



## IMPORTANT DATES

**FRIDAY, 02/28:** STATION OF THE CROSS (2:00PM, CHURCH)

Fish Fry Begins (4:30PM—7:30PM)

**MARCH 02—06:** National Reading Week (see reverse for schedule of events and dress-down days!)

**TUESDAY, 03/03:** Spirit Wear Day

**MARCH 02, 04, 06:** Scholastic Book Fair (during Library class)

**MARCH 06:** Breakfast With Books Parent Shopping Event, 7:30AM—8:30AM, Library

**TUESDAY, 03/03:** 2nd Trimester Ends

**WEDNESDAY, 03/04:** Spring Pictures

**THURSDAY, 03/05:** Principal Folino to hand out report cards (Accounts must be current; report cards will be held for overdue balances)

**TUESDAY, 03/10:** Tuesday Tours & Toddler Time, 8:30am-11:00am

**WEDNESDAY, 03/11:** Dine & Share at Panera

**SUNDAY, 03/15:** Family Mass, 10:00AM Chapel (Activity to follow)

**TUESDAY, 03/17:** St. Patrick's Day: Dress down in green

**THURSDAY, 03/19:** St. Joseph's Day: Dress down in red

**FRIDAY, 03/20:** NO SCHOOL—Professional Development

### FEBRUARY FREEZE / RE-REGISTRATION

**DON'T FORGET : ONLY 1 DAY LEFT FOR OUR FEBRUARY FREEZE SPECIAL!** Register your child/ren for the 2020-21 school year by **Friday, Feb. 28**, and receive the **FEBRUARY FREEZE** - continue paying **THIS** year's tuition rates for **NEXT** year! ☺

After February 28, the 2020-2021 tuition rates take effect, which represent a 3% increase from this year's rates.

**PLEASE STOP BY OR CALL THE OFFICE TODAY TO GET YOUR FAMILY REGISTERED FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR!**

### NATIONAL READING WEEK

Next week is National Reading Week! Please see the back of this newsletter for the complete schedule of events and important information. Please also see the enclosed Reading Log: If the school reaches its goal of students reading 100,000 minutes during the month of March, Principal Folino will have a special surprise! See Reading Challenge Log for more info!

### BOOK FAIR

Students can shop during their Library class March 2-6. Parents can shop at Breakfast With Books on Friday, March 6 from 7:30-8:30am. Don't forget to set up your e-wallet! All sales directly benefit the Library. Please visit <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stferdinandschool1> to shop online. Thank you for your support!

### LENTEN RICE BOWLS

Rice bowls with enclosed letters are included in this week's folder. Please consider what you will contribute to the needy this Lent. As part of the rice bowl project, we will have a Rice Day during Holy Week so that students may learn more about poverty. Stay tuned for more info!

### FISH FRY

Fish Fry begins February 28. Sign-up papers for volunteers were included in last week's folder. If you have not already completed 10 Parent Service Hours, you will need to sign up for a time so that you can complete your hours. **All hours must be finished by March 31, otherwise \$250 will be charged to your April tuition.**

### CLIMATE, CULTURE, AND CATHOLIC IDENTITY SURVEY (3 C'S SURVEY)

Parents: Don't forget, you have the opportunity to participate in the Climate, Culture, and Catholic Identity Survey. This is a system-wide survey throughout the Archdiocese, and all schools are participating in order to gain insight into the inner workings of our schools.

**If you have not already filled out the survey, please visit:** <http://survey.5-essentials.org/archchicago/survey/parent/>

### SPIRIT WEAR

Our Spirit Wear online store will be open through **Friday, March 6**. All orders will be delivered to school towards the end of March. Special Spirit Wear days will also be added to the calendar (in addition to the regular 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month). You may shop online by going to [www.SelectSpiritwear.com](http://www.SelectSpiritwear.com) and selecting St. Ferdinand School

### SUMMER CAMP 2020: FULL STEAM AHEAD

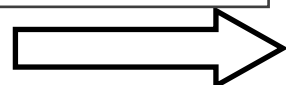
We are pleased to announce the return of our Summer Camp! This year, the theme will focus on Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM). Registration may be completed online at:

<http://saintferdinandschool.org/summer-camp/>

### CROSSING GUARD APPRECIATION MONTH

February is Crossing Guard Appreciation month! We would like to thank our crossing guard, Maria, who is at the corner of Mason and Belmont each day. Make sure to say "thank you" to the crossing guards you see for all their help in keeping our children safe!

**See Reverse for National Reading Week Schedule of Special Events!**



# Read Across America Week

## March 2-6

### Monday, March 2nd- Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday!

- Dr. Seuss Story Time- Students will hear a Dr. Seuss story read by a visiting teacher!
- Students will redesign the iconic hat from *Cat in the Hat* for some fun with art.
- Kick-off to our school-wide reading challenge for the month of March! Reading log and challenge information will be distributed by homeroom teachers.
- Book Fair begins today. Students will have the opportunity to shop throughout the week during their regularly scheduled library class time ☺

### Tuesday, March 3rd- Show your spirit!

- Inspired by the story, *Fox in Socks*, students may wear crazy, mismatched socks with their spirit wear.
- Reading buddies- Students will partner up with friends from another class to read together.

### Wednesday, March 4th- Bookmark Making

- Student's will get to color/design a Dr. Seuss inspired bookmark.

### Thursday, March 5th- Cozy up with a book!

- Students may dress down wearing comfy clothes and bring their favorite book from home for 30 minutes of reading time.
- Students may also bring in a small pillow or blanket from home for reading time.

### Friday, March 6th- Amazing Authors

- Students will engage in creative writing activities!
- Breakfast with Books- Parents can shop @ Book Fair from 7:30-8:30 am!

