

From the Desk of
Maria Cahill, Principal
March 6, 2024



Happy National Oreo® Cookie Day!

Greetings St. Pius Tenth School Families!

There is a great deal of information in this week's communication, which is our **main tool for sharing information** with families. Therefore, we ask that you take the time to read it, in its entirety, to keep up with what is happening in our school. We will do our best to send text reminders for certain events, though that may not always be possible. Thank you in advance for your time and attention!



Please note the following important **calendar dates**:

Friday, March 8		Conference Day- No School
Monday, March 11	6:15 PM	PAC Meeting- School-Room 20
Friday, March 15		½ Day for Students Professional Development Day for Teachers; 11:30 Dismissal for Pre-K 11:45 Dismissal for K – 5
Please update PickUp Patrol with your alternate dismissal plan for the ½ day		
Friday, March 29		Good Friday – No School
Monday – Monday April 1 – 8		Easter Recess School Reopens on April 9
*** Wednesday, June 12	6:30 PM	Spring Concert



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Reminder

Transportation forms for the 2024-2025 School Year are due to transportation departments in your home school district by April 1, 2024. Forms can be found online on your district's website.

Congratulations!

Each year, our 4th and 5th Grade students enter a writing contest for the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. I am so proud to announce that 5th Graders, Matt Goforth, Ariana Gerber, and Grace Allen won for their entries in the essay contest. 4th Graders Sammy Rapone and Theo Manos won for their entries in the poetry contest. Congratulations to them and to Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Fusilli!



Save the Date for our Spring Concert

Our Spring Concert will be held on Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 6:30 PM, in the school gymnasium. Please save the date, as our students will display what they have been working on this year in both band and music.



How Many Ways Can We Say Thank You?

A huge thank you to all of you who helped with the set-up, clean up, and the efforts contributed to making our Sham Rock N' Roll a great success!!

We had a great turn out, and everyone there had an awesome time!

...And a very, very special Thank You to Mrs. Allen and Advantech Industries for the coordination of the event and the donation to cover the costs of the DJ and Photo Booth!



Catholic Schools Day at the Ballpark!

This year, Catholic Schools Day at Innovative Field is scheduled for Sunday, June 2, 2024, when the Red Wings will take on the St. Paul Saints at 1:05 PM. Tickets will be on sale for \$10. We will be sharing the link to purchase tickets as soon as it is made available to us.



Don't forget...you can earn 40 Bonus Box Tops at Target from now until the end of March when you buy any four Annie's products in a single transaction.

Our \$1,000 goal for this school year is in sight! With 4 months to go, we're already at \$690!

*** REGISTRATION FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR ***

Registration for the 2024-2025 School Year is open to all current and prospective families!

Please let us know if you need another hard copy of the registration packet, and we will send one home with your student and please return completed paperwork as soon as possible to guarantee enrollment.

Diocese of Rochester Building a Brighter Future Scholarship 2024-2025 School Year



The application period is now open for the 2024 - 2025 **Building a Brighter Future Scholarship**. Please see the information included in this week's communication for information and application instructions.

This is an eligibility-based scholarship opportunity for registered students in Kindergarten through Grade 5. Please note that there is a \$40 scholarship application fee.

Fr. Murphy Scholarship 2024-2025

The window for application for the Fr. Murphy Scholarship is now open. If you would like more information, please contact the school office at (585) 247-5650.

The financial awards of up to \$3,000.00 (per scholarship, per year) are granted for up to 4 years for students in grades nine through twelve who are attending McQuaid Jesuit, Bishop Kearney, Aquinas Institute or Our Lady of Mercy High Schools.



From Camp Stella Maris:

Attention families!

Give your campers between the ages of 5-10 a memorable and fun-filled April break by registering them for Camp Stella Maris' upcoming April Break Camp. For one week, from April 1st to April 5th, campers will take part in a range of thrilling activities such as scavenger hunts, team building, gaga, arts and crafts, carpetball, dancing, and much more! Our friendly and experienced counselors will guide campers through every activity, ensuring their safety and that they have the time of their lives. The cost is \$300 and will run from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm each day and includes two snacks a day and an amazing chance to make lasting memories and new friends. Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to give your campers the adventure they deserve. Financial assistance is available. You can find more information and register by visiting our website. <https://www.campstellamaris.org/year-round-kids/> Also mark your calendars and get ready for a thrilling morning at Camp Stella Maris' 3rd Annual Stella 5K & Kids Fun Run. Join the excitement on April 27, 2024, at Mendon Ponds Park for an unforgettable experience. This event is an excellent opportunity to support CSM's Campership program, which provides scholarships to help many campers experience the positive impact that spending time at camp can have on their social, physical, and emotional growth. By participating in this event, you not only get a chance to exercise and have fun but also support a great program that helps children grow and flourish. Register now for the 5K race for just \$35 or Kids Fun Run for only \$15 and join CSM on their mission to make a positive impact on children's lives. <https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/HoneoyeFalls/CSM5KFamilyFunRun>

Please see the flyers included in this week's communication.

Have a Blessed and Wonderful Rest of the Week!

March



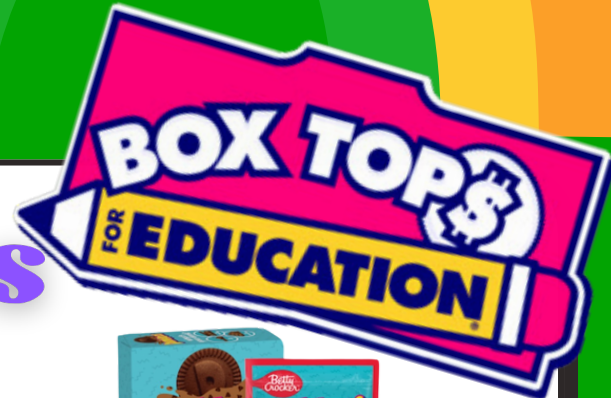
2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

BOX TOP EARNINGS

\$692.20

THIRD QUARTER LEADERBOARD

KINDERGARTEN - 502
SECOND GRADE - 351



Bonus Box Tops



Earn 5 Bonus Box Tops on Lucky Charms

when you buy any 3 participating Lucky Charms products in a single transaction between 03/01/24 - 03/31/24.



Earn 4 Bonus Box Tops on Totino's Pizza Rolls

when you buy any 3 participating Totino's Pizza Rolls products in a single transaction between 03/01/24 - 03/31/24.



Earn 2 Bonus Box Tops on Dunkaroos

when you buy any 3 participating Dunkaroos products in a single transaction between 03/01/24 - 03/31/24.



Earn 6 Bonus Box Tops on Pillsbury Toaster Strudel

when you buy any 4 participating Pillsbury Toaster Strudel products in a single transaction between 03/01/24 - 03/31/24.



Earn 2 Bonus Box Tops on Old El Paso

when you buy any 2 participating Old El Paso products in a single transaction between 03/01/24 - 03/31/24. *Offer excludes seasoning packets.

NOT SCANNING YET? JOIN HERE:

[HTTPS://BTFE.SMART.LINK/C2JDFKW?REFERRAL_CODE=YXCG0V30](https://btf.smart.link/c2jdfkw?referral_code=yxcg0v30)



Right now, you'll earn 40 Bonus Box Tops when you buy any 4 Annie's products at Target and scan the qualifying receipt from your purchase within 14 days.



TARGET

Limit 5 claims per receipt. Ends 3/31.

Earn a pot o' gold for SPX by scanning receipts for Box Tops!

The Hour of Code

By: Anne Sabo

Each year since 2013, Code.org has sponsored an event called The Hour of Code. The Hour of Code started as a one-hour introduction to computer science, designed to demystify "code," to show that anybody can learn the basics, and to broaden participation in the field of computer science. It has since become a worldwide effort to celebrate computer science, starting with 1-hour coding activities.

At Saint Pius Tenth School, our kindergarten through fifth graders complete an hour of coding with the help of Code Monkey, an online resource. We start with simple block coding and move up to text coding.

What are the benefits, you might ask. There are many!

- Coding encourages creativity. Students have the opportunity to come up with their own solution.
- Coding boosts math skills. It is a very logical and math-based skill.
- Coding encourages problem solving. Students are



challenged to approach problems from different angles.

- Coding teaches computational thinking. It teaches children to think critically.
- Coding encourages persistence. When their first solution doesn't work, although there may be some frustration, children go back and look for a better one.

These are just a few of the many benefits of completing an hour of code!

Box Tops Corner

Help our school reach its goal by:

- Using the QR code below to download the app.
- Use referral code **OOGA5M0B** and earn 25 bonus box tops when you scan your first paper receipt.
- Keep scanning your receipts when you purchase products with the Box Tops symbol.
- We're at 60%. Help reach 100%!



Home Safety Check Day

March 23, 2024 | 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM

WITH THE OGDEN & GATES POLICE, MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT & STATE TROOPERS

at the Mark's Pizzeria in Gates!

Call the store today for more information!

Gates Chili: (585) 247-7720

North Chili: (585) 594-0034



ADAM J. BELLO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The Monroe County Office of Traffic Safety will have hands-on, educational information on all aspects of traffic safety. They will have a few bicycle helmets available free of charge for kids ages 4-14.



Operation Safe Child: An opportunity for you to get your child's fingerprints and information put into the database in case something should ever happen.



Get a free home safety check done, property information and safety tips on how to keep your home protected from intruders.

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!

CALL TODAY TO SCHEDULE AHEAD:

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5K
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CAMP
GAMES



SEE CAMP
FRIENDS

KIDS FIELD
RUN

9:00 AM
APRIL 27
2024

TO BENEFIT THE
CAMP STELLA MARIS
CAMBERSHIP FUND

MENDON PONDS PARK
STEWART LODGE

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APRIL BREAK CAMP

FOR CAMPERS
GRADES K - 5

APRIL
1st - 5th
8:00 - 5:00
\$300*

ACTIVITIES

Hiking and nature walks
Scavenger hunts
Teambuilding activities
Gaga

Art & Crafts
Singing & Dancing
Carpet Ball
2 snacks



REGISTER NOW

closes 3/27/24

campstellamaris.org/year-round-kids/



CONTACT US

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*financial assistance available