

*We are a faith-filled Catholic community called by God
to teach, nurture and guide our children
to achieve their God-given potential on life's journey to heaven.*

Faith Community Academic Excellence



February 13, 2019

Dear St. Teresa School Family,

Father Fulton had a beautiful homily on February 3rd that touched my heart! He spoke about how we have all kinds of worries and that we need to ask for the gift of hope. It truly touched home with me with the big and small worries that I have. For example, should I open up the gate or not for the staff to park; how should I respond to an email, getting ready for Kindergarten Preview, what to say in my newsletters, how are people going to respond to the Good Shepherd Scholarship and the raising of tuition, etc.? After reflecting on these “worries”, I placed them in Jesus’ Hands and said, “Jesus, I hope in you.” I also reflected that my worries are nothing compared to others. I am blessed with food, clothing and shelter. It is funny how once something is brought to one’s attention how it pops up all over the place as God’s reminder to us. So, on that Monday the responsorial psalm was, “Let your hearts take comfort, all who **hope** in the Lord.” Psalm 31:24. Jesus be with us on this journey of hope. God bless you all!

In the Heart of the King,
Sister Anne Joelle, C.K.

DATES for: February

- 13 **No PK or K** – Kindergarten Preview, 9:30 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
- 15 **No School** – faculty meeting; Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00-4:00 p.m.
- 16 St. Teresa Trivia Night, social: 6 p.m., trivia rounds 7 p.m.
- 18 **No School** – Teacher In-Service and CLC
- 21 Pius X Registration for 8th Grade at St. Teresa School
- 22 Jr. High Trivia Night, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament School gym (Free-includes pizza, pop, popcorn)
- 23 First Penance, 10 a.m.
- 27 8th grade NAEP test (National Assessment of Educational Progress)

THINGS BEING SENT HOME: Lunch & Library Notices; Snapcode Information; Scrip/Propelr End of Year Statements

ATTACHMENTS: 8th Grade Raffle flyer; Junior High Trivia Night flyer; Summer Solutions

PRAY FOR SEMINARIAN: Rev. Mr. Allan Phan, St. Vincent de Paul, Seward (apostolate)

NEW TUITION/SCHOLARSHIP: A video recording can be viewed from the first meeting at: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/kkdl1oc7qzo21xi/AAA7SFYUWvatVO0PBZzuNEpca?dl=0>

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION: A snapcode letter for students currently in grades PK – 7 are being sent home this week. Please destroy the letter that refers to the 2018-2019 school year. This new letter is the snapcode that you will use to complete the **Returning Student Registration for the 2019-2020** school year.

- **IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE 2018-2019 REGISTRATION:** Please use the snapcode that is included in your communication envelope for the Returning Students 2019-2020.
- **IF YOU HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THE 2018-2019 REGISTRATION:** Please wait to do the Returning Student 2019-2020 Registration. We are checking with the Diocese to see if we can take what you have already done and roll it into the next school year. Please hold onto the new snapcode letter that is in your communication envelope in case we are unable to push this through. We will keep you informed as we work our way through this process.
- **CURRENT 8th GRADE:** Please follow the instructions that Pius X gave you in order to register your student there. You should not be doing anything through St. Teresa School.

CONGRATULATIONS!

* Mrs. Schilmoeller who had a baby girl, Hazel Jane!

*Henry Cunningham's prolife essay entitled *Why I am Pro Life* received an Honorable Mention in Category 1 of the Culture of Life Studies Program 2018 pro-life essay contest! In recognition of his Honorable Mention, he will receive a set of pro-life stickers and a certificate of achievement. In addition, his essay is published at Prolifeessay.com. Thank you to all of our students for their enthusiasm and passion for protecting the least of these in our society! We are very proud of their dedication to life and pray that God continues to bless them as they stand for His precious children, giving courage, strength, and joy, as they influence their generation to stand for life!

DENTAL SCREENING: 79-248 states that "every school district shall cause every child under its jurisdiction to be separately and carefully inspected... to ascertain if such child is suffering from (1) defective sight or hearing, (2) dental defects, or (3) other conditions as prescribed by the Department of Health and Human Services. Therefore, if your children **have not** seen a dentist in the past year, please notify us by calling the office or sending an email to TAEL-AA@cdolinc.net We have a dentist coming on Feb. 27th at 9 a.m. to screen any students who haven't had a dental checkup in a year. 8th graders will be screened first as they have an 8th Grade NAEP test at 10:00 a.m.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES: Spring conferences will be held on **Friday, February 15th** from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.. Click on the link to sign up for a conference for PK – 5th grades, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Quinto and Mrs. Conroy (Title I). <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F44ABA728A31-parentteacher1>
Mrs. Schilmoeller will not be here. She is on her pregnancy leave. If you wish to conference with her please contact her in six weeks. The following teachers will be in the **lunchroom** to hold conferences: Mrs. Kudron, Mrs. Pokojski, Mr. Morris, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Hoeller, Mr. Navratil, Mrs. Fusselman. No sign-up is required. Because it is Spring Conferences, we are limited on time. Please visit only with the teachers that you need to in order to discuss your concerns or touch base with your child's homeroom teacher. Please be courteous of the time and be aware of the other parents in line. These meetings should be brief updates. If more needs to be discussed, please set up another time with that teacher.

NAEP TEST: Our 8th graders were randomly selected to take the reading and math test on Feb. 27. Our scores will be joined with others to represent private education in the U.S. on the Nation's Report Card. For more information visit https://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/participating/private_nonpublic.aspx.

PAGE ONE T SHIRTS: Jean Timmerman is collecting old Page One t shirts to give to new members who do not have them from past years. If you have an old Page One t shirt you are willing to part with, please contact Jean Timmerman or simply send it home with one of her children. If you are in need of a Page One t shirt, please contact Jean Timmerman (jeantimmerman@neb.rr.com).

LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES ELIMINATES LATE FEES: Overdue fees will no longer be charged on youth materials. Materials that are three weeks overdue will be considered lost and the customer will be charged a replacement fee. The replacement fee will be removed when the items are returned. The Library Director said that LCL research determined overdue fines have become an ineffective motivator to return books promptly. She said fines are an unnecessary barrier for children who often lack the autonomy or ability to return library materials on time, and for families who cannot afford to pay them.

8th GRADE RAFFLE! St. Teresa's 8th grade class is sponsoring a raffle to raise funds for their end of the year activities. Raffle items include a football signed by a current husker player, gift cards to Juice Stop and Marcus Theatres, a set of walkie-talkies, and a Game Basket. Tickets cost only 50¢. Students wanting to participate are asked to bring money in from February 11th through February 22. Drawing for prizes will be held on February 22nd. See attachment for details. **THANK YOU!**

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BOX TOPS: If you have any Box Tops, please send them to the school by **Friday, Feb 15**, to allow time to prepare them for shipping. Thank you for helping to raise money for our school!

2ND FRIDAY RECESS ADORATION: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4aafac283-2ndfriday>

SCRIP NEWS: January's Scrip profit was **\$1,150.41**. Our 2019 goal is \$25,000. To reach this goal our monthly profit average needs to be just above \$2,000 each month. In 2018 we reached \$17,000. Each year our Scrip profits have declined. We can't reach our goal without using Scrip. If you're not using Scrip, please consider learning how to. Your Scrip purchases matter. Your \$100/week translates to \$156/year or \$15,600 for 100 families. This model is a minimum, and remember, no one is spending more money because your \$100 HyVee card buys \$100 of groceries. Families that use

Scrip consistently are easily exceeding \$152. Can you create a habit to buy Scrip every week? Watch what happens if you do.

Scrip and Propelr are vital fundraisers for our school. If you have used Scrip or Propelr in 2018, you'll find your family report which will indicate the total rebates you've earned for St. Teresa's. Please note that the Propelr report is only through August rather than December. The Scrip report is for all 12 months.

Total Scrip and Propelr Rebates Earned by St. Teresa's School Families

\$0.01- \$1.00: 4	\$151.00 - \$200.00: 4
\$1.01 - \$10.00: 20	\$201.00 - \$350.00: 15
\$10.01 - \$50.00: 16	\$351.00 - \$500.00: 5
\$50.01-\$100.00: 14	\$501.00 - \$1500.00: 4
\$101.00 - \$150.00: 5	

Additionally, \$975.00 in rebates were earned because of the school and parish organizations that chose to use Scrip for purchases; another 18 families that do not have students at St. Teresa's school contributed between \$100-\$600 each. The combined rebate total for the two programs (Scrip through Dec. and Propelr through August) for 2018 is just over \$19,000. 28% of users earned less than \$10, which means they tried it but didn't continue to use it (reports show approximately 2 purchases on average.) The next 18% earned between \$10-\$50 and appear to have either begun using the program(s) and then stopped or made less than one purchase/month on average. There are 30% of our school families that did not use Scrip or Propelr in 2018. These statistics only support that there is an enormous potential to earn if more people would use Scrip and/or Propelr regularly. Remember, \$100/week translates to approximately \$150/year per family* or \$19,500 JUST FOR SCHOOL FAMILIES! This is more than we earned as an entire community with 22% of our school families earning over \$150 for the year. THIS IS POSSIBLE! *based on a 3% rebate. Please contact the office if there is an error.

UPCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS

MOTHER-DAUGHTER PROGRAM: Sunday, **March 3**, for 10-13 yr.-old girls and their mother at John XXIII Diocesan Center, **1-4 p.m.** Registration opened 1/18 online. See flyer for more details. To register go to <https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/mother-daughter-program>