SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Parish School
112 Saxer Avenue
Springfield, PA 19064-2333
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Office of the Principal

March 15, 2016

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful parade we had! Hopefully all of you got to stop by and get some goodies from the 8th grade. The Fish Fry was also a great success and the food was sure delicious!

Now for the coming attractions:

- ✓ **The Third Trimester began yesterday – can you believe it?**
- ✓ **Today there is no cooking class. The third one of this session will be on Tuesday, March 22nd after school.**
- ✓ **All re-registrations were due today, but if you forgot please send it in by Friday. We have a lot of people inquiring about our classes – throughout the grades – and we want to make sure we do not overcrowd a class. That risk is there if we do not know who is returning.**
- ✓ **All Hot Lunch forms are due tomorrow.**
- ✓ **SFA Penance service for Lent is here at St. Francis on Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm.**
- ✓ **On Thursday, we will have our dress rehearsal for the Living Stations. This will be the only time pictures will be allowed to be taken during the Living Stations. So I hope the parents of the 7th & 8th grades can come and take as many pictures as you want because no pictures can be taken on Friday or Sunday.**
- ✓ **On Friday, we will have the school performance of the Living Stations beginning at 12:30 pm. All are invited to attend this performance as well as Sunday night's.**
- ✓ **Also on Friday, you can pick up your Cinderella Cheesecake – enjoy!**
- ✓ **Sunday is Palm Sunday, the beginning of the holiest week in our Church calendar. Experiencing the Living Stations is a wonderful way to begin your observance of this week. The performance will begin at 7:00 pm and it lasts about one and a half hours. The students in grades 7 & 8 have been working very hard to present this spiritual experience just for you!**
- ✓ **Report cards will be distributed on Monday, March 21st.**
- ✓ **DRESS DOWN DAY – TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2016. See next page for reason!**

Have a wonderful fifth week of Lent!

Warmest regards,

Miss Farnell

PLEASE BE SURE TO READ THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM

KERRI CARR ABOUT THE

CAIDEN'S ANGELS BENEFIT

ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH

FROM 7:00 PM TO 11:00 PM.

THIS IS A VERY WORTHWHILE FUNDRAISER WHICH HELPS THE MAINLINE NICU FUND AS WELL AS PROVIDING A SCHOLARSHIP TO A ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL FAMILY!

PLEASE CONSIDER ATTENDING AND SUPPORTING ONE OF OUR OWN!

To help obtain items for the auctions, we will have a

DRESS DOWN DAY

On Tuesday, March 22, 2016.

Dear fellow St. Francis parents,

It's that time again, Caiden's Angels is getting ready for our next event! For those of you that don't know me, my name is Kerri Carr, my husband Chris and I have a son, Brady Carr in 1st grade and our daughter, Cassidy in Kindergarten. In August 2014 Chris and I were blessed with the birth of our triplets, Avery, Keira and Caiden. We were lucky that they were healthy and just needed a little time in the NICU to grow and learn to feed. Eventually we were all finally home together and learning to adjust to life as a family of 7. Then, Thanksgiving 2014 came and our lives were turned upside down, we tragically and unexpectedly lost our little Caiden at home.

After losing Caiden I couldn't help but think of all the good things Caiden was going to do in his lifetime and how that was all cut way too short. After some discussion with my husband and family we decided we wanted to start a non-profit charity in Caiden's name to do the good things he won't ever get to do. We are an official non-profit 501(c)(3) organization called Caiden's Angels!

The mission of Caiden's Angels is to help families that lose their baby with funeral costs or any costs associated with burying their child. We also offer to pay for grief counseling for families if they would like that. Caiden's Angels also makes and provides angel gowns, hats and blankets at no cost to the families to bury their baby in. A lot of the time, these premature babies are too small to fit in regular clothing so we provide gowns. They are custom made for each baby and gender; they resemble christening gowns. We use donated wedding, communion and christening gowns to recreate the angel gowns. Most parents do not save to pay for their child's funeral. As if losing your child isn't painful enough but then to worry about funeral costs can be unbearable. In addition to helping those families we would also like to be able to offer a scholarship in Caiden's name to a child at St. Francis. Chris and I won't ever be able to send Caiden to school but we would love to be able to help send someone else's child that needs it.

In the last year since the charity was started we were able to pay for 1 full funeral, flowers for another funeral, counseling for 1 family that wanted it, 4 angel gowns and 1 scholarship to St. Francis! These may not seem like the most impressive statistics but all this was paid for with the 1 event we ran last spring. We are hoping to make this year bigger and better than last year, which will allow us to help more families all around!

Caiden's Angels will be holding our next fund raising event on Saturday April 9th 2016 from 7-11pm at the Heritage Ballroom (Barnaby's) in Ridley. Tickets are $50 each, $85 per couple and $55 at the door. Tickets can be purchased on the website at www.caidensangels.org or from me directly. The ticket price will get you all you can eat roast beef, ziti, meatballs, rolls and salad. The price also includes; soda, beer, wine and liquor for 4 hours. There will be a DJ providing music all night, dancing, raffle baskets and 50/50 tickets. We hope that you consider joining us! If you have any further questions about the charity or if you are interested in making a donation, please feel free to contact me at kerri@caidensangels.org or 610-220-4374. Also for more information you can follow us on Facebook Caidens Angels and Twitter @CaidensAngels.

Thank you,

Kerri Carr

Caiden's Angels Spring Fling Benefit

Saturday April 9th 2016 7-11pm

The Heritage Ballroom
2107 MacDade Blvd.
Holmes, PA 19043

DJ & Dancing • 50/50's • Raffles • Food, Open Bar and much more

Tickets: $50 for a single or $85 per pair in advance or $55 at the door

All proceeds will benefit the Mainline Health NICU Fund which helps pay for babies' funeral costs and costs associated with burial. Money raised will also provide a scholarship to St. Francis of Assisi in Springfield PA in Caiden's name

For more information or sponsorship opportunities, in any kind please contact Kerri 610-220-4374 or kerri@caidensangels.org

ATTENTION!

PETE MELE,SR. 5K
COMING SOON!

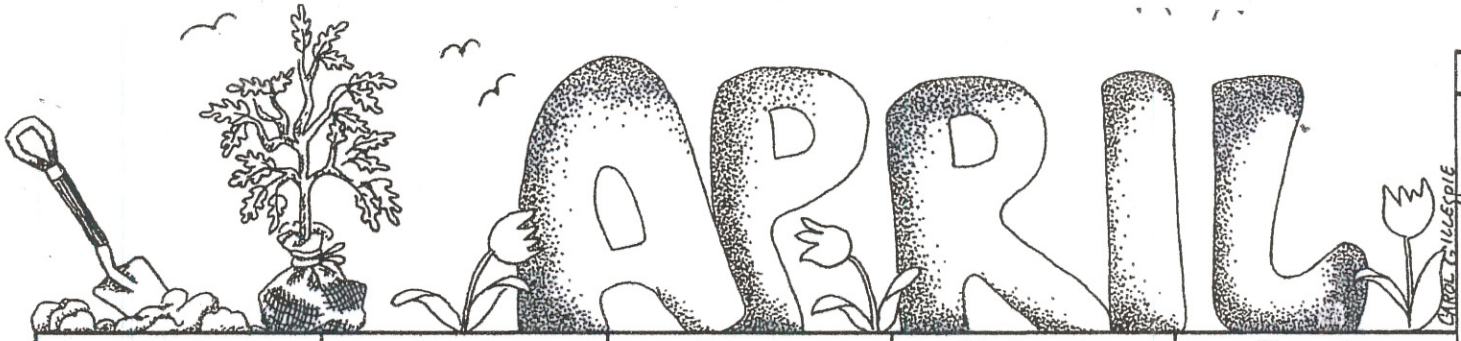
SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2016

All donations will go to the Springfield High School dance marathon FOR THE KIDS

Sign up at: http://ssdmftk.org/5k/

THANK YOU!

St. Francis of Assisi School – Springfield, PA 610-543-0546/610-543-5027 Emergency Codes: #462 (SFA) #526 – (Springfield)



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					April Fools Day 1 Liturgy 9:30AM	**2**
3 Divine Mercy Sunday	**4** Home & School Board mtg. 7pm Rm. 15 6th grade trip to Lankenau Hosp. 10:00 am	**5** Hot lunch forms in envelope – due back 4/20/16	**6**	**7** DRESS DOWN FOR Springfield H.S. Marathon 9:15 Dental exams Grades 1,3,7	**8**	**9** Caiden's Angels Social 7pm-11pm
10 Parish Mission	**11** Parish Mission 7 pm	**12** Parish Mission 7pm	**13** Parish Mission 7pm Girls in Grades 6,7,8 to Holy Cross	**14** Grade 7 High School Visitation Day	**15** SFA Players Dinner Theater 6:00 pm	**16**
17	**18**	**19**	**20** ALL HOT LUNCH & PIZZA FORMS DUE	**21**	**22**	**23** Parish Pilgrimage to Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.
24	**25**	**26** PreSchool Art Show 6:30 pm-8:00 pm	**27** GOD BLESS OUR DONNA AND JEN! WORLD'S BEST ADMIN. ASSTS.	**28**	**29** First Communion Practice & Retreat Handbag Bingo Progress Reports Kdg. To U.D.	**30** Anointing of the Sick Mass 11:00 am Loyalty Day ceremony 10:00 at Administration Bldg.

We are excited to offer our seventh summer of enrichment programs and camps for children. Registration is taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Every effort will be made to accommodate requested enrichment programs. Space in each module is limited and students will receive confirmation of their enrichment programs prior to June 10. This confirmation will also include full camp details. Families will be contacted if a program is full or canceled and they will be given the chance to choose another program or week. No refunds can be made once a student is accepted into a module and no deductions will be made for late arrivals, early departures, withdrawal, or absences due to illness or vacation; so, please make selections carefully. If a family registers for more than three summer enrichment sessions, they can take advantage of a 10% family discount. Please apply that discount prior to remitting payment.

Morning Sessions: 9:00 am—noon

Afternoon Sessions: 1:00 pm—4:00pm

Please pack a lunch if you are a full day camper. ½ day campers, you are welcome to stay for the lunch hour (AM campers), or arrive early for the lunch hour (PM campers) for an additional $5.00/day. The lunch hour is 12:00-1:00.

**PEANUT FREE CAMP

Join us as we celebrate our 7th summer of programs for children age 3 through fifth grade!

Check out all of the fun opportunities for summer enrichment—arts, athletics, academics, crafts, imagination and more!

St. Pius Summer Programs are held in our air-conditioned Kelly Center located at 204 S. Lawrence Road in Broomall. All programs are open to our entire community. Questions should be directed to summer@spsbroomall.org

Week of June 20 AM

World of Wonder (PreK-K)
Making Masterpieces (3-6)
Environmental Exploration (1-3) Science Technology (3-6)
Gym Pass (PreK-2)
Sports of All Sorts (3-5)

Week of June 20 PM

Crafty Campers (K-5)
Road to Rio (K-5)
Magic Camp (PreK-2)

Week of June 27 AM

Phonics Strengthening (K-1) Glitz and Glam (1-3)
Fun and Fitness (4-6)
Digging Dinosaurs (PreK-2)
The Sports Academy (PreK-3)

Week of June 27 PM

Crafty Campers (K-5) Fun and Fitness (1-3) Holiday Happiness (PreK-2)

July 6-8 AM (3 days only due to holiday)

Building Blasters (1-4) Fun in the Sun (1-4) Animal Adventure (PreK-2)

July 6-8 PM

Gym Pass (PreK-2)
Sports of All Sorts (3-5)
Crafty Campers (K-5)

Week of July 11 AM

Super Hero Camp (PreK-2)
Princess Power (PreK-2) The Sports Academy (3-5)
Minion Madness (K-3) Study Skills & Test Taking Tips MWF ONLY (4-7)
The 3R's – Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic TU/TH ONLY (3-5)
Kids in the Kitchen (2-5)

Week of July 11 PM

Space Adventure (PreK-2) Finding Dory (K-2)
Crafty Campers (3-5)
Sports of All Sorts (3-5)

Week of July 25 AM

Musical Madness (1-4)
Ocean Explorers (PreK-2)
Sports of all Sorts (3-5)
Cake Creations (3-6)
Dancing Divas (PreK-2)

Week of July 25 PM

Camp Out (K-4)
Christmas in July (PreK-2)
Sports of All Sorts (3-5)

Program Offerings

Animal Adventures (PK-2): Learn about animals through crafts, stories and hands-on activities. ($100)

Building Blasters (1st-4th): Did you enjoy Lego Masters? We have expanded that camp to include creativity and imagination with use of Legos, blocks, play dough, and more. ($100)

Cake Creations (3rd-6th): Learn the basics of cake decoration and create your own masterpieces. ($120)

Camp Out (K-4th): Learn about camping and outdoor adventure. A final "camp out" is planned for the last day of class! ($100)

Christmas in July (PreK-2nd): It's the most wonderful time of the year! Beat the heat and celebrate Christmas in July! ($100)

Crafty Campers (3rd–5th): Get creative in this hands-on craft camp. ($100)

Dancing Divas (PK-2nd): Let your inner dancer come alive! Learn great dance moves and perform with a group. ($85)

Digging Dinosaurs (PreK-2nd): Paleontologists, learn about dinosaurs with puzzles, stories, crafts, and fun everyone will 'dig'! ($100)

Environmental Exploration (1st-3rd): Look at all facets of a garden and create a terrarium. Investigate the garden to find how the ecosystem members support each other. ($100)

Finding Dory (K-2nd): Everyone loves Dory, Nemo and the ocean! Oceanography is our focus through arts, crafts and science. ($100)

Fun & Fitness (1st-3rd/4th-6th): Come learn about exercise habits, and join in on activities such as basketball, tennis, baseball, and soccer, to get those muscles moving! ($85)

Fun in the Sun (1st-4th): Come out and exercise with yoga, aerobics, and dance, then focus on healthy eating and snacks, as well as meditation. ($100)

Glitz & Glam (1st-3rd): Calling on fashionistas to a camp full of crafts, glitter, and glam. ($100)

Gym Pass ((PreK-2nd): Enjoy a variety of different activities in the gym, while building teamwork and social skills. ($85)

Holiday Happiness (PreK-2nd): Each day will be spent celebrating a different holiday! ($100)

Kids in the Kitchen (2nd-5th): Come learn simple, but beneficial cooking and baking skills through use of food preparation. Prepare a mini cookbook! ($120)

Magic Camp (PreK-2nd): Learn magic and have tons of fun! ($100)

Making Masterpieces (3rd-6th): With guided instruction, students will recreate famous/popular paintings. ($120)

Minion Madness (K-3rd): Celebrate everything Minion through hands-on science and arts/crafts. ($100)

Musical Madness (1st-4th): Immerse yourself into the world of musicals enjoying song, dance, acting, and crafts. ($100)

Ocean Explorers (PreK-2nd): Dive into the program! Explore the oceans, learn about sea life and make some great crafts! ($100)

Phonics Strengthening (K-1st): Through manipu-latives and games, students will review vowels, digraphs, and welded sounds. They will be assessed in CORE skills that will demonstrate areas to be addressed. ($100)

Princess Power (PreK-2nd): Find your inner princess as we sing, watch movie clips, and make some fabulous crafts. End the week with a tea party! ($100)

Road to Rio (K-5th): The 2016 Summer Olympics are right around the corner. Get in the spirit by participating in track and field, basketball, soccer, hockey and other sports. Our week ends with our very own Olympic Games—complete with opening and closing ceremonies! ($85)

Science Technology (3rd-6th): 2 part program: Tech - Students will learn how to use Excel, Word, Google & Windows Moviemaker, as well as search engines for school projects. Science – learn the fundamentals of science through hands on activities and lab experiments. ($120)

Space Adventure (PK-2nd): Calling all Space Rangers! Let's make light sabers, and explore space through games, crafts, more! ($100)

The Sports Academy (PK-3rd) : Run by our softball and baseball instructors, students will focus on shaping the skill behind the sport. ($100)

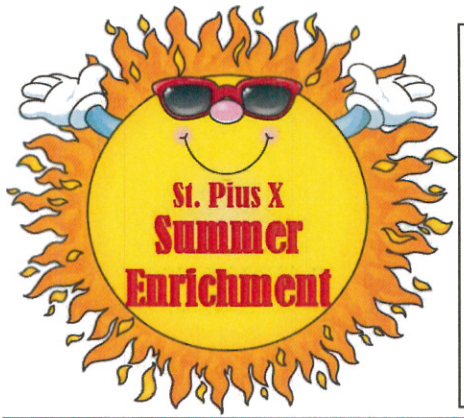
Sports of All Sorts (3rd-5th): Learn the basics of basketball, soccer, and baseball, as well as other physical education class activities. ($85)

Study Skills & Test Taking (4th-7th): Learn different strategies to help better prepare for a test, and tips to help take tests. ($70)

Super Hero Camp (PreK4-2nd): Participants work on their superhero skills in a fun, relaxed environment. Each day, celebrate a different super hero with crafts, games, and snacks in honor of him/her. ($100)

The 3R's (Reading. Writing, Arithmetic) (2nd-5th): Reinforce reading, writing, and math skills through games, practice, activities, and competitions. ($45)

World of Wonder (PreK-K): Explore the world of science with our wonderful preschool teachers! Focus on hands-on experiments with water, air, magnets, and more! ($120)



Summer 2016 Registration

Please refer to the course description brochure for full details. Please print clearly. All registrations are on a first-come, first-registered basis. Space in each module is limited and students will receive confirmation of their enrichment programs prior to June 10. This confirmation will also include full camp details. No refunds can be made once a student is accepted into a module and no deductions will be made for late arrivals, early departures, withdrawal, or absences due to illness or vacation; so, please make your selections carefully.

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Please make checks payable to the St. Pius X and return with registration forms to Summer Enrichment, c/o the school office or via mail to "St. Pius Summer Enrichment," 204 S. Lawrence Road, Broomall, PA 19008, as soon as possible. Direct questions to summer@spxbroomall.org.

Family Name: _____ **Parent/Guardian Names:** _____

Address: _____

Parent Phone Numbers during Camp Hours: _____ **Contact Email:** _____

Emergency Contact Name and Phone Number: _____

I hereby authorize the staff of St. Pius Summer Enrichment to act for me according to their best judgment in any emergency requiring medical attention and I hereby waive and release the Enrichment Program from any and all liability for any injuries or illness incurred while at the enrichment sessions. I have no knowledge of any physical impairment that would be affected by my child/ren's participation in the program, as outlined in the enrichment session description materials. I also understand the Enrichment program retains the right to use for publicity and advertising purposes, photographs and video of the participants taken during the Enrichment sessions. I also understand that the Enrichment staff reserve the right to dismiss any participant whose conduct is detrimental to the program and no refund will be issued.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please use the reverse side of this form to register additional children.
Child's Name: _____ **Birthdate:** _____ **Grade for 2016-17 school year:** _____

Special Notes (allergies, restrictions, etc.): _____

Program Registration:

Program Name:_____ Week: _____ ☐ AM session ☐ Lunch ☐ PM session Cost: _____

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Total: _____

Please use a separate section to register each child.

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Total: _____

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PARISH SCHOOL
RE-REGISTRATION
GRADES 1 - 8
2016-2017

The following children will be attending SFA for the 2016-2017 school year.

FAMILY NAME: _____

Child/Children's Name(s)	**Grade 2016-2017**
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please enclose a non-refundable re-registration fee of $100.00 per child. Make check payable to St. Francis of Assisi Parish and return this form and check to school by Tuesday, March 15, 2016 (sooner, if possible!) You must be current on your tuition payments.

If your child/ren will not be returning, please indicate below and return form to school.

_____**My children will not be returning to St. Francis in the '16-'17 school year. The school they will be attending is:**

_____

Reason for leaving:

_____

_____

_____
Signature of Parent/Guardian

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Go to **www.SummerSolutions.net**

Enter your school code: FRA19064

Choose the level that matches your child's current grade level.

Win an iPad Mini!

Order by May 10th and be entered in a drawing for one of three iPad minis.

One winner will be chosen in March, April, and May. **http://summersolutions.com/blog/ipad** for details.

Cardinal O'Hara Fair

April 27th – April 30th

Join us for a fun-filled week at the annual COH fair

Rides Games Food Prizes

Family Night

Pre-sale tickets $25.00 for 20 tickets

*these special tickets are 1 ticket per ride and never expire!

For tickets contact:

Jen Ryan: Jennifer.Power.Ryan@gmail.com

Danielle Donahue:

dani.donahue@yahoo.com

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Professional Development
Parent Education
Empowering Partnerships For Education

Thursday April 14, 2016
Delaware County Intermediate Unit
Marple Education Center
85 N. Malin Rd
Broomall, PA 19008
6:00-8:00 p.m.

Presenters: Laurie Newsome, Professional Development Specialist
and
Diane Perry, Eastern Region Parent Advisor PEAL (Parent Education and Advocacy Leadership) Center

Life After School
Accessing Resources and Supports After 21

This training will highlight the secondary transition planning process for students with disabilities and provide parents with information about accessing resources and supports after a student completes high school. Tools for vision planning and person-centered planning will be shared and explored.

To register for this session, contact Laurie Newsome 610-938-9000 ext. 2118 or send an email to lnewsome@dciu.org

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Professional Development
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Thursday April 14, 2016
Drexel Hill Middle School
3001 State Road
Drexel Hill, PA 19026
6:00-8:00 p.m.

Presenters: Chuck Gallagher, DOT, MA, OTR/L and Melaina Wilson, M.S., OTR/L

Sensory Processing: Empowering Parents and Families

This interactive workshop is designed to help parents and families understand what is happening with their child's sensory systems. Attendees will learn basic sensory processing principals and strategies through a framework that can help address challenging behaviors in various environments. The purpose of this workshop is empower parents and families with knowledge and practical ideas that can influence their child's overall self-regulation.

To register for this session, contact
Chuck Gallagher 484-4237-7000 ext 6546 cgallagher@dciu.org or
Melaina Wilson 610-938-9000 x6199 mwilson@dciu.org

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