



St. Stephen Catholic School

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January 10, 2019



Office Hours

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Missed a Tidbits?

Find it on the
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or
School [Website](#)

Upcoming Events

Re-enrollment will
begin January 15.

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**Reminder**  
If Thursday folders go  
home please remember  
to return them to the

## Principal's Points



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome back and I hope everyone had a restful and joy-filled Christmas. As we begin the second half of our school year, it is also time to start preparing for next year. Please take a moment to read my letter regarding re-enrollment. Much thought and consideration is given to everything we do and Father Dermot, the School Advisory Board, school office staff and I had many conversations about our vision for our school and parish. Our most important goal for the students is to develop a love for Jesus and the desire to be active in their faith.

### [Re-enrollment Letter](#)

A special thank you to the Burdens for making a purchase from my Christmas wishlist and to the Tilleys for donating money to be used to make purchases to enhance our Morning Show. This list is below and other items are still available on

school the next day

## Symbaloo



The school symbaloo page is a collection of links for students and parents that will make it easy to find the information and sites that are frequently used at SSCS. Bookmark it!

<https://sscs.symbaloo.com>

## Lunch /WT Cafe



Food Kids Love

You can pre-order meals 36 hours in advance of lunch service for a full menu access at the regular price or by 8am daily for a rush lunch (limited choices, surcharge applies) You must order your drinks separately. You can also cancel your order up to 8am that day. Please take the time to check it out.

You can create an account or place your order by clicking on

[WT Cafe](#)

## Safe Environment & Background Screening

### [Fingerprinting & Safe Environment Process](#)

Also:

If you are volunteering in the school you will need to

Amazon if you wish to help.

### [New Year's Wishlist](#)

Desktop computers for classrooms  
yellow highlighters (4th grade)  
red pens (4th grade)  
colored pencils (1st grade)

Some of the other items are specific and we put them in a Wishlist on Amazon. Please click the link below to view our wishlist and you can purchase directly from Amazon. If you purchase something on Amazon, please let me know and I will delete it from our list.

Amazon link: <http://a.co/2yGvtfJ>

One of our bigger projects for next year is to begin replacing desks and we would like to start in the middle school with more flexible seating options. If you would like to support this project, please let me know.

## Peace

Linda Umoh

*Remember to check out our Facebook page. You don't need a Facebook account to see our page. Like us if you have one.*

<https://www.facebook.com/sscsfl/>



## Fun Run



### Reminder

The first round of monies collected for the fun run is due by tomorrow, Friday the 11th at 8:00am. It's for the ICE CREAM party so bring those donations in! We will announce the winner on Monday during the morning show announcements.

Here is the shareable link to copy/paste to family and friends for PayPal. Make sure the sponsors include the child's name and grade on the comment field of the payment. We want to ensure the right classroom receives the appropriate credit for the class prize of the week!!

QR Code

print off and complete this form and turn it into the front office

[Covered Volunteer Form](#)

**Birthday Treat Request Form**

The Birthday treat request form has been updated. Please complete and return to the homeroom teacher **2 weeks prior** to your child's birthday treat day. Thank you.

[Birthday Treat Request Form](#)

**Uniform Information**

Risse Brothers School  
Uniform Store  
4228 N. Armenia Ave.

Policy and Order Forms  
for the  
2018-19 School Year:

- [Uniform Policy](#)
- [Spirit Wear](#)
- [Boys Uniform](#)
- [Girls Uniform](#)

**Mrs. Gonzalez's ART BLOG**



[Art Blog](#)

Thank you for your support of the art program.

With Peace,  
Mrs. Gonzalez



Shareable URL:

[https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\\_s-xclick&hosted\\_button\\_id=NBF57PNS2AMDU&source=url](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=NBF57PNS2AMDU&source=url)

Thanks for your support!

Please see attached updated Fun Run packet. You may also click on the link below to watch the video.

[Updated Fun Run Packet](#)

[Fun Run Video](#)

**Spirit Nights**



**Chipotle -**

01/15/2019 Tuesday  
4pm to 8pm  
829 East Bloomingdale Avenue, Brandon, FL 33511  
Must place the order in the store and please make sure to mention SCS



**Sky Zone - Brandon**

01/16/2019 Wednesday  
3pm to 7pm  
Bring in the kids to bring off some of their back to school energy.



## Own the Avenue

Order your Own the Avenue street sign. What a great way to recognize your child's birthday or another special event during the school year.

The street sign is posted for 1 week (Mon.-Fri.) It is \$30 to repost a sign, and \$50 to create a new one. After you sign up please drop off your payment to the front office.

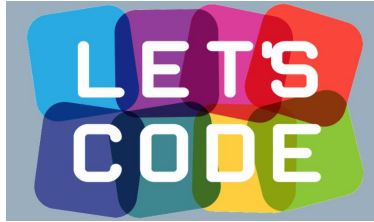
[Sign Up](#)



## Side Heading

Please mention SSCS at the check out for both places so our school will receive credit.

## Volunteer Opportunity



Mr. Siffermann would like to find one or two parents\grandparents to help with Coding Club on Tuesday from 2-3pm.

This club has 21 students from grades 1-5.

Help would include working with the younger students to log-on, read and understand directions in their activities, brief set-up and helping students log-off and clean-up at the end of class.

No coding experience required and Mr. Siffermann will help you with all the tasks involved.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

## Angels Among Us



News regarding Angels 2019 will soon be in your mailboxes. We are excited to start sharing how the 20th Angels will be totally amazing! We need input and help from parents with the planning, the sponsorships, the donations etc.

Our first meeting will be on Thursday, January 24 at 8AM in the Conference Room. Please consider attending as everyone's input and help is needed to make the fundraiser a success. If you are not available on this date but have the time and desire to help on a committee, please email me at [ngallagher@sscsfl.org](mailto:ngallagher@sscsfl.org)

If you have not met your 20 volunteer hours yet for the 2018/2019 school year, Angels might be able to help! It is never too early to donate to Angels 2019. If you received for Christmas a gift card that is not from an establishment you frequent, please donate the gift card to Angels. If you received any gifts you would like to regift, please consider Angels. A gift card for \$50 will credit you with one volunteer hour. Volunteer credit for a regifted item would be determined based on the retail value of the item. If you have any questions, please contact Nicki Gallagher in the school office.



## Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw



## Save The Date

On **Saturday, January 26, 2019** in the Family Life Center Gym, the Knights of Columbus Council 14084 will be conducting the Annual

**Basketball Free Throw Championship**  
**The competition is open to ALL boys and girls**  
**Ages 9-14!**

**Time: 9am-1pm**

Parents are asked to complete the Registration form available in the Parish Office, St. Stephen School Office, and Faith Formation Office! It will also be included in Tidbits and on the parish website. Request the return of completed forms no later than Friday January 18, 2019.

Point of Contact: Ed Veronick (850)305-9745  
edveronick@yahoo.com

### **Updated Notice:**

Parents are also asked to park in the grass area between the church and the St. Stephen School playground! You and your participating youth can enter on the East Side; Center entrance under the walkway of the Family Life Center. There will be a check-in table setup there and the front entries will be closed. I9 may be on the soccer field so this will allow ease in parking for the event, and exiting at the end.

**Thank you all for the outstanding support for me and the Knights of Columbus!**

You may also print off the Entry form [Here](#)

Celebrate your family!

## STEAM Night

Come CELEBRATE FAMILY during Catholic Schools Week

Engage in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math challenges and activities during our STEAM night! Work together as a family to complete ALL our challenges, and enter a raffle to win a LittleBits starter Kit \$130 value.

(Jet's Pizza will be offering pizza for dinner)

**Monday January 28, 2019, 6-8 p.m.**



Yearbook Ads deadline approaching!

**Order your Yearbook Recognition Ad today!**

Create your ad online at [www.jostensadservice.com](http://www.jostensadservice.com)



**Deadline: 1/31/2019**

**Yearbook recognition ads are a great way for parents, families and friends to commemorate student achievements and important milestones.** In addition, revenues from recognition ads help our school to create a better yearbook. To purchase your ad online, follow the instructions on the form below. Jostens is managing your school's yearbook ad sales so please do not contact or send materials to the school. Please take into account our school's ad content guidelines on the bottom of this form during the creation of your ad online. All ad orders must be placed online by **1/31/2019**.

Sincerely, St. Stephen Catholic School Yearbook Staff

Ad Size Color

Full Page \$225.00

1/2 Page \$135.00

1/4 Page \$80.00

1/8 Page \$40.00

Our school reserves the right to edit ads per our guidelines. Please make sure all submitted materials are appropriate for school publication.

**Customize your Yearbook Personalization today!**

<http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=AOIII4850>

**Deadline: 3/1/2019**

The magic of a yearbook is even stronger with personalization. Enhance the cover with a name, crest, monogram or icons to make it truly yours. Click on the link above.

## Volunteer Opportunity



### IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN-UP!!

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help with coffee and donuts. We will have our next training on December 2 at 8:50 am in the Family Life Center. This training will not take long, approximately 20-25 minutes. We ask that volunteers check in with

Jenn in the kitchen upon arrival to sign-in especially our school parents who are using this towards volunteer hours at the school.

If you have not signed up for a time slot already you can do so online at [Sign Up Genius](#). We appreciate all your help in keeping this fellowship event happening. If you have any questions or need further assistance registering for a time slot, please email Jenn at [communications@ststephencatholic.org](mailto:communications@ststephencatholic.org)

## Mustang Sports News



**BOYS BASKETBALL:** The boys basketball teams have a few weeks of practice before the games start. The teams are working on the skills and offensive and defensive strategies to make them successful this season. The first game is Tuesday January 22 vs Nativity in the St Stephen FLC. The varsity plays at 4:00 and JV at 5:00. Boys

basketball players must have their sports paperwork and \$65 fee turned in by Friday January 18 to be eligible to play in the games.

Please see the school website for the complete 2019 boys basketball schedule.



**GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL:** Girls flag football tryouts were Tuesday and all of the girls who tried out made the team. Mrs Stencel, is coaching the girls this season. The Mustangs will have a couple weeks of practice before their first game. The first game is scheduled for Wednesday January 30 vs St Lawrence here at St Stephen on the west field at 4:00. Girls flag football players must have their

sports paperwork and \$65 fee turned in by Monday January 28 to be eligible to play in the games. Please see the school website for the complete 2019 girls flag football schedule.

**TAMPA BAY BUCS MIDDLE SCHOOL VISIT:** The Tampa Bay Buccaneers youth outreach program will be on campus next Tuesday, January 15 to host their middle school Play 60 flag football stations. The event is for **grades 6-8 only** and the students will attend during their PE time. The Bucs community staff and some former players are scheduled to be here to run the kids through some fun drills and skills. Students/parents must fill out and turn in the waiver to participate by Tuesday. The Bucs said students **WILL NOT** be allowed to participate at the event without the waiver. Coach Green emailed the waiver to all of the families in 6th-8th grade on Tuesday. Please turn in the waiver to the office asap if you plan to attend. Coach Green is really excited for an exciting afternoon with the Buccaneers!

GO MUSTANGS  
Coach Green

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