



March 7th , 2019

Principal's News

Dear St. Raphael Families,

We are off to a great 3rd Trimester for the school year. Just a reminder that Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 14th from 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM. I look forward to meeting you.

Students are bringing home boxes to be filled with extra change that family and friends might have available to donate to Rice Bowl. Please support our student's effort in raising these funds for this very important cause.

It is also important that students be in school every day. It is understandable if a student is ill or there is a family emergency and/or other important extenuating circumstances. Please communicate this to the front office first and we can then pass the information along to the teacher. I ask parents to schedule family celebrations on weekends or during the school breaks. By missing school students miss a great deal of information and have to catch up. Students are also required to be in school a specific number of days and some circumstances may not be counted as excused absences. I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

I want to remind parents of the importance of getting your children to school on time each day and thank parents for being so responsive to my reminder call this week. It is important for the start of the student's day to be on time. They are not rushed and can be organized as they start their school day. It just sets them up to have a good day from the very beginning.

Blessings,
Cheryl Aviña
Interim Principal

Pope's Lenten Message calls for conversion:

The path to Easter, therefore, demands that "we renew our faces and hearts as Christians through repentance, conversion and forgiveness"

Upcoming Events

- Fri. 3/8 - Spirit Wear Day
- Mon. 3/11 - Report cards going out
- Mon. 3/11 - Spelling Bee (12:05 in Marian Hall)
- Thurs. 3/14 - Optional conferences for Tri 2
- Mon. 3/25 - 3/29 - Spring break
- Mon. 4/1 - Staff development day (No school)
- Tues. 4/2 - School resumes

Welcome to our new Administrative Assistant!

You are all familiar with her already but we want to congratulate **Wendy Sosa** for accepting the Administrative Assistant position as permanent full-time. Wendy is that pleasant voice on the other end when you call the school. She is responsible for the operations of the front office.

Thank you Wendy and congratulations!!

WE DID IT!

St. Raphael School raised \$10,048

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS RAFFLE

Catholic United Financial SINCE 2009

Every dollar we raised stays with our school!
Congratulations from sponsor Catholic United Financial

A BIG thank you to all those who participated in the Catholic United Financial raffle this year.

Donations for Education

Thank you for your participation in our February contest. We submitted 1,325 boxtops (\$132.50). That amount plus what was submitted before expiration dates in December will be received in April.

The coke codes received during this contest will be entered before March 31st to be included in the first quarter payment.

Please continue to save DFE items. Be on the lookout for our final contest of the year beginning in April.

Enrollment is now open for the 2019/20 school year!

St. Raphael's School is now accepting applications for enrollment. If you have any questions or would like to schedule an appointment for a tour of the school please call our school receptionist Wendy Sosa at 763-504-9450 ext 351 to set up an appointment.

It's that time again! **Tax time!** Our TADS tuition management system has an easy way of accessing your "Household Paid Tuition Tax Report". This report will detail what you have paid for tuition, aftercare, and fees in any given tax year. You can log into your TADS account, click on the Billing tab, and there is a link to the report on the right-hand side above your account listings. You can also access this report under the Billing Account page and by clicking on the word REPORTS on the blue bar in the middle of the screen.

Report Cards and Conferences

~**Report cards** will be handed out on **March 11th**.

~**Conferences** for Trimester 2 on **March 14th**

3pm - 6:30pm

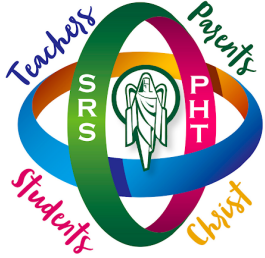
Grades 5th - 8th - conferences will be in the gym

Grades K - 4th - conferences must be scheduled with the teacher.

Lunch Accounts

We would appreciate it if you regularly check the lunch account for your student. There are 2 ways to pay; send check or cash to school in an envelope marked lunch account and the student can give it to the secretary, or you may go online to the parish website, click the online giving button on the top of the page, follow the instructions through Vanco and choose Lunch Program for payment activity option.

PHT News and Events



Save the Date for the SRS Gala!

May 10, 2019

6:00PM -10:00PM

Please start networking with alumni, your employer, friends, and family for live auction, raffle or basket donations and/or monetary donations for the event. This could include tickets, interactive classes, food items, games, sports equipment, toys, books, etc!

More details to come. We look forward to having a great night celebrating St. Raphael School with you!

Our Schwans Fundraiser is still going!

Schwan's will give 20% of your product purchase back to our campaign and you'll get great food for your friends and family! Support us by clicking the following link:

<https://www.schwans-cares.com/c/43143>

Spirit Wear Day with Donation

In the morning before school on Tuesday, February 5, there was a multi-car accident on Bass Lake road about a block away from school. In one of the vehicles, a sixth grade student from Sacred Heart School was on his way to school with his father and both of them were injured. The student was severely injured and unfortunately is still in a coma. The driver who hit them is uninsured and the medical bills are increasing. We will be having an **extra spirit day for a donation to this cause**. Students that bring in a donation may come out of uniform on **Monday, March 18**.

Here is the link if you would like more information on the Go Fund Me page.

https://www.gofundme.com/y3yxg6-brady039s-battle?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=fb_dn_cpgntopstickysmall_r

Mystery Artist

This month the mystery artist in the art room was Edward Hopper. The following students got the answer correct. See Mrs. S for your prize.

Look for the next mystery artist this week! I look forward to seeing your guesses.

5th grade~

Roman Peterson, Maia Lahr , Johan Finne

6th grade~

Tim Nguyen

7th grade~

Railey Gerlach

Spelling Bee

Congratulations to our Spelling Bee Finalists.

Grade 5 - **Roman Peterson**
Marcella Phillips

Grade 6 - **Jason Hirt**
Ariel Villa

Grade 7 - **Christopher Redden**
Railey Gerlach

Grade 8 - **Jeffrey Larimore**
Leylani Villa



We will have our school Spelling Bee On Monday, March 11th at 12:05 in Marian Hall.

Our top two finalists will then compete with other Catholic School students at St Helena's in Mpls. on March 19th.

