

PRINCIPAL'S PAGE

Feb. 21, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians:

There are a few upcoming dates on the calendar. Please make note of them.

- PowerSchool has gone dark. Teachers are working on Report Cards.
- There is no school on March 1 because the teachers have a Professional Development Day.
- Report cards will be sent home on Mar. 6, 2024, unless there is an outstanding balance on an account.

The Archdiocese is conducting an annual survey to get feedback on school performance. It is through the University of Chicago. This survey helps the school with decision making for the future. It also allows the school to recognize areas of growth and success. Please follow the link and complete the survey.

The Parent Survey is open from February 12 – March 22, 2024. To take the survey please visit https://survey.5-essentials.org/archchicago/survey/parent/. If 20% of families participate, the school will have an out of uniform day on April 9, 2024.

Your feedback will help St. Celestine School navigate challenges, celebrate areas of strength and address areas for improvement. Taking time from your busy day to answer the survey is truly appreciated.

Thankfully,

Sheila M. Klich

Principal

PLEASE JOIN ST. CELESTINE PARENTS CLUB FOR...



Saturday March 2nd

6:00 PM to 10:30 PM

Filmcrest Banquets 7370 Grand Ave Elmwood Park, IL 60707

It's a night out for St. Celestine Friends and Family!

Guests 21 years and older will enjoy an **OPEN BAR** and **DINNER**, including appetizers, soup, salad, main course, and a sweets table!

ENTERTAINMENT includes music, classic game show fun, dancing, raffle baskets, split the deck, silent auction, and so much more!

Come as you are OR dress as your favorite game show host or contestant!

TICKETS \$70 PER PERSON

Early Bird Specials EXTENDED to February 22nd: Table of 10 for \$600!

Name:	# of Guest Tickets:
Email:	
Student Name:	Classroom #:
Cash or Checks payable to St. Celestine Parents' Club	Total \$:

Teacher Tickets!

Helps us invite the SCS Faculty & Staff to attend!

Many of our SCS faculty & staff have donated to our silent auction, and we would like to say Thank You by inviting them to Game Show Night!

Round up your ticket by \$10, \$20 or more to contribute to the SCS Faculty & Staff ticket pool!



Dear SCS Parents/Guardians:

St. Celestine Parents' Club is excited to once again offer an annual benefit for St. Celestine School!

St. Celestine School and Parents' Club has a long standing tradition of hosting an annual benefit to fundraise to support our school and school programming. The benefit has traditionally been a themed event with either a silent auction or fashion show as the focus, offering a social gathering for our school families, friends, parishioners, Elmwood Park community members, SCS faculty and staff, alumni, retired staff, and so many more!

Announcing 2024 St. Celestine's Annual Benefit...

St. Celestine Game Show Night

Elmcrest Banquets
March 2nd from 6:00 - 10:00 pm

The Event...

The Parents' Club is hoping our St. Celestine Families can join in the fun at the upcoming Annual Fundraiser *St. Celestine Game Show Night*. This event offers guests, 21 years and older, an open bar, dinner with appetizers, soup, salad, and main course, and a sweets table! The entertainment for the evening will not disappoint with music, classic game show fun, dancing, raffle baskets, split the deck, silent auction, and so much more! For the game show portion of the evening, guests will have the opportunity to compete for a chance to win tickets for the raffle baskets. Come as you are or have some fun with your attire and dress as your favorite game show host or contestant!.

You will receive two free raffle tickets with your event ticket. Additional raffle tickets will be available for purchase at the event. Invite family, friends, and everyone you know 21 years or older! Don't delay, get your tickets by February 15th and receive a \$5 discount on each ticket. Click here for the <u>ticket order form</u> and send in your response to the St. Celestine School main office.

SCS Silent Auction...

The Parents' Club Benefit Committee has been hard at work! Unique experiences with St. Celestine Faculty and Staff and over \$3000 worth of donated gift cards and goods, will be available on our live auction site.

This year, we are excited to announce our return to the online auction site for bidding on silent auction items. Not only are you able to bid from the convenience of your phone, but you will also get instant notifications should you be outbid!

What is a unique experience with St. Celestine Faculty and Staff? Our amazing teachers create experiences for SCS students and/or their families. We have once again asked our SCS Faculty & Staff to sponsor amazing experiences and special mementos.

From spa treatments to sporting events to restaurant gift cards, we are blessed with donations from area businesses! Do you have a <u>donation</u>? We are still accepting donations to our silent auction! Do you have a connection that could contribute an item or experience for the silent auction? Please reach out to parentsclub@stcelestineschool.org to share more information.

SCS Sponsored Raffle Baskets...

SCS has a long tradition of creating elaborate and exceptional raffle baskets from the generous donations of our SCS families. This year, we will once again work our magic with your donations! Please send in your Raffle Basket donation by Wednesday, February 21st. Each family is asked to make a contribution towards the raffle baskets based on these themes:

- Preschool, Kindergarten, and First Grade: "Adventure Awaits"
- Second and Third: "Play, Build, Create"
- Fourth and Fifth: "Teen Dream"
- Sixth and Seventh: "Dress to Impress" (Store Gift Cards)
- Eighth Grade: "What's for Dinner?" (Restaurant Gift Cards)

No time to shop? Consider a \$10.00 (or more) donation, and let Parents' Club shop for you! Please make all checks payable to *St. Celestine Parents' Club*.

To sweeten the pot, there is a friendly competition amongst the classes! The top three classes with the highest percentage of donations will receive a special classroom reward or celebration!

We look forward to seeing you at St. Celestine Game Show Night!

St. Celestine Parents' Club

St. Celestine School STOP Program

February, 2024

To: All Participants in the STOP program

From: Donna M. DelMedico

This is to notify you that the last date to order your gift cards, e-cards, or reloads for the 2023-2024 school year credit is March 1, 2024. All orders/payments must be turned in on or before that date.

For the St. Celestine families, your credit will be automatically applied to your tuition account at the end of March, and you will receive a statement with your remaining tuition balance.

My high school/college/church families, please send me an email to ddelmedico@stcelestineschool.org with the name of the institution you would like your check made out to. I hope to have those out by the end of May 2024.

Credits from orders placed during March 2, 2024 thru February 2025 will be applied to the 2024/2025 school year tuition/Educational Institution you have designated.

As always, should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the school office and thank you for supporting our STOP program and St. Celestine School!

Walk the labyrinth with your family!

Labyrinths hold the experience and power of transformation within them.

Palm Sunday, March 24
Monday through Thursday March 25 - 28
Good Friday, March 29

Noon - 5 PM

5 PM - 9 PM

9 AM - 9 PM

The labyrinth is a simple walking path used to meditate or quiet the mind. It is a path of reflection, contemplation and clarity. Labyrinths come in many sizes and patterns, but a labyrinth has only one path, there are no tricks to it or dead ends: it is not a maze.

The path winds throughout and becomes a mirror for where we are in our lives. The labyrinth is a wonderful tool for re-connecting the mind, body and spirit. For some, it allows self-realizations that provide peace, healing and comfort.

St. Mother Theodore Guerin Parish



3020 N. 76th Ct., Elmwood Park, IL 60707
Park in the lot and enter through the Annex door.

For detailed information on our labyrinth experience please visit: stguerinparish.org/labyrinth

