

## Newsletter

March 9, 2018

- Mar 11 through 16 ACRE religion testing for grades 5 and 8
- Mar.12 Sacrament of Reconciliation for grade 2 , 1:00, St. Thomas Church
- Mar. 14 End of Marking Period
- Mar. 15 Dress Down Day for HSA
- Mar. 16 Dress Down and wear green for students who bring in a Blessing Bag
- Mar. 17 HSA Easter Egg Hunt for grades Prek through grade 5 10:00-11:30

### Marking Period

Due to the amount of snow days this marking period, the marking period has been extended to next Wednesday, Mar.14. Report cards for Kindergarten through grade eight will be sent home on Wednesday, Mar. 21.

### Delayed openings due to inclement weather

The Southington Public School system has the option of having a three hour delay. If we should have a three hour delay, we would not be providing hot lunch. Students would need to bring a lunch and a drink. Generally, we have a two hour delay, and on those days the hot lunch program runs as usual.

### Student Council Project

Please support the student council project, and fill a Blessing Bag for the homeless. This can be any size ziplock bag which you can fill with toiletries or anything you think a homeless person would need. Students who bring in a Blessing Bag may wear green and dress down on Friday, Mar.16 to celebrate St. Patrick 's Day.

### Dropping off and picking up students

Please park in the designated areas when dropping off or picking up students. The driveway in front of the school is only for buses and emergency vehicles.

Please do not drop off or pick up students in the driveway which is a traffic lane.

Please do not stop your car on a cross walk.

Only cars with a handicapped permit can park in the handicapped spaces.

### Our Scholastic Book Fair is Here!

Come, Sit, Read! It is time to dig up some" purrfect" new books at our **Paws for Books Book Fair**. Our Book Fair runs Monday through Friday March 12-16.

BONUS HOURS: Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup> you can shop during Pasta Fagioli in our cafeteria from 5PM-6PM. A delicious Lenten meal and a chance to purchase a good book makes a great family evening.

Sunday, March 11 volunteers will help you choose a favorite title after the 10:00 Mass.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED M-F to help at the Book Fair.

Please contact malexander@southingtoncatholicsschool

## H.S.A. Newsletter

**Help Wanted!** The HSA is looking for volunteers interested in Chairing our Movie/Potluck/Raffle Night. Additionally, we are also looking to see if any of our families have access to a Projector and Movie Screen for Movie Night. It would have to be a size capable of handling our school population. If you can assist with any of these needs, please email the HSA at [southingtoncatholichsa@gmail.com](mailto:southingtoncatholichsa@gmail.com).

**Pasta Fagioli** tonight! Stop by to relax and enjoy a delicious, warm bowl of Pasta Fagioli to support the event or volunteer to work in the kitchen. This is another great way to get those Commitment Hours done and have fun spending time with your SCS Family. Pasta Fagioli will run in the cafeteria Friday nights during Lent. The Committee is looking for help with dessert donations. Anyone able to contribute a dessert can drop it off at school on Fridays during Lent. Use the process below to sign up and join us in volunteering for this event.

We're using [SignUp.com](#) (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps.

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on [SignUp.com](#): <http://signup.com/go/gOVGcNL>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
- 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on [SignUp.com](#).

Note: [SignUp.com](#) does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Our annual **Raffle Fundraiser** is underway. To volunteer and assist with the Raffle, please use the sign up link instructions below.

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The **Butter Braid Fundraiser** ends today. The Butter Braids will be delivered to school and available for pick up on March 23rd from 2:00 to 5:30 pm. **If you purchase Butter Braids, please make sure to pick up your orders as we do not have storage capacity for you.**

Our next **Script** order date is March 19, 2018. Consider doing your spring holiday and birthday shopping with Script! A list of participating vendors can be found on our school website under the Parents Tab and then Script Retailers or by <http://southingtoncatholicschool.org/documents/hsa/128-scrip-retailers-1/file>. Please forward your orders to the office by this date.

Redecorate the Easter Eggs!

Look out for **Box Tops** Easter sheets in your child's backpack.

For every sheet of 10 Box Tops turned in, you will be entered into a drawing. There will be two lucky winners! PreK3-Grade 3 will be entered into a drawing to win an Easter basket full of goodies and Grade 4-Grade 8 will be entered to win a \$25 iTunes gift card.

The more sheets you turn in, the better your chances to win!

Attached is the Box Tops sheet if you need to make additional copies.

Good luck!

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions at [stephaniebenoit57@yahoo.com](mailto:stephaniebenoit57@yahoo.com).

Thank you to everyone who attended the **HSA Meeting** this past Tuesday. Commitment Hours will be awarded to those who attend the meeting. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 3, 2018.

Save the Date! Our Southington Catholic School **Golf Tournament** will be held on May 11, 2018 at Southington Country Club. Keep a look out for an email with registration information. For any questions regarding the golf tournament, contact Stephanie Benoit at [scsgolfcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:scsgolfcommittee@gmail.com). The golf committee will hold its first meeting on March 15th at 6 pm in the school library in efforts to plan SCS 3rd Annual Golf Classic.

Please consider joining us. This event also qualifies for Commitment Hours!

### **H.S.A. Meeting Minutes**

March 6, 2018

6:30 pm

SCS Cafe

**Attendees:** Mia Lombardi, Christina Murdzek, Emily Haggerty, Rodney and Sarah DeMerchant, Nicole Tornberg, Marcia Olivia-Da Costa, Kristina Zipadelli, Krista Simone, Barbara Doherty, Kate Verderame, Karen Blatchley, Stephani Benoit, Loretta Putala, Eileen Sampiere, Mary Alexander, Christina Anderson

### **Financial Update**

- Financial Highlights that were mentioned included
  - The Auction/Gala has raised \$26,703.00 of which \$3,800 will go to the Technology Initiative
  - Script has raised \$684.00 to date
  - Pasta Fagioli has raised \$214.00 to date
  - Dress Down has raised \$855.00 to date
  - Box Tops raised \$365.00 in the March Collection and \$1,200.00 to date - included in this is \$40.60 from registered Stop & Shop Cards

### **Box Tops**

- A product list of participating Box Top items will be distributed
- Funds raised are going to the Operating Account

- The next contest will be an Easter Basket for Preschool to 3rd Grade and iTunes Card for 4th-8th Grade. Easter Themed Box Top Collection Sheets for the contest will be distributed and those that complete them will be entered into the drawing which will occur on 3/29/18

### **Gala**

- Event was a huge success - feedback was extremely positive
- A playbook is being processed to build on this past year and continue to assist in ensuring the event remains a huge success in the future

### **Staff Involvement**

- No updates currently

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

- Jennifer Samselski has volunteered to Chair this event. Christina will connect with her on planning
- Thoughts for the event to be held on 3/17/18 include the egg hunt and refreshments - more to be discussed
- This will be a free event for families

### **Golf Tournament**

- Stephanie Benoit will again Chair this event
- First Meeting will be 3/15/18 in the School Library
- Volunteers are needed in advance of the event to assist with soliciting donations and raffle prizes
- Mary Alexander purchased Save-The-Date Cards
- Brochure will be updated soon and distributed
- Tournament Name will be finalized at the meeting next week to honor Joe Angelillo's generosity and commitment to the school

### **Movie Night/Potluck/Raffle Drawings**

- A Chair Person is needed for this event
- Permit has been acquired
- Raffle Drawing will happen at 5pm and the event will run 5:00-8:00pm in the School Cafe
- Research for a screen is being done for a projector and screen

### **Enrichment Ideas**

- Ideas are being considered. Bill Thompson was one suggestion.

### **May Luncheon/Staff Appreciation**

- This event will be held the week of May 6th but not on May 10th or 11th
- Some ideas were Granola Yogurt Bar Day, Candy Bar Day, Lunch Day
- Chairs are Amy Lane and Kristina Zipadelli

### **End of Year Picnic**

- It was decided we will again hold this event at Rec Park and rent the Pavillion
- Pizza Truck will be reserved
- Popsicles was suggested for dessert
- The event will be held the week of June 10th