



Northern Chautauqua Catholic School

Weekly School Memo

February 12, 2016

Memo to Parents/Guardians:

- 1.) No lunch provided on Tuesday 2/16 and Wednesday 2/17 due to Dunkirk's In-service Days. Students will not have the option of ordering lunch. Please make sure your child brings their lunch and drink those days!!
- 2.) Fridays during Lent: Please keep in mind that according to the law of abstinence, a Catholic 14 years of age until death is to abstain from eating meat on Fridays in honor of the Passion of Jesus on Good Friday. Even though the law of abstinence sets the age at 14, we strongly encourage everyone to abstain from eating meat, if possible.
- 3.) No School: Monday, February 15th in honor of Presidents' Day!
- 4.) Box Tops for Education will be sent in to the company on Tuesday, February 16th. Please send yours in to the office Tuesday morning if you would like them to count for this year's fundraising!
- 5.) The next out of uniform date will be: Tuesday, February 16th.
- 6.) February 20th, 4:30 – 7:00pm: the HSA is hosting an evening dinner held at the Blessed Mary Angela Parish, St. Hyacinth's Lyceum. Tickets are \$10 and include soup, sandwich, dessert and drinks. Tickets are available in the school office or at Big Rick's One Stop.
- 7.) Chess Club will meet Tuesday, February 16th until 3:45pm.
- 8.) Music and Movement will meet on February 24th until 3:30pm.
- 9.) Mission Club will meet again on Wednesday, February 17th until 3:15pm.
- 10.) Spring Pictures will be taken on Friday, February 26th. Students are able to dress out of uniform.
- 11.) Theme Baskets Needed – HSA is in need of theme baskets for the HSA Luncheon-Dinner on 2/20. Please send them to the office labeled with your family's name.

- 12.) **After School Math Tutoring:** For those that sent their permission slips back, tutoring will start Feb. 11th and last for 6 weeks on Thursdays beginning at dismissal.
- 13.) **Concerns about people driving with excessive speed around the school** were brought to the attention of the Dunkirk Police Office and the Mayor's Office. NCCS has been assured by the Mayor's Office that there will be an increased police presence during drop-offs and dismissal.
- 14.) **Tuition Assistance through the BISON Children's Scholarship Fund** is available to families again for the upcoming school year. Families that are not currently receiving a scholarship from BISON should apply by February 29th! You need to apply online at bisonfund.com. Current families receiving a scholarship have until March 31st to re-qualify.
- 15.) **Yearbooks are on sale!** \$10 each; please send in orders by March 10th. Order forms are available in the office.
- 16.) **"Rice Bowl" time is here!** Each year our NCCS Mission Club joins Catholic Relief Services in the Rice Bowl Project. This year it is called "for LENT for Life". Your family will receive a paper rice bowl bank to place in your home (kitchen table is good!). You'll receive a calendar to help your family journey through Lent while helping these selected mission areas, Laos Rwanda, Honduras, Madagascar and the U.S. – plus our local diocese family.

A family reflection for each day of the 40 days of Lent accompanies your rice bowl. A special thought from Pope Francis comes on March 26th – Holy Saturday. Please do what you can with donations. Return the rice bowls after Easter Vacation. Thank you from all of us in the Mission Club – May you have a blessed Lent and a holy, happy, joyful Easter.

-Mission Club & Ms. Miller

Looking Ahead:

- 17.) **Progress Reports** will be sent home for students in Kindergarten – 8th grade on Friday, March 4th.
- 18.) **Suessical Jr.:** NCCS will present the school musical on Friday, March 11th at 1pm & 6pm, and again on Saturday, March 12th at 6pm.
- 19.) **Dinner Night:** Come out to Denny's on Wednesday, March 16th 4-10pm to support NCCS! The school will receive 20% of everyone's bill that eats there during that time. Such an easy fundraiser, and you don't even have to cook!
- 20.) **Easter Vacation** will begin Monday, March 21st with students returning to school on Monday, April 4th.

Have a wonderful weekend!