



Principal's Reminder

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Is the Earth mostly land or water?

Welcome to the St. Sebastian Regional Catholic School, where we form disciples of Jesus and strengthen the community of faith of our Church.

STREAM Project

Classroom Activities



2nd graders, Klayton and Hayden, just wanted to pair up together on a free few moments to read together from the Children's Bible.



Aliana was helping the second graders find out whether the earth is composed of mostly water or land. Each student had a turn at trying to catch the world in their hands. After tallying the trials, they discovered that their predictions

of water were right. These children do, metaphorically, hold the world in their hands.

Further 2nd grade investigation:



How can you get a snake to dance using only tissue paper and a balloon?



These students now understand the concept of static electricity, as the tissue paper (snake) reacts to the electrical potential energy charged to kinetic energy.

Weather Drawings Published



Brook Henderson, Grade 3



Vinny Horensky, Grade 3



Catholic Schools Week—planning in progress

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- Open House, Jan. 27, noon-2:00 pm



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Children will read a message in their respective churches, then bring a friend to Open House. Current students may re-register for next year. New students may sign-up. Student Council will serve as docents.

More Alumni Sporting Success--now Internationally!

- Jan 28—Catholic Schools Dance and Singing for Community
- Jan 29, 1:00 pm Vocations Mass and Talk
- Jan 30, 1:30 pm Priest from Philippines v Teachers in a Friendly game of basketball
- Jan 31, 1:30 pm Buddy Bingo—all grades
- Feb. 1, 10:15-12:00 Family Brunch and Rock Garden Painting



Shown laden in medals is Vinnie Nuzzo, who took 2nd overall and won his Division on the Parallel Bars! And, he did this in the Bahamas! Congratulations, Vinnie!



- Feb. 2—4:30 Mass at St. Sebastian
- Feb. 2—Family Fun Night, 6-9:00 pm, MPR



Please Welcome, Mrs. Meghan Stefanik, our new Keyboarding Teacher. She will teach K-6 keyboarding on Tuesdays this semester.

Peace Poster Winners



Tony Startare, Evelyn Viehl, Jacob Nobili-Palm, and Christian Scherer (absent from picture) were recognized at Thursday evening's Lions Club Banquet for their Peace Posters. Congratulations!

Clubs



Mondays—Girls Who Code—3:10-4:15 pm, Art Room.

Pick-up at Front Door.

Mondays—Student Council 3-3:30 pm, Rm K or 1; Pick-up at Front Door

Tuesdays—

- Robotics Club—3:00-4:00; Maker Space
- Basketball Practice—3:30-5:00 pm

Pick-Up at back door.

Wednesdays—Cheerleading Practice, 3-4:00pm

Pick-up at back door.

Thursdays—Yearbook, 3-4:00 pm, Rm 6

Pick-up at Front door.

- Basketball Practice—3:30-5:00 pm

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Community Service Projects



We're still making mats for the homeless from old plastic bags. Send yours to School.

Collecting Supplies for a School in the Dominican Republic



Please Send in:

- Erasers
- Pencils
- Crayons
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Deflated Soccer balls
- Socks for boys and girls ages 4-11 years old

by January 18, 2019.

They are being sent to Escuela La Palma in the Dominican Republic for elementary children in need.

Athletics



SSRCS Cheerleading Squad practices every Wednesday, from 3-4 pm under the

direction of Coach Kelly Calderone.

- **Co-Ed Basketball** (Coaches Petaccia, Stawovy, and Stockey)— **Practice** (every Tues/Thurs from 3:30-5:00 pm)

Next games: Congratulations on the past two consecutive wins!

Jan 12 – 10 am at BVAMS (home)

REMINDERS

- **Jan 14**—Girls Who Code, 3:15-4:15 pm; Student Council Officers after school
- **Jan 15**—Chess Club, 3-4:00 pm; Basketball Practice 3-5:00 pm
- **Jan 16**—Cheerleading Practice; 3-4:00 pm
- **Jan 17**—End of Semester 1; Yearbook, 3-4:00 pm; Basketball Practice; 3-5:00 pm
- **Jan 21**—No School; MLK
- **Jan 22**—Report Cards sent home; Robotics Club, 3-4:00 pm
- **Jan 22**—Pepperoni Roll orders/money due
- **Jan 27**—Open House, noon-2:00 pm
- **Jan 28**—Chorus singing/dancing for nursing home patients
- **Jan 29**—Vocations Mass, 1:00 pm
- **Jan 30**—Priests v Teachers basketball game
- **Jan 31**—Buddy Bingo
- **Feb 1**—Catholic Schools Brunch; 10:15 am
- **Feb 2**—Family Mass, 4:30 pm, St. Sebastian
- **Feb 2**—Family Fun Night, 6-9:00 pm, MPR

End of the 1st Semester: Jan 17th

All financial obligations must be met/current for report cards to be sent home Jan 22nd. This includes tuition, after school care, cafeteria, etc.

Cafeteria Accounts and PowerSchool

PowerSchool sends email notifications to any full or reduced pay accounts every Tuesday morning if you have a low or negative balance. You can check your cafeteria balance in



PowerSchool by clicking on the "Coin" icon. A low balance constitutes any amount between \$0.01 and \$5.00. To avoid these notifications, you can maintain a zero balance or any amount greater than \$5.00.

Menu Change

This Coming Week, please swap Tuesday and Thursday.

- Cheeseburgers on Tuesday and
- Chicken Bowls Thursday.

Tuition Reduction through Scrip (only)

Website: shopwithscrip.com for "Scrip Now!"
Mobile site myscripwallet.com to order e-gift cards sent straight to your phone.

SCRIP: Pick-Up—Orders filled weekly & delivered to the school office each Tuesday afternoon.

SCRIP Enrollment Code: 8847653L11569 or call Kate Horensky for help: 412.370.4730.

School & PTG Fundraising (Not Direct Tuition Reducing)

Where are your box tops?



If they are setting in a bag at home, please send them into school. They bring money and supplies to SSRCS.

Super Bowl Sunday Pepperoni Roll Fundraiser



(order form enclosed).
Orders and money due by Tuesday, January 22nd.

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Are You, Your Business or a Business you know paying > \$1,000 in PA State Taxes?



Did you know you could **redirect** that tax money to SSRCS for tuition assistance for families in need? Please contact Mrs. Michelle Watson for details.

THANK YOU's

- Thank you to the Duda & Gammon Families for the generous donation to the Escula la Palma!
- Mrs. Fran Lopresti for the Buddy Bingo snacks.
- Mr. Koury for fixing our HVAC, again.
- PTG for purchasing an AED; it will be installed in the MPR next week.
- Mrs. Fouch for sending in the Boxtops; we received \$313.80.
- Thank you to all of our cafeteria and recess volunteers. **We need more volunteers!**
- And all of you for choosing and sacrificing to send your children to SSRCS.



May We Offer Up Prayers of Gratitude or Honor Prayer Requests for Improved Health or Comfort? Just email me your request and our children will include you, your family, and/or friends in our morning prayers (nzetty@sssbv.org).

Please pray for:

For a speedy recovery for:

- Edyn's great uncle Vince, and Edyn's family as they pray through a recent diagnosis
- Autumn and Aiden's brother, Vaughn, for his upcoming surgery at Children's Hospital
- Hayden's Uncle Denny
- Fouch Family Friend Kaleigha, from her surgery at Children's Hospital



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- Ms. Samantha's brother-in-law, Mr. Bob Fine, from his recent surgery
- Fr. Bill Feeney, from his illness.
- Sister Grace Snyder, from her illness.
- Mr. Kotch, for God's blessings on his health in his retirement years
- Mr. Dennis Tubbs, from his surgery.
- Mr. McLaughlin, for a full recovery.
- Tony, Talia, and Lucia's grandmother for a full recovery from her heart attack.
- Amelia and Elliott's Aunt Dee, for a quick recovery from her illness.
- Ms. Donna Gilotty, for God's ongoing blessings
- Johnny, the BV Swim Club Coach, for his recent health issues.

And for:

- The soul of Mr. Russell's Grandfather, and his family as they celebrate his new life in heaven.
- The souls of Mr. Weasenforth's grandchildren, who passed away in the fire in Uniontown this past week.
- For the King Family, that has suffered many challenges, recently
- Dr. Marsteller, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, for her surgery
- Bishop Malesic for his ongoing recovery.
- Fr. Alvin, for his ongoing recovery
- Mimi Feehan's dog, JJ, who has a tumor on his elbow.

For

- This country and all who defend it or have given their lives defending it.
- This country for its acceptance of ALL people regardless of race, religion, gender, and/or socio-economic status, especially the cities and towns in which lives have been taken in tragedy.

- Union and Management disputes everywhere that they treat each other with respect and resolve their differences expediently.
- Those afflicted with substance abuse and addiction, as well as associated family depression. May we find a solution to this epidemic.
- St. Sebastian Regional Catholic School, that it continues to flourish and welcome new and current families into our family of faith and education.
- All those affected by devastating and destructive weather throughout the world.
- The special intentions you may have resting heavily on your hearts today.



We desperately need:
Cafeteria/Recess volunteers.
 Please contact Mrs. Fouch,
 724.929.5143, to offer even 1
 day (11am-12:30pm) a month.

FAQs

Does anyone know the three Angels who came to



Gaige Watson's aid at the Christmas performance?

Just email their names/addresses to me:
nzetty@sssbv.org

When do I register for next year?

Come to Open House and bring a friend. If the friend pays the \$60 registration fee (and doesn't already attend SSRCS) and is going into K-7, then your registration fee is free!



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Go to: www.sssbv.org and

Click the "**Register Now for Open House**" button at the bottom of the homepage.

Time to Register for the 2019-20 School Year at SSRCS

**Bring a friend to "Open House for Prospective Students"
Sunday, January 27, 2019, 12-2:00 pm**

Student Council will show new families around the school.

Students who attend and register for next year will receive a free homework pass!

If you have a new Family register a child in grades K-7 and pay the \$60 registration fee, your registration fee is FREE!

PTG will provide light refreshments, info on PTG, and Spirit Wear information.

**New RED uniform shirt order forms will be available.
Shared Uniform pants/skirts/jumpers also available.**

See you Sunday, January 27, 12-2:00 pm!

Will you or family members eat brunch with your child/grandchild/sibling and engage in a Family Activity on Family Brunch Day, Friday, February 1, 2019, 10:15 AM?

If so, please send in your registration/brunch order by Friday, January 25, 2019 (required to attend):

Menu: French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Hashbrowns, Fruit, & Beverages

Student(s) Last Name/Grade(s) _____

Name(s) of those attending: _____

Number of Adults _____ x \$3.50 (If you would prefer to bring your own, just enter "0")

SSRCS-age Children _____ x \$3.50 (or free if Free Lunch student)

Number of Toddlers _____ x \$1.50

Total Enclosed: \$ _____



St Sebastian Regional Catholic School

Family Fun Night 2019

Catholic Schools Week is quickly approaching! We have a fun week of activities ahead & as we always do, we will close Catholic Schools Week with our Family Fun Night celebration!

Gather under the Big Top for a night of fun!

Family Fun Night will be held Saturday, February 2nd 6-9pm here at St Sebastian Regional Catholic School!

The evening will begin by celebrating mass as a school family at the 4:30pm mass at St Sebastian Church. We will then go over to the school for our Family Fun Night celebration under the Big Top!

Our evening will include a buffet meal of boneless chicken breast, potatoes, mac and cheese, green beans, salad & fresh baked rolls, water, iced tea, lemonade, coffee & treats - followed by music, dancing, games, a photo booth & lots of fun!

And don't forget your cash for the Chinese Auction & 50/50!

Please return the RSVP for Family Fun Night on the following page by January 23rd

We hope to see you there to celebrate Catholic Schools – especially **OUR** school – and to make memories that will last a lifetime!





JOIN YOUR LOCAL RACE ORGANIZATION. JOIN THE FUN.

Join us for the 2019 Race Year! We are now signing up racers age 7-20 in each of our 3 divisions:

- Stock
- Super Stock
- Masters

For more information, contact Kelly Startare at kellystartare@yahoo.com.



2019 Race Day
Sunday, June 16, 2019

Father's Day
McKeesport, PA



2019 Meeting Schedule

January 10, 2019
February 14, 2019
March 14, 2019
April 11, 2019
May 9, 2019
June 13, 2019

All meetings start at 7:15 PM at the West Mifflin Fire Hall #3



www.soapboxderby.org/greater-pittsburgh



St. Sebastian Regional Catholic School Athletics



Attention: All 3-6th grade students interested in **girls volleyball** or
All 3-6th grade students interested in **co-ed soccer**

Application

- Submit the attached form (needs the physical date and signature from physician and recommendation from the Parish Priest) by January 28, 2019.

Registration Fees (paid to Diocese)

- Submit the \$75 fee for one sport and \$100 for both sports by January 28, 2019. (Some fundraising may be involved.)

Girls Volleyball begins March 2, 2019.

Co-ed Soccer begins April 6, 2019.



**DIOCESE OF GREENSBURG
CYO CONSENT FORM
(October, 2012)**

PARENT SECTION

ATHLETE'S NAME _____ BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) _____

SPORT _____ SCHOOL/PARISH _____

ADDRESS _____ ZIP _____ EMAIL _____

GRADE _____ AGE _____ HOME PHONE _____ CELL _____

PARISH REGISTRATION _____ CITY _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING _____

PARENT CONSENT:

My daughter/son has my permission to participate in the competitive sports in the Diocese of Greensburg CYO Programs with _____ . I do hereby release and forever discharge the above mentioned team, and/or parish/school/athletic association or their successors from any/all actions or suits in law or equity which I might hereafter have by reasons of injuries sustained by my child participating in sports or in transit to or from participation in sports. I also understand that it is my responsibility to determine my child's physical and mental readiness to participate in the diocese of Greensburg Youth Ministry Athletic Program for this season. By signing this form we agree to abide by the Handbook of Policies, Rules and Regulations of the Diocese of Greensburg, which has been distributed to each program.

PRINT NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____

PHYSICIAN SECTION

A physical examination of the athlete by a licensed physician must occur within one year of the athletic year (June 1 through May 31). The athlete will be ineligible to participate in diocesan sponsored athletics unless the following certification is executed:

I certify that on _____, I conducted a physical examination of _____ and I find, to a reasonable degree of medical certainty that the athlete is physically able to participate in the athletic program named above.

Signature of Licensed Physician _____ Date _____

Address of Physician _____ Phone _____

(Parent and Physician): Are there any physical or other restrictive limitation which the team, league, and diocese should be aware of which might restrict the athlete's participation in the program? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, specify: _____

ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE (if attending Catholic school) _____

PASTOR/PAROCHIAL VICAR SIGNATURE _____

(if parishioner, must validate participation in CCD program)

INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED TO THE COACH. THE ATHLETE WILL BE INELIGIBLE UNTIL THE FORM IS RECEIVED COMPLETED.



Pepperoni Roll Fundraiser

Looking for a snack for your Super Bowl party?

Support the PTG in their latest fundraiser!

Pepperoni rolls –\$2 each - made fresh daily!

Enjoy some now & throw some in the freezer for later!

Orders & money due on or before Tuesday, January 22nd



Order pick up after noon dismissal on **Friday, February 1st**



