sale if you cannot make it to the sale on Sunday. Those orders will be picked starting at 10am the day of the sale, so that in-person shoppers have first dibs from 8am-10am. More details to follow!

Any questions please contact Kelly Rogers: krogers@sclhbg.org. Thanks!

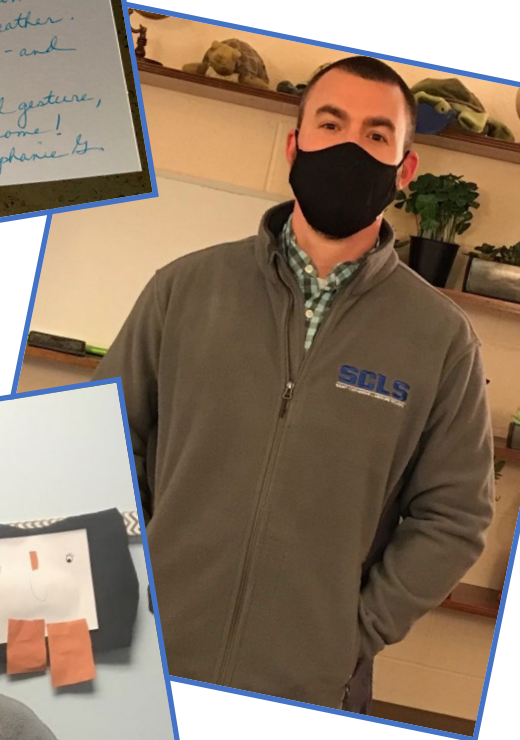
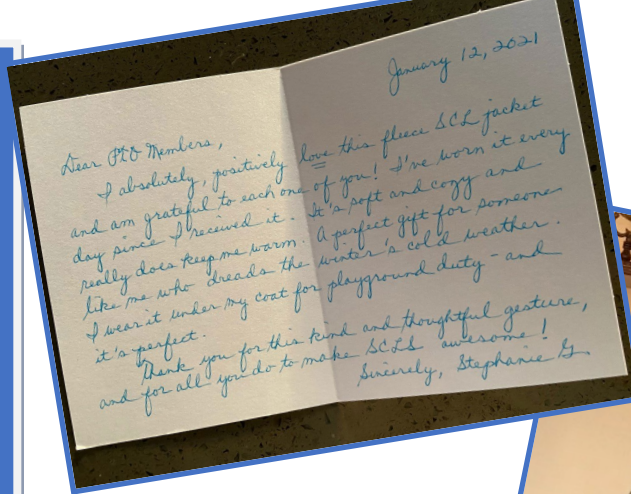
Thanks,
Kelly

PTO Monthly Teacher Appreciation

Since our teachers are doing so much each and every day to keep our students safe while getting their education the PTO decided to do monthly teacher appreciation treats.

In December, all of the faculty and staff were surprised with SWEET SCLS fleeces to keep them warm. These amazing gifts are made possible because of all the SCLS families supporting all the PTO fundraising events throughout the year

THANK YOU FACULTY AND STAFF
AT SCLS!!!!



A smile can hide
so many feelings.
Fear, sadness,
heartbreak...
But it also
shows one other
thing, strength.



GETTING TO KNOW OUR ST CATHERINE FAMILY

NAME: Stephanie Bader

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? 6L, Middle School Reading and Vocab

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? I grew up in Dauphin, PA

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? I lived in the Harrisburg area

My entire life except when I was in college in Notre Dame, IN and when I lived in Rome for a year and a half.

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? I am an '04 McDevitt Grad and an alum of St. Mary's College in Notre Dame, IN, Penn State, and the University of Scranton.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? This is my 10th year of teaching!

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? This is my 3rd year!

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Language Arts and Art

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? It is so hard to choose! I love the book *The Art of Racing in the Rain* and of course anything I read with my students.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? *The American President*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *Sleepless in Seattle*

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? French Fries!

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "Sometimes God will put a Goliath in your life for you to find the David within you."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I was in a commercial on Nickelodeon when I was little.



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NAME: Sue Spoljaric

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? Preschool 3's AM and Art

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? Harrisburg, PA

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? My whole life

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? Bishop McDevitt High School

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? 20 years

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? Going on my 9th

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Math

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? *The Mitten* by Jan Brett, *Bear Snores On* by Karma Wilson, *Fox in Socks* by Dr. Seuss

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? *The Little Mermaid*

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Mashed potatoes

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "Winning isn't everything it's the only thing." and "Shoot for the moon and if you miss at least you know you will lie among the stars."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I'm a huge Baltimore Orioles fan and have been on field for game day batting practice three times now!!! I had my own scrunchie business in high school and was featured in a teaching magazine for it.



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NAME: Melissa Connahey

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? PreK 4

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? New Jersey

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? 2 years in Dillsburg

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? Stockton University, NJ

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? 16 years

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? This is my 2nd full year

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? Science

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? The Giving Tree

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE? Dirty Dancing, You've Got Mail and Shop Around the Corner

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Avocados and mashed potatoes

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "Let Go and Let God."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I have chicken and goats. I can break dance!



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NAME: Jill Demmel

WHAT SECTION DO YOU TEACH? 2C

WHERE DID YOU GROW UP AT (CITY/STATE)? I grew up in Rutherford and moved to Hummelstown when I was in high school.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN HARRISBURG? I lived in Harrisburg for 15 years and have lived in Hummelstown for over 30 years.

WHAT IS YOUR ALMA MATER? I went to Hershey High School, West Virginia University (undergrad) and received my Master's Degree at Shippensburg University.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A TEACHER? 25 years

HOW LONG HAVE YOU TAUGHT AT ST CATHERINE LABOURE? This is my 5th school year

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN SCHOOL? In high school it was Literature and in college my favorite classes were Ancient Civilizations, West Virginia History and all of my Education classes.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK OR AUTHOR? Alex Cross books by James Patterson

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE TV SHOW? Criminal Minds and NCIS

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE FOOD? Italian food, mac and cheese and pizza

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE MOTIVATIONAL QUOTE? "Dream, Believe, Achieve."

WHAT IS ONE FUN FACT ABOUT YOU THAT THE STUDENTS AT ST CATHERINE WOULD ENJOY? I'm pretty boring....hmmmm....I have a boat and hope to one day buy a cabin at Raystown Lake.





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 - @sclsppt. 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: \$ _____