



# Holy Trinity Catholic School

*A Ministry of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish*

## From the desk of Mrs. Luzzo: February 21, 2023

- **Family STREAM event** – Thank you to all those who attended our recent STREAM event. Hopefully, you learned a bit about the season of Lent and enjoyed the activities that were available to you. It is our goal to periodically host events like this where parents and students can partner together to enhance the learning experience and increase their faith.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Playcard Field Trip** – 5<sup>th</sup> graders will visit Playcard on **Thursday, 2/23**. Please see the recent e-mail or visit the school website for more information. Contact Mrs. Hines with any questions.
- **Lenten Social Outreach Project** – Please see the attached flyer with information about our next social outreach project (Cereal Box Dominoes) beginning on **Ash Wednesday, 2/22**.
- **Catholic Café** – Students who operate our in-house Catholic Café will be attending a field trip to Duck Donuts on **March 2**. Permission forms are due on **Friday, 2/24**. No late forms can be accepted.
- **Tuition and Grant Info for the 23-24 School Year** – ALL families (Catholic and non-Catholic) seeking tuition assistance MUST complete the online FACTS tuition aid application before **March 1**. Catholic families seeking tuition assistance must also complete the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Grant form that was sent home a few weeks ago. Completed forms should be returned to me prior to **March 1**.
- **Annual Fund Campaign** – Donation cards and envelopes went home to all families last week. If you need additional cards or envelopes, please let me know. If you would like to make monthly payments, you may elect to do so via FACTS. Just write the amount you would like drafted each month on the donation card and return it to me. Funds raised via the campaign will be used for projects around the school to enhance the learning experience and facility, as well as for tuition assistance for families in need. We are seeking 100% participation from all families and faculty. Please visit: [https://issuu.com/htcs/docs/htcs\\_21-22\\_annualreport](https://issuu.com/htcs/docs/htcs_21-22_annualreport) to view the annual report/annual fund campaign.
- **Attendance** – Please e-mail your child's teacher AND Mrs. Hines with all attendance related issues (absences, late arrivals, early dismissals). Ms. P works remotely most often and should only be e-mailed regarding bookkeeping-related issues (FACTS charges and credits, payments for activities, clubs, after care, lunch, and uniforms).
- **MAP** – Attached please find the results from our Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students' recent round of MAP assessments. We are so proud of their outstanding results!

**Catholic Faith Formation: Lent** - Lent is one of the five seasons of the Catholic liturgical calendar, along with Advent, Christmas, Easter, and Ordinary Time. It precedes Easter and is a solemn period centered on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. While Lent is often associated with the Catholic faith, many Christians—including Protestant and Orthodox—observe it. There is no better time to reconnect with or deepen one's faith than Lent. During this time, we can draw closer to God as we prepare for the joyous celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter.

**HTCS Mission:** *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.*

**HTCS Vision:** *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.*