

Red Raven Review

St. Joseph's

This Week *Parenting?*

You are not alone, all parents wonder if they are doing it right!

Sometimes it is hard to tell what your child needs, what her behaviors mean and if you are doing right by him. Looking back over the years I can still recall many restless nights wondering if I handled a situation well, if I was too hard on my kids or maybe I should have done something differently. I won't pretend to have all the answers, but here are a few tips that might help make your parenting years easier.

- Don't take this wrong, but you're not going to do everything right (neither did I). When you find you have handled a situation wrong, correct the error, brush yourself off, and try again.
 - Being a good parent takes time and patience.
 - Parenting is a series of trials and errors.

We all learn from our mistakes. Aside from being consistent, following through, and communicating positively, there are few *definite* rules on parenting. You have to find what works for yourself and your children.

- Don't give up on your children. Be persistent and keep trying. Your kids need you to be strong.
 - Have fun with your kids.

The time when your kids want to sit and play with you is relatively short. Don't lose that time. Play with your children as much as you can. One day they will be off running around with their own set of friends and you'll be begging them to set aside some time for you. One thing I have determined over the years is that it is better to be stricter now while your children are young and still learning their behaviors. Once they get older it is much more difficult to enforce rules that were not taught at a younger age.

God Bless,

Marlan Burki

Night Out - Sonic night out February 24th from 5-8 pm
with 20% of sales coming back to our school.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please take some time and read through the Raven Review this week. Fr. Barnhill has included a special edition that has much needed information regarding the Good Shepard Scholarship, 2020-2021 Tuition, FACTS Tuition Management and FACTS Grant and Aid applications. Every family will need to register with FACTS for their tuition payments and any family seeking financial assistance will be required to submit a FACTS Grant & Aid application.

God Bless,

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Thank You!

Gala

I would like to extend a big THANK YOU to all of the people that made our Sweetheart Gala such a success. Your hard work and dedication to St. Joseph's school and church is admirable.

Marlan Burki



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Upcoming:

Lunch 2-17-2020

Mon. – No School (Teacher In-Service)

Tuesday-.Grilled Chicken Breast w/
Bun

Wednesday- French Toast

Thursday – Chicken Noodle Soup

Friday – Pepperoni Pizza

Important Dates:

Monday 2/17 No School (Teacher In-Service)

Wednesday 2/26 Ash Wednesday

- 2nd Grade First Confession
- 2:00 Dismissal (Faculty Meeting)

Monday-3/2- 3/6-ITBS Testing Week

Tuesday 3/10 Kindergarten Preview Parent Meeting

Wednesday 3/11 2:00 Dismissal (Teacher Work Time)

Thursday 3/12 Preschool Registration Closes

Friday 3/13 No School End of 3rd Qtr.

Wednesday 3/25 2:00 Dismissal (Faculty Meeting)

School Choice Bill Introduced by Senator Linehan

A couple of weeks ago your student likely came home with a bright yellow “School Choice” scarf. The National School Choice Week coincides with our own Catholic Schools Week (by the way over 51,300 schools nationwide participated in Catholic Schools Week). During that time a good number of schools sent students to our State Capitol for a “School Choice Week Rally”. At the rally this year Senator Linehan announced her bill, the “Opportunity Scholarships Act” (LB1202). LB 1202 would legislate a tax credit for donations to nonprofit scholarship granting organizations, which would then award private school scholarships for low-income students.

So, I’m sure you’re asking yourself, “What does this mean to me.” Basically, it means individuals and businesses can donate money to, what I’m going to call, a “holding company” and the person or business gets a tax break from the State of Nebraska. The holding company then distributes the money to qualifying organizations (most would be schools with kids in the free & reduced lunch program). It does NOT take money from the local public school. So in essence, it is a win – win. St. Joseph would get some money and we would likely be able to keep more students. The public school wins because they get money for kids in their “district” and they would not have the cost of educating those students that attend the non-public school.

Please contact your State Legislator and ask them to vote for LB1202.

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Marlan Burki

