



THE BEAR FACTS



April 5, 2017

Prayer

Lord, help us to let our "light shine" and then make the most of every day you give to us. Help us to not hide our goodness, but to share it always.

Importance of Regular School Attendance

It is a fact that students who attend school regularly learn more and are more successful in school than students who do not. Parents who make regular school attendance a priority also are helping their children learn to accept responsibility, and that's an important lesson for a successful life. Regular attendance is critically important, because students who miss school miss out on carefully planned sequences of instruction. They miss out on active learning experiences and class participation. They miss out on the opportunity to ask questions. This results in the child falling behind in academics. It can also affect the whole classroom because it can slow down instruction, due to the fact, that the absent student needs individual attention from the teacher.

What can you do to help?

- Schedule doctor and dental appointments so that your child can attend at least part of each school day.
- Communicate the importance of regular school attendance to your child so they are hearing the same thing we are saying at school.
- Provide a quiet place for your child to do homework and check in on him/her. Many students that do not get homework completed may say they are ill so they do not have to attend school.
- Make sure they are regularly eating nutritious meals and drinking plenty of fluids.

Early Dismissal on Good Friday, April 14th

St. Anthony School will dismiss at 1:45 PM on Friday, April 14th to allow the students to attend Good Friday Services with their parents. The service will begin at 3:00 PM.

NO After School Care

There will be no After School Care on Friday, April 14th.

NO School on Monday, April 17th

Monday, April 17th, is a snow makeup day and since we have had no snow days this year, we will be off this day.

Sign up for Choice Scholarship

If your family has been on Choice Scholarships in the previous years, I should be able to begin signing you up for the 2017-2018 school year beginning next week. You can call the school office to sign up for a time. The application process will be speeded up if you send me in a copy of your 2016 Federal Taxes before we meet. I will make copies and then return them to you when we meet. If this is not possible, then we can do the whole process when you come in.

If you are a parish family and have applied for the Parish Stewardship Scholarship or plan to apply for the Parish Stewardship Scholarship, I will need to wait until your family's application for the Parish Stewardship Scholarship has been approved in order for you to apply for the Choice Scholarship.

Information Meeting for SGO/Choice Scholarships

There will be a meeting for any parent who would like to learn more about the Indiana Choice Scholarship program and the SGO provided by the Institute for Quality Education. This meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30 PM in the school cafeteria.

2017-2018 School Calendar

We are sending home the most current 2017-2018 School Calendar. We ask that you look at it closely, and plan your vacations away from the school days. Notice that the Snow Make-up days will be March 12th-16th. Please do not make plans or schedule vacations during this week as we will make up our snow days during that week. A revised edition can also be found on the school website.

Walk-A-Thon News

Our annual Walk-A-Thon is upon us. Please look over all the forms and fill them out. If we do not have all the proper forms filled out your child might miss out on a fun filled day. Please note that there is a recommended \$25 donation for each student/family. The School/PTO does this once a year to help fund all our expenses. We need to raise a minimum of \$15,000 each year to be able to support all of the things that we usually do for the students, school, and teachers. Please help us as much as you can with our Walk-A-Thon. Thanks for your support.

This year we will not have a water station. We encourage each child to bring their own bottle of water to use while they walk. A drink and a snack will be given to the students after they walk.

All students must have a signed permission slip in order to walk. Please return your slip as soon as possible. Students will not be allowed to call home to get a parent to come and sign the slip.

With Sympathy

The St. Anthony School Family would like to offer our deepest sympathy to Garry and Beverly Gaskins, and Garrett Miller on the recent death of Gary and Beverly's daughter, Stephanie Gaskins, and Garrett's mother. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this very difficult time.

St. Anthony School would also like to offer our deepest sympathy to Earl and Ann Whitworth, former teachers at St. Anthony School, on the recent death of Earl's father, Earl C. Whitworth. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this very difficult time.

Congratulations!

St. Anthony School is proud to announce that Abby Hanlon has won the overall 8th Grade Archdiocese of Indianapolis Serra Club's Essay Contest for 2017. Abby's essay on Discipleship was chosen from all essays submitted in her grade level. Her essay encompassed the ways she has learned what it means to be a disciple through the ministry or witness of a man or woman in consecrated life. Abby wrote about the ways Fr. Joseph West has impacted her life. It was a beautiful, well-written essay that she is invited to read in Indianapolis on April 18th. Abby will be honored with a luncheon for her and her family. Abby will receive a beautiful plaque and a cash award to recognize her achievement.

Catering Needs

Do you have a First Communion or Graduation party that you would like for someone to cater for you? Mr. Dino, our school cafeteria chef, is willing to help you out. Give him a call here at school, and he will be happy to help you.

Used Uniform Sale

St. Anthony School will be having a Used Uniform Sale in the lobby of the school the week of April 10 through 14. All items will sell for \$1.00. Please feel free to stop in and take a look if your child needs any uniform item.

Silhouette Station of the Cross

Join us this Friday, April 7th at 1:45 PM in the church for the ***Silhouette Station of the Cross***. Several of our 7th & 8th graders will perform this sacrificial love.

Concessions Representative Needed

The Athletics Committee is currently looking for a ***Concessions Rep***. If you are interested, please contact Billy Hoyland at hoyboybilly@aol.com or 502-777-8493.

Good Luck

Good luck to our Bear family who is participating in spring ***Soccer & Track / Field!*** Represent our parish well and have fun out there!

Tentative

Saint Anthony School Calendar 2017-2018 School Year

July	19	Pre School and Kindergarten Orientation (6:30 PM)
July	24	Back to School Bash
July	26	First Day of School/Zesto School Spirit Night
Aug	2	Grade 1-8 Orientation (6:30 PM)
	11	Stewardship Friday
	23	Zesto School Spirit Night
	24-25	School Pictures
September	4	No School-Labor Day
	8	Stewardship Friday
	20	Zesto School Spirit Night
	29	First Quarter Ends (47 days)
October	2-13	No School-Fall Break (School resumes Oct 16)
November	10	Stewardship Friday
	22-24	No School-Thanksgiving Holidays
December	7	Secret Santa
	10	Stewardship Friday
	14	Christmas Program
	20	Christmas Vacation begins end of day
		Second Quarter Ends (45 days)
January	4	School Resumes
	12	Stewardship Friday
	15	No School-Martin Luther King Day (Snow Make-up Day)
	Jan 29-Feb3	Catholic Schools Week
February	4	Open House
	9	Stewardship Friday
	19	No School, President's Day (Snow Make-up Day)
	23-24	School Play
March	3	Reverse Raffle
	9	Stewardship Friday
		Third Quarter Ends (45 days)
	12-23	No School-Spring Break (Week of Mar 12 to Mar 16 is Snow Make up Days)
April	13	Stewardship Friday
	20	Walk-a-thon
May	3	Kinderderby
	4	No School-Oaks' Day (Snow Make-up Day)
	24	Last Day of School
		Fourth Quarter Ends (43 days)

Here is the TENTATIVE calendar for school year 2017-2018.

WALK A THON
VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET
FRIDAY APRIL 21, 2017

Name _____

Phone number _____ Best time to call _____

I am available on Friday from ___ 11:00-12:00 ___ 12:00-1:00 ___ 1:00-2:00 ___ Anytime

_____ I would like to help with refreshment table after kids get done walking

*If you can volunteer please fill this form out and send it to the office ASAP.

*Any questions please email nanci_yates@yahoo.com

*Parents/Guardians are more than welcome to walk with students (you don't need to fill out volunteer slip to do so).

WALK A THON COURSE AND DETAILS APRIL 21, 2017

*STUDENTS ARE TO BRING A BOTTLE OF WATER FOR WALK (IF SO CHOOSE). THERE WILL NOT BE A WATER STATION.

*Weather Wise: Will walk in rain. Won't walk in thunder storm, lightning or downpour.

*Make sure students dress according to weather. If rain in forecast raincoat, umbrella, etc.

*Students will walk right after their regular lunch times and using the restroom.

*The police will not be following us this year. With all teachers/parents having cell phones and walking in a quiet neighborhood. We didn't see a need to take up the policemen's time.

*Do to the Cat Walk being closed this year, we have changed up the walking course for some grades.

PRESCHOOL- Walk around the St. Anthony grounds determined by Mrs. Steurer

KINDERGARTEN-1ST GRADE- Sherwood left onto Bowne, left onto McKinley, left onto Brooks, left onto Randolph, right onto Bowne, right onto Sherwood.

2nd-5th GRADE- Sherwood left onto Carter, right onto Randolph, left onto Washington, left onto McKinley, left onto Brooks, left onto Randolph, right onto Bowne, right onto Sherwood.

6th-8th GRADE- Sherwood left onto Carter, right onto Randolph, left onto Jefferson, left onto McKinley, left onto Brooks, left onto Randolph, right onto Bowne, right onto Sherwood.

ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL

WALK A THON

FRIDAY APRIL 21, 2017

Sponsor Pledge Sheet

Student/Family Name _____ Teacher _____

It is recommended that each family pledge \$25.00 for this event. All students will be allowed to walk even if the recommended pledge is not met.

Sponsor's Name _____ Pledge Amount _____

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Total Pledge Amount _____

*Please return pledge sheet NO LATER than Friday April 21, 2017

*Please make all checks out to St. Anthony PTO

*Any questions please contact Nanci Yates at nanci_yates@yahoo.com

Walk A Thon Permission Slip

*Each child must have a permission slip signed by parent/guardian in order to participate.

*Must be turned in NO LATER than Friday April 21, 2017.

*Extra forms are available in office.

I give permission for my child to participate in the St. Anthony PTO walk a thon on Friday April 21, 2017.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Phone Number _____ Date _____

Child's Name _____ Teacher _____

PROVIDENCE

Our Lady of Providence High School



SCIENCE | TECHNOLOGY | ENGINEERING | MATHEMATICS

STEM Clubs Spring 2017



Three age groups

1st through 3rd Grade ● 4th through 6th Grade
7th through 9th Grade

Only \$15 per child for 5 sessions

One afternoon each will involve instruction in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, with the last session focusing on careers with speakers from various STEM professions.

Providence spring semester 2017 STEM CLUB pre-registration begins Mon., Nov. 21

Our Lady of Providence High School physics and earth-science instructor Laura Swessel will begin taking registrations for her new STEM CLUBS at 6:00 a.m. on Mon., Nov. 21.

These clubs are available to students in grades 1 through 9, on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The first thirty (30) registrants per age group who respond will be accepted, based on receipt of payment no later than Tues., Nov. 29. After this date the remaining spots will be offered to the next families in line.

Registration emails received prior to 6:00 a.m. on 11/21/16 will not be considered.

Space is limited. To register, email Mrs. Swessel at lswessel@providencehigh.net

Individual age groups will meet from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on the following dates, at Providence High School:

1st through 3rd Grade: 1/10, 1/31, 2/21, 3/14, 4/18

4th through 6th Grade: 1/17, 2/7, 2/28, 4/4, 4/25

7th through 9th Grade: 1/24, 2/14, 3/7, 4/11, 5/2

Cost is \$15 per student with checks payable to "Providence STEM Clubs" and mailed to: Attn. Laura Swessel, Providence STEM Clubs, 707 Providence Way, Clarksville, IN 47129.



Families who are among the first 30 to register via email will be notified of their status, as will those who are put on a waiting list. If positions become available following 11/29/16, those on the wait list will be notified in date order of inquiries received.