



Dear St. Rose Families,

As Catholic Schools Week comes to an official close tomorrow; in the great tradition of St. Rose, the celebrations will go on! As we started the week with a major snowstorm, our opening ceremony and two very, very special days were canceled, I should say postponed.

How could we call it a true Catholic Schools Week celebration without our Spirit Day, Pig Races, and of course Student Appreciation Day? It would be unheard of, especially this year! So, the festivities continue. Here are our plans for next week...

First let's not forget the last official day for tomorrow....

Saturday, February 6th---Celebrating Families

Parents, guardians, and other family members play a vital role in Catholic education. Not only do they volunteer at the school, they instill values and expectations for academic excellence in their children at home. We hope that you celebrate with your SRS student(s) and have a fun filled family day!

Next week's plan...

Thursday, February 11th ---Student Appreciation Day

We love and are very proud of our students and are happy to have a day to show them in an extra special way! This is a day that is well deserved by our student population! Our students have met and exceeded so many expectations, in all ways, this first semester; so we are thrilled to bring this day to them to let them know, we did notice and we are grateful for each and every one of them!

We begin with a DRESS DOWN (our Preschoolers through Grade 2 are invited to wear PJ's) Grades 3 through 8 are invited to wear something comfortable because...the gift of a relaxing afternoon with MOVIE TIME and SNACKS is on the lesson plan of the day!

With all this excitement how can they concentrate on assessments?! So, this is a no tests, quizzes, or assessments day!!

Of course after such a strenuous day of being honored we can't expect them to do homework! So, this is also a no homework evening!

Friday, February 12th---Celebrating Your Community Day

We always kick off Catholic Schools Week off with our SRS SPIRIT! This year, we will end our celebrations in a strong spirited way! Students and Staff DRESS DOWN in RED and WHITE.

Can we help others while celebrating? Yes we CAN, CAN!!

We are asking for a donation of two canned goods or other nonperishable food items as our service for the day. As the cold weather sets in and amidst the pandemic, our food pantries need to be restocked more often; this is a great opportunity for your child to have fun while helping us serve those in need! A big part of Catholic education is learning the importance of service to others; fostering the values and faith gained by being blessed to have a Catholic education.

Our food donations will go to Faith Food Pantry; a ministry located right on our St. Rose Campus.

Our annual PIG RACES will take off that day too!! We will be safely competing two classes at a time in the Gathering Hall; and as we move through the brackets look forward to seeing which PIG will emerge victorious!

We begin Friday morning, as we do with all things, with prayer. Following prayer, we welcome a new tradition, The SRS Spirit Stroll, led by our school leaders, the Class of 2021. While our younger students line the hallways, with pom-poms, our 8th graders will take the Spirit Stroll through the hallways to the cheers of their peers and young friends as they are announced over the PA!

What better way to keep the excitement going!! Don't forget the 100th day of School and Valentines Celebrations are also in the works in our classrooms for the end of next week! So a little snowy Sunday, some busy learning days at the beginning of the week that lead us to more celebration of community and what keeps us together! All a great beginning for the long weekend that follows!!

While this wasn't the traditional Catholic Schools Week as we have celebrated for many years; a pandemic couldn't dampen our spirits and a snowstorm couldn't take away the days! The days went by with service projects, fun, and dress down days and many, many smiles and laughter throughout the classrooms and hallways. The children lead us in spirit and reminded us again, that in everything we face, there is always blessings to be found! We can't wait to share with you our album of memories from this week, and what we will add from the week ahead!

Thank you to all our parents for your support and dedication to our children and school! While you might not be able to come to school this year to volunteer, you have been a beacon of light with your kind words, your many donations to classrooms and the school, and your overwhelming offers of "What can we do? Just ask!". It has kept us going and as we continue our celebration, we look back at the week, and around us each day, and find the answers to why Catholic Education, are many!

Wishing you a weekend of adventures and relaxation! Stay safe in whatever weather comes our way!

Kind Regards! Stay Well!

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