



St. Francis Wolf Post

December 11, 2023

Announcements

Christmas Program

Dec. 14th at 6:00pm in the school gymnasium. Students are asked to report to their classrooms at 5:30pm. **Students are invited to wear their best clothes to the Christmas Program.** Please see Mrs. Neary's attached letter for more details.

Holiday Food Drive

Nov. 29th - Dec. 15th. your contribution can make the difference in the lives of a needy family this holiday season! Please see attached flyer for grade contributions. Thank you for your generosity!

Faculty & Staff Christmas Gift Program

Make a donation to the Christmas Gift Fund for our faculty and staff, LAST day for donations is Dec. 11th, please see attached flyer for more info.

Christmas Spirit Week

Monday - Mix it Up Monday

Tuesday - Tinsel Tuesday

Wednesday - Watch-It Wednesday

Thursday - Throwback Thursday

Friday - PJ Friday

Please see attached flyer for all the details.

Principal Newsletter: Was sent out this afternoon, please read through it.

Free Dress Pass & Water

Bottle Pickup: A booth will be set up for you to pick up free dress passes & water bottles that have been purchased through the Auction fundraising on **Thursday, Dec. 14th during the Christmas Program.** If you prefer to pick up in the office, they will be available for pick up on Friday, Dec. 15.

Christmas Ornaments:

Will be distributed to students to take home by Friday, Dec. 15th. Please be on the look out.

Come Support Mrs.

Neary: She is the lead singer with Fifth Sunday, she will be singing at The Grotto on Dec. 18th at 6:00pm. See Flyer for more details.

Mass: Wednesday, December 13th at **1:00pm.** Hosted by 4th Grade, virtue awards to follow.

Dec. 13th - **NO Aftercare,** Staff Christmas Party

Dec. 14th - **Aftercare CLOSSES at 4:30pm,** Christmas Program

Dec. 14th - Christmas Program **@ 6:00pm,** students need to report to their classrooms **@ 5:30pm.**

Dec. 15th - Noon Dismissal - **NO Aftercare**

Dec. 18th - Jan 1st - Christmas Break

Jan. 2nd - Return to School

St. Francis Second Stage Productions - Finding

Nemo: Drama program is back for all 5th - 8th graders, flyer attached with all the details.



Thank You to our PSO and Jog-A-Thon for the new staff refrigerators.



ST. FRANCIS FACULTY & STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM

The Christmas season is fast approaching and, in an effort to show the Faculty and Staff of St. Francis Catholic School our appreciation and gratitude, the School Advisory Council (SAC) and Parent Service Organization (PSO) are organizing a yearly Christmas Gift Program.

It can be difficult to decide what to get each teacher and staff member for Christmas! The SAC & PSO Boards are offering the Christmas Gift Program as a way to honor our fabulous teachers and staff members while taking some shopping stress out of your life. The monies collected will be distributed to ALL Faculty and Staff members. The teachers, faculty, and staff greatly appreciated this last year.

To Make a Donation to the Christmas Gift Fund:

1. Decide how much you wish to give.
2. Click link for electronic contribution - **[Click Link Here](#)**
3. Or Make your check payable to "St. Francis Catholic School". Cash is also acceptable.
4. Place the check or cash in a sealed envelope labeled "SAC Christmas Gift Program"
5. **Return the envelope to the school office by Monday, December 11, 2023.**
6. The Christmas party for the teachers will be on Wednesday, December 13, 2023.

That's all you have to do! We will take care of the rest!

SAC will present their cash gift to the Faculty and Staff members on December 13th. Your donation is greatly appreciated by our Faculty and Staff and will help spread some Christmas cheer!

Thank you in advance for your generous contribution to our Faculty and Staff Christmas Gift Program. We are hopeful that you will help make this year's Christmas Gift Program a success

Sincerely,

**School Advisory Council &
Parent Service Organization**






PSO Corner

The PSO wishes all of the wonderful teachers, staff, students and families a very blessed and safe Christmas Break. Merry Christmas!

Fundraising: Want to help raise some funds for PSO? Do you shop at Fred Meyer? Make sure you have St. Francis selected for the community rewards in the left menu bar, enter in 'St. Francis School.' Every time you shop at Fred Meyer, they will donate a portion of your bill to St. Francis. It's that easy!!!

Upcoming PSO Events:

Wed, Dec. 13th - Dine Out Night at Chipotle from 5-9pm at the Sherwood Location Only. See attached flyer. Please remember, if you use the Chipotle App then use the code **24WJ84M** to have the purchase credited for this fundraiser.





A letter from Mrs. Neary

Dear Parents,

The Christmas Program is right around the corner and the students and I are so excited to share the songs they have learned with you! Here are some ways that you can help this year's performance be a success.

Our program will be **in the school gym on Thursday, December 14 at 6:00 PM**. It will be about an hour long. On the night of the 14th, please deliver your student/s to their classroom/s at 5:30 P.M. Please make sure that they have eaten dinner or had a snack before the program.

Students are invited to wear their best clothes to the Christmas Program. I ask that all **boys wear nice slacks and a button up shirt or polo (tucked in)**. If boys have a tie or jacket, they are encouraged to wear them as well. No jeans, please. **Ladies are asked to wear skirts, dresses, or nice pants.** No jeans or heels, please. If girls choose to wear a skirt or dress, hems may not be more than three inches above the knee. Please sure straps are at least two inches wide and be mindful to not wear tight clothes. All St. Francis Dress Code rules apply. Thank you for your support in making sure our students are dressed for a successful performance!


Students will walk back to their classrooms at the end of the performance where you can pick up your child/ren.

This year we are holding a food drive and ask that audience members bring non perishable items to donate to people in need this Christmas season. There will be a collection bin outside the entrance to the gym.

Because performing is one of our National Music Standards, I grade students for their participation in the program. However, I understand that this is a very busy time of year for everyone so if your student can not perform, please let me know. I have a make-up assignment available for anyone who cannot attend so they can receive full credit.

Thank you so much for all of your help to make the Christmas Program a success!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Neary



DO GOOD WITH CHIPOTLE



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13TH | 5-9PM
21332 SW LANGER FARMS PKWY, STE 118, SHERWOOD,
OR, 97140

ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP USING CODE **24WJ84M**
OR SHOW THIS FLYER IN RESTAURANT



For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE



Every year St. Francis School contributes to the parish's food boxes. **Your contribution can make the difference in the lives of a needy family this holiday season!**

Please send your donation to school between **Nov. 29 - Dec. 15th** as follows:

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| Pre-K | a case of canned fruit |
| K | brownie mix |
| 1st | a case of canned green beans |
| 2nd | a case of canned corn |
| 3rd | brown and/or white sugar |
| 4th | vegetable oil |
| 5th | multiple bags of pasta |
| 6th | peanut butter |
| 7th | boxes or bags of stuffing mix |
| 8th | boxes of cake mixes and frosting |

The best prices for buying food in quantity are found at Winco, Grocery Outlet, Costco, or Walmart

Thank you for your generosity!

FIFTH SUNDAY

PRESENTS



AN

ADVENT CONCERT

Festival of the Lights

Adults \$14

Children \$6

✉ fifthsundaysings@gmail.com

MONDAY, DEC. 18TH

6:00 P.M.

The Grotto

8840 NE Skidmore St.

Portland, OR 97220

ST. FRANCIS SECOND STAGE 23-24' PRODUCTION



CALLING ALL 5TH - 8TH GRADERS!

INFORMATION MEETING:

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

AUDITIONS:

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

REHEARSALS:

START TUESDAY, APRIL 2 AND ARE EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

3:15-5:15 PM

PERFORMANCES:

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 - 3:30 - 5:30 PM (DRESS REHEARSAL)

THURSDAY, MAY 30 - 7:00 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 31 - 1:00 PM

FRIDAY, MAY 31 - 7:00 PM



Sign Up
NOW UNTIL MARCH 10

CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP



*COST OF PARTICIPATION VARIES ON TICKET SALES - REMAINING COST OF PRODUCTION AFTER TICKET SALES WILL BE DIVIDED AMONG PARTICIPATING FAMILIES.




Volunteer Opportunities

- Auction - Many options - committee or various jobs
- Lunch Room Monitor
- Recess Monitor - Morning (Elementary) or Lunch
- Classroom Help - Check with teacher
- Hot Lunch - Set-up or serving
- PSO Events - Back to School Social (September), Mother/Son Social (Winter), Father/Daughter Dance (Spring), Fun Run (Spring)
- Art Literacy - Each class
- Library - Library Days or End of School Clean-Up and Cataloging (June)
- CYO Sports - Coaching or Site Monitoring
- Field Trips - Check with teacher
- Room Parents - Each class
- 8th Grade Graduation Reception - June (After Graduation)
- Spring Campus Clean-Up - After most have passed (Spring)

REMINDER: You need to be **CASE Trained** and have a **current background check** to work with students.

Please contact Kristina Cruse at the front desk with any questions or if you would like to see if an opportunity is available. (503)625-0497 or kcruse@sfsherwood.org.





Recycle Your Refundable Cans & Bottle at St. Francis

Our Student Council members have been busy labeling dozens of blue recycle bags to continue this fundraising campaign! If you need additional bags, please have your child pick one up from their teacher or the office. You may drop off filled bags at your local Bottle Drop Facility or bring them to the school. No single bag should weigh more than 20 lbs. Only those bottles labeled for Oregon deposit are accepted. All proceeds generated from this fundraiser will go toward PSO funds. Thank you for your support!

Facebook

We have created a Facebook page, it can be found under the name:

St. Francis Catholic School - Sherwood. This for you to access updates and to give us a *LIKE*.

Parish News

Registration Open for **A Visit with Santa!**

We would like to invite all our K-6 children to a A Visit with Santa! Come join us here at St. Francis for some Christmas joy, games, treats and a visit from a very special someone! A Visit with Santa will be held on Sunday, December 17th from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. For more information or to help volunteer for this event, please contact Ruby Mixdorf at ruby.mixdorf@gmail.com. To Star registering now, feel free to scan the QR code below or go to visit our parish website.



A Visit with Santa
2023 QR Code.



St. Francis Catholic School's 2023-2024 Calendar

December

**Wednesday, December 13 - PSO Hosted Staff/Teacher Luncheon-
No Extended Care**

Wednesday, December 13 - Chipotle Dine-Out Fundraiser

Thursday, December 14 - Christmas Program

Friday, December 15 - Middle School Choir Christmas Caroling in
Downtown Sherwood

**Friday, December 15 - PJ Day, Christmas Class Parties- Noon
Dismissal**

December 18 - January 1 - Christmas Break- No School

Wednesday, December 20 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

January

Tuesday, January 2 - Return to School

Saturday, January 6 - St. Francis Family Winterhawks Game

January 9 -January 19 - Winter Star Testing

Friday, January 12 - Noon Dismissal, Archdiocese In-service

Monday, January 15 - No School, MLK Observance

January 15 - January 19 - Cultural Week

Wednesday, January 17 - SAC Meeting @ 6pm

Thursday, January 25 - Internet Safety Class, 6th-8th grades

Friday, January 26 - 2nd Tri Progress Reports on School Speak

Sunday, January 28 - School Mass @ 10:30am - Kickoff to Catholic
Schools week

Sunday, January 28 - Open House

**January 28 - February 1 - Catholic Schools Week-look at School
Speak calendar for activities**





February

Friday, February 2 - No School, Faith Formation Inservice

Monday, February 19 - No School, President's Day

Tuesday, February 20 - No School, Curriculum Inservice

Wednesday, February 21 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

March

Friday, March 1 - End of 2nd Trimester

Saturday, March 2 - 21st Annual Gala and Auction

Friday, March 8 - Noon Dismissal, Professional Learning Committees

Friday, March 8 - 2nd Trimester Report Cards on School Speak

Wednesday, March 20 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

March 25 - 29 - Spring Break- No School

April

Monday, April 1 - No School - Easter Monday

April 1 - 12 - Spring STAR Testing Window

Friday, April 12 - Noon Dismissal, Archdiocese Inservice

Wednesday, April 17 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

Monday, April 22 - 8th Grade Graduation Photos

May

Friday, May 10 - Noon Dismissal, Progress Reports

Wednesday, May 15 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

Thursday, May 16 - Spring Concert

Friday, May 17 - 3rd Tri Progress Reports on School Speak

Monday, May 27 - No School, Memorial Day





June

Sunday, June 2 - School Mass @ 10:30am

June 3 - 5 - Camp Gray, 6th Grade

June 5 - 7 - Camp Hancock, 7th Grade

Friday, June 14 - Last Day of School- Noon dismissal

Friday, June 14 - End of 3rd Trimester

Wednesday, June 19 - SAC Meeting @ 6:00pm

Friday, June 28 - 3rd Trimester Report Cards mailed home

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