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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Deacon Bruce and his family want you all to know how very much they appreciate all of the cards and prayers that have been sent.

Scholarship Applications: St. Stephen School will again offer scholarship assistance to our **sixth graders who have chosen to stay at St. Stephen School** for grades 7 and 8. Scholarship applications will be available to 6th grade students from Mrs. Mangaudis on Monday, March 11th. Completed applications should be returned by Monday, April 22nd.

Joanne Mallozzi, Principal

Value of the Month – March

Perseverance

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

Confucius

When we persevere, we do our best with what we have.

We keep trying; we don't quit or give up easily.

We never make excuses for obstacles that get in the way of getting something done.

Instead we look for ways to remove or work around the obstacles.

Π Pi-Day - Thursday, March 14 is PiDay, a day to celebrate the mathematical constant Pi (π) and to eat lots of pie! It's celebrated in countries that follow the month/day format, because the digits in the date, March 14 or 3/14, are the first three digits of π (3.14). Pi Day was founded by physicist Larry Shaw in 1988. Table Talk of Worcester has generously donated pies for our students to use in classroom activities planned for Thursday, March 14. We thank Mrs. Corso for making the arrangements.

Thank You! We are very grateful to all of the prize donors for the **Calendar Raffle**. The response was wonderful! Thank you so much to Mrs. Labonte and Mrs. Watson for their hard work in organizing this Raffle for our School!



April Calendar Raffle:

You will find information on our annual Calendar Raffle in today's envelope. This is our last major fundraiser for the year and has the potential to help our school immensely.

We are asking each family to sell 10 calendars. Families who sell 10 or more will be entered into a bonus drawing! Please tell family, friends and co-workers about this Raffle.

If you have the time, we would greatly appreciate volunteers who can sell Raffle tickets after Masses (dates to be determined) in March. Calendars sold are credited to your family total ☺

Please see the enclosed letter for more detailed information and we thank you for your support!

This Week's Brown Envelope Inserts..

- March Calendar
- April Lunch Order Forms
- Calendar Raffle Calendars and letter coming home this week

Coming Up...

- ~ Friday, March 1, Re-Registration Forms and payment due
- ~ Wednesday, March 6, Ash Wednesday - 8:30 AM Mass & 10:30 AM Liturgy Grades K-8.
- ~ Thursday, March 7, Chill Out - Grades K-8 - \$1
- ~ Friday, March 8, ½ Day of School - Professional Development
 - ~ 11:15 Dismissal Pre-K
 - ~ 11:30 Dismissal K-8
- ~ **SATURDAY, MARCH 9 – PRE-K NEW STUDENT OPEN HOUSE 10-12**
- ~ Sunday, March 10, Move Clocks ahead 1 hour
- ~ Monday, March 11, Scholarship Applications Available-Grade 6
- ~ Monday, March 25, Mass for Life Grades 7&8, St. Paul's Cathedral
- ~ Wednesday, March 27, LifeTouch Spring Pictures
- ~ Thursday, March 28, End of Term
- ~ Saturday, March 30 - Declamation Contest

IMPORTANT...

Financial Aid Forms K-8

Financial Aid is distributed by the Diocese of Worcester based on need as it relates to the cost of tuition. Assessment of financial need and distribution of grants is made solely by the FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment of the FACTS Management Company. In order to be considered for financial aid, students must be enrolled and have completed their tuition agreement with their school. Applicants must apply on line. The website is <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>. This link is now available.

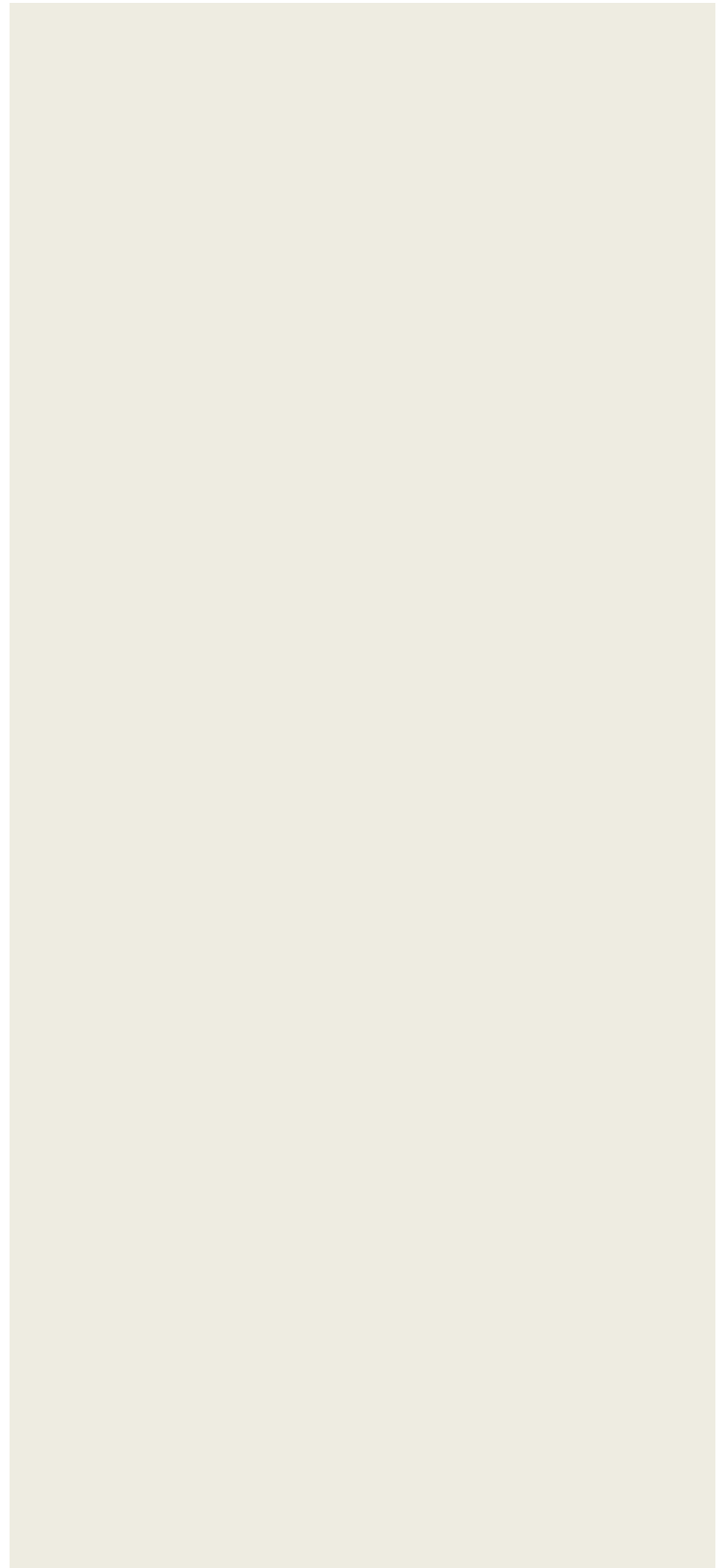
Please note the deadline for applications is Friday, March 1, 2019. If you need assistance with the application process, please contact the school at 508-755-3209 well in advance of the application deadline.

Re-registration Forms for 2019-2020

All current students need to re-register for the upcoming school year. We want to remind parents that the \$175.00 registration fee and the **completed registration form must be turned into the school office by Friday, March 1, 2019.** After the March 1st deadline, the re-registration fee will increase to \$200.00.

If your child will not be returning next year, please indicate that on the re-registration form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. All financial obligations to St. Stephen School must be satisfied prior to a student's transfer. Please note that any parish school and diocesan high school will not accept incoming students from parish schools whose financial obligations are incomplete.





As a reminder, our parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the policies of the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact Cathleen Peloquin, Victim Services Coordinator for our diocese at 508-929-4363 (direct line and confidential voicemail). If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.