

## Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo January 5, 2024 Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Friday and Happy New Year! Let's pray 2024 brings blessings to all.

**Volunteers** - We still need recess and lunch volunteers. Sometimes our regulars have to be out and we are in desperate need of a list of backups. Please contact Ms. Nicole for more information. *Reminder... If you received tuition assistance this year, this is a great opportunity for you to meet your obligation for giving back to the school.* 

**Hot Lunch** - Ms. Nicole (in the front office) will be taking over the tracking of the hot lunch orders. For hot lunch order questions, please contact Ms. Nicole at nnealey@charlestondiocese.org.

**PTO Spirit Night** - Please join us on **Wednesday, 1/10,** at Panera in North Myrtle Beach for the next PTO sponsored Spirit Night. See attached flier for more information.

**Half Day** - There is a half day scheduled on **Friday**, **1/12.**, Dismissal is at noon and there is **no aftercare**. As we do on all half days, please form two lines for afternoon pick up to keep everyone off 8th Avenue N. Teachers will be attending an in-service professional development that afternoon, so please be on time for pick up.

**No School** - School will be closed on **Monday, 1/15**, in recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. day. School will resume on **Tuesday, 1/16**.

Forms due - Permission slips for 5th grade's trip to Seton and 4th/5th, and 3rd Grade Cheerleaders' only trip to the School Choice Rally, and hot lunch forms are all due on Wednesday, 1/17.

Catholic Schools Week Mass - All families are asked to join us for the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, 1/28, as we kick off Catholic Schools Week 2024. Students are asked to wear their MASS DAY UNIFORMS as they will be representing our school, as well as reading and singing at this Mass. We will sit together as a school community on the front left side facing the altar. Please plan to arrive by 9:45 AM to secure a seat. There will be an open house in the school immediately following the Mass. Please tell your friends and neighbors about this event as all those who enroll during Catholic Schools Week receive free registration for the 24-25 school year as do all families who refer new families.

**CSW Agenda of Events** - Please see below for daily activities planned for the 2024 Catholic Schools Week.

Sunday - Celebrating our Faith - Join us for the 10 AM Mass, followed by an open house.

Monday - Celebrating the Community - **Blood Drive - Schedule your appointment now and save a life!**Tuesday - Celebrating Students - Science Fair presentations w/alumni judges, Ice cream treat at lunch
Wednesday - Celebrating the Nation - Schoolwide Rosary for our Nation, Virtual Mass with the Bishop
Thursday - Celebrating Vocations - Visits with Deacon Richard and Sr. Marie, Open House at 3 PM
Friday - Celebrating Faculty, Staff, Volunteers, and Families - Join us for light breakfast at morning drop off

**Front Office Construction** - Please be aware that sometime "soon", construction will begin to create a vestibule area in the front office. This vestibule will add an additional level of security for our faculty, staff, and students. Once construction begins, all front office activity will take place from the multipurpose room where Ms. Nicole will be temporarily located. More information will be sent home soon about how this will impact the day-to-day business of the school. The work is estimated to take two weeks. We ask for your patience during this time as we continue our on-going efforts to ensure a safe and nurturing school environment for all.

Changes in the First and Third Grade Classrooms - Due to the loss of two classroom aides (for non-school related reasons), we have asked Mrs. Ondrina, one of our fabulous Catapult Classroom aides, to move from first grade to third grade for the remainder of this year. The leadership team, particularly Mrs. Carman, will back up Ms. Lewis in first grade. We expect learning to continue without any issues.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Holy Trinity Catholic School, a ministry of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish, offers to early childhood and elementary school students of diverse ethnic, economic, and religious backgrounds a superior academic program based on Gospel values. Within a family atmosphere, the school strives to develop the spiritual, academic, personal, creative, and physical growth of each student.

**VISION STATEMENT:** Holy Trinity Catholic School students will be fully prepared to transition to middle school possessing critical thinking skills, an ability to work independently as well as collaboratively, and an awareness of what it means to actively live the Gospel values.