



Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo

March 8, 2024

Don't forget to ROAR!

Happy Friday, Trinity Lions! Please note, I will be out of the building next Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (3/13-3/15) to attend the annual Diocesan Principals Retreat. I will have limited access to email, but Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Carman will be on site to ensure things run smoothly during my absence. I will do my best to answer all emails in a timely manner when I return to school on Monday, 3/18. Thank you for your support and partnership as we continue to move through these last two quarters of the 23-24 school year. Have a wonderful weekend.

Winter MAP Results - Please see the attached information regarding the results of our Winter MAP testing. We are very pleased with the growth our students are making this year.

Lenten Literacy Family Event - Due to the low number of families we have signed up, the Lenten Literacy event scheduled for after school on **Tuesday, 3/12**, has been canceled. We'll try again next year.

Field Trip - 4th Grade Landfill & Recycling Center field trip forms are due on **Tuesday, 3/12**.

Hot Lunch - All hot lunch forms are due by **Friday, 3/15**.

Used Uniform Store - The PTO will be opening the used uniform store from **7:45-8:15 AM** on **Friday, 3/15**. As we see our students getting taller, and pants and skirts getting shorter, this might be a great time to grab a few essential pieces to finish out this school year.

Stations of the Cross - Thank you to those who joined us for Stations of the Cross with Deacon Richard after the school Masses this Lenten season. There will be no Stations on Wednesday, 3/13, but we will have Stations presented by Laura Boronski in the multipurpose room on **Wednesday, 3/20** at **1:45 PM**. All are welcome to join us.

Outreach Project - Our annual Lenten Outreach project (cereal box dominoes) is off to a good start, but we could definitely use more boxes of cereal. Please feel free to send in as many as you would like between now and **Wednesday, 3/27**. The more boxes we collect, the better the final project and the more we have to donate to the OLSS Food Pantry.

24-25 School Year - All students currently in grades K4-4 will be automatically re-enrolled in March for the upcoming 24-25 school year unless an email is sent to me advising me that your child will not be returning.

If you are intending to seek tuition assistance for the 24-25 school year, please see the information below about grants and scholarships. All families seeking assistance **MUST** complete the financial aid application on FACTS and **MUST** apply for all applicable grants and/or scholarships.

There are several grant and scholarship opportunities this year and all are due back in March. Below is a listing and attached is the information.

- **Mary Gabelli Mazzolla Scholarship** - open to all families seeking tuition assistance
- **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Grant** - open to all Catholic families seeking tuition assistance
- **Educational Scholarship Trust Fund Grant** - open to all current K4 families going into Kindergarten in the fall and seeking tuition assistance
- **First Steps 4K Grant** - open to all families with students going into K4 who will be four-years-old on or before September 1 and seeking tuition assistance

Parents, We Need Your Help... As we move into the final months of this school year, below are some important things parents can help their students learn:

- their parents'/guardians' names (first and last)
- their parents'/guardians' phone numbers (with area code)
- their own address (street, town, and state)
- how to tie their shoes
- how to put on and secure their jackets (zippers, buttons, etc.)
- how to get out of the car (once in the unloading zone - see attached)

Reminder - *Please*, do not give us messages and items in the car line. Our focus during those times is the safety of our students as they come in and out of school and keeping the line moving so parents can get where they need to in a timely manner. Items can be dropped off at the front office and emails guarantee the messages are not forgotten by the time we get back inside. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Request - I have been asked to remind our families not to cut through the parking lot closest to the church during morning and afternoon car lines and not to park in front of the school office (except when picking up students from a club or sport). Thank you!

Save a call to the school and check the school Facebook page and/or our website's calendar for all the information you might need on daily happenings at HTCS - especially for choir, clubs, sports, dress down days, and special events. 😊 Thank you!

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Benefits of teaching virtues to your children:

1. **They will be more likely to make good choices.** When children have a strong foundation of virtues, they are more likely to make good choices at home, at school, and at play.
2. **They will be more likely to be happy and successful.** Virtues can help children to achieve their goals and to live a happy, fulfilling life.
3. **They will be more likely to contribute to society.** Virtuous people are more likely to be kind, compassionate, and helpful to others. They are also more likely to make a positive difference in the world.

For more information, check out: **[What are virtues and why are they important to teach our kids - Veras Virtues For Kids](#)**

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.*