



# St. Richard Catholic School

Swanton, Ohio

"EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION"

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## OWLS— Only With Love and Service

### **St. Richard Catholic School Mission Statement**

*We the community at St. Richard Catholic School are happily called to be Christ's eyes in seeing the needs of creation; His ears in listening with mind, heart, and spirit to others; His hands in reaching out to help; His feet in taking action. In this setting as educators, learners, and servers, we are providing opportunities for academic excellence.*

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE**

*Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God.*

*1 Peter 3:18*

We hear a lot about sin and the suffering of Jesus throughout Lent because now is the time to turn back to God and live out the promises of our baptism. St. Peter in his first letter reminds us that the purpose of Jesus' suffering was to lead us to God.

Sin, suffering, and death are not pleasant to talk about, but somehow, in the mystery of our redemption, God used them to reach out to us.

Let us respond to God's redeeming love for us through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity this Lent.

*Lord Jesus, thank you for showing us the love of God.*

*Source: Living Faith for Kids*

**The revised Parent & Student Handbook is now available on the School Website: [www.school.saintrichard.org](http://www.school.saintrichard.org). Please read it with your children and send in a copy of the signed last page.**

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- February 19—FULL day of school. Swanton has cancelled the Late Start for today and the one in April.
- February 20—Fish Fry; Easter Raffle Drawing #1 for \$500.
- February 25—Kroger statements need to be printed.
- February 27—End of Second Trimester; Spirit wear orders are due.
- March 1—11:30 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Open House
- March 4—Report Cards will be handed out by Deacon Jerry; Little Caesar Pizza orders and money due
- March 5—6:00 p.m. Parent Club
- March 6—Happy Birthday, Mrs. Beth Savage! Fish Fry; Easter Raffle Drawing #2 for \$500
- March 8-11—Parish Mission
- March 9—12:30-1:30 p.m. John Angotti will meet with the students in church
- March 12—7:00 p.m. School Advisory;
- March 18—No students; Parent conferences (if needed) Faculty meeting
- March 20—Fish Fry; Easter Raffle Drawing #3 for \$500
- March 21—First Communion Parent and Child Retreat 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- March 24—Spring Pictures will be taken
- March 25—Marcos Pizza Night
- March 26—First Communion Pictures

### **LUNCH CHARGES**

*Reminder: Please pay your lunch charges.  
\$2.65 for complete lunch; 40¢ for milk only  
Thank you.*

### **BLIZZARD BAGS**

The Diocese of Toledo has been approved to use Blizzard Bags if we need to make up days because of weather. Teachers will be sending home three (3) days of school work.

The next full day we are off will be the first day to use Day One of the Blizzard Bag work. On the second full day off students should do Day 2 of the Blizzard Bag work. On the third full day off the students should do Day 3 of the Blizzard Bag work. Some teachers will send work for these days through Engrade and Edmodo. Be sure to check your e-mail for that information.

We had 45 extra hours in our schedule and to date we have used 46.5 hours.

## **EASTER RAFFLE**



Our first Easter Raffle Drawing during the Fish Frys will be this Friday, February 20. Tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50 or 14 for \$100. You may make as many copies of the ticket sheet as you

wish. The tickets can also be e-mailed to family and friends. Please write on the back of the ticket if your family is to receive its 100% credit for fundraising. Proceeds will be used to paint our classrooms and fix our playgrounds to bring them up to code. A separate copy is attached to the E-mail so you don't have to send the entire newsletter.

## **KROGER PRINTOUTS**

After you sign in to Kroger community rewards you need to "view your rewards detail" - that's the number Scrip needs to give you credit. Be sure to do this by February 25.

## **ED CHOICE EXPANSION FORMS**

The forms for Ed Choice Expansion Scholarships from the state of Ohio are available the website <http://edchoice.ohio.gov> and can be filled out online. Copies of the new or renewal form are available in the school office. Students who will be in Kindergarten, Grade 1 or Grade 2 during the 2015-2016 school year are eligible for this scholarship. Paper copies of these forms are also available in the school office.

## **NOSF SCHOLARSHIP FORMS**

Forms for the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund are available in the school office. Be sure to pick one up in the office. The due date is May 29, 2015.

## **SPIRIT WEAR ORDERS**

If you need Spirit Wear, orders need to be in to the office by the end of the month. The company will process the orders when we have 12 items ordered. For the rest of the year, orders will be due the last Friday of each month. Thank you.

## **DRESS CODE REMINDERS**

Just a reminder that boots are not to be worn all day in class—only shoes are to be worn in the classrooms. In addition, some girls are wearing nail polish, which is not allowed. Socks are to cover the ankle at all times. Please reread the Dress Code sheet that was sent home this summer and is posted on the website.



Students in Grades 5-8 should be wearing school shoes during the day—not tennis shoes.

When the wind chill is above 25 degrees, students will be going out for recess. Students need to bring coats, gloves or mittens, hats, and scarves. If there is snow on the ground, boots are necessary. Students also need to bring a pair of shoes to change into from the boots.

## **PICTURES FOR YEARBOOK**

If you have any photos that you think might be nice for the yearbook, please E-mail them to Mrs. Cooper at [mrscooper928@gmail.com](mailto:mrscooper928@gmail.com) no later than February 20. Thanks.



## **WELLNESS ALERT**

### **STOPPING GERMS**

The main way that illnesses like colds and flu are spread is from person to person in respiratory droplets of coughs and sneezes. This is called "droplet spread."

This can happen when droplets from a cough or sneeze of an infected person move through the air and are deposited on the mouth or nose of people nearby. Sometimes germs also can be spread when a person touches respiratory droplets from another person on a surface like a desk and then touches his or her own eyes, mouth, or nose before washing their hands. We know that some viruses and bacteria can live 2 hours or longer on surfaces like cafeteria tables, doorknobs, and desks.

