



# St. Vincent Ferrer

January 20, 2023

Dear SVF Families,

It's another WHO-DEY FRI-DEY!!!! As long as the Bengals are in the playoffs, we are wearing our orange and black and Bengals shirts with our uniform bottoms on Fridays. Today is the feast day of St. Sebastian, the patron saint of athletes; be sure to ask your students about St. Sebastian. *St. Sebastian, pray for us!*

## LUNCH PROGRAM-ST. ALBERT NUTRITION SERVICES:

If you have questions about the school lunch program, you can direct your question to Cafeteria Coordinator, Stephanie Scanlon, by email at [Scanlon\\_s@svf-school.org](mailto:Scanlon_s@svf-school.org).

Lunches for next week (please note that a choice of fruits and veggies are offered with each lunch)

Monday: Chicken Poppers w/soft pretzel, Pizza, or PB&J Sandwich

Tuesday: Bosco Sticks w/sauce, Yogurt Power Pack, or PB&J

Wednesday: Baked Potato Bar, Pizza, or PB&J

Thursday: Cheeseburger, Yogurt Power Pack, or a PB&J Sandwich

Friday: Pepperoni Stuffed Crust Pizza or PB&J Sandwich

## THE READ-A-THON BEGINS ON MONDAY, JANUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>:

The Read-A-Thon starts on Monday, January 23 and ends on Monday, February 6. This is one of our biggest PTO fundraisers, and the best part is that you are not selling anything, just encouraging family and friends to sponsor your child to do the best thing he or she can do to increase long-term academic success- READ!!!! There are prizes for individual readers and group prizes for the top class and meeting school-wide goals.

As a part of the Read-a-Thon fun, "Dress as your favorite Book Character Day" is January 30<sup>th</sup>. This has become a favorite recent tradition. Now is the time to think about your favorite character. We cannot wait to see your costumes!!!!

## THE SPAGHETTI DINNER IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>

Save the date for the 10th annual St. Vincent Ferrer PTO Spaghetti Dinner on February 3, 2023! We are so excited to bring back this wonderful community event after a 2 year covid break, and we hope you will join us!

As you saw in yesterday's email, there are many ways that you can be involved in this exciting event.

- Follow our event page on Facebook and share this event with your neighbors, family, and friends! [SVF Spaghetti Dinner Facebook Event Page](#)
- Donate an item or two to the Class Baskets for the Raffle. Please send all items to school by this **Friday, Jan. 20** (See attached Flyer for details)
- Come eat with us!! Please see the attached flyer to order your tickets in advance!
- Enter the Sauce Contest! We will have 7 "Celebrity" Judges to decide who will be crowned the 10th Annual Sauce Contest Winner! Check out the attached entry form for contest rules.
- **Donate a nut free dessert (homemade or store bought)** to end our dinner on a sweet note! Drop off whole or individual desserts to the school or parish offices on Friday, Feb. 3rd.

- **Volunteer with us!** Because of the magnitude of this event, we will need 75+ volunteers to make the evening run smoothly. Please spend an hour or two volunteering at our event before or after you dine with us! Everyone who volunteers will have their name put into a drawing for the chance to win a fantastic prize! Please [visit the Volunteer Sign Up \(CLICK HERE\)](#) to find a time that works for you!

\*If you are interested in joining the planning committee, please email Bridget Dennis at [bbbm723@gmail.com](mailto:bbbm723@gmail.com)

### **REGISTRATION FOR OUR CURRENT STUDENTS AND NEW PRESCHOOL AND PRE-K STUDENTS IS GOING ON NOW:**

Just a reminder that registration for next school year is taking place now for current students. Please note that we are registering for next school year earlier this year than we have in previous years. You will want to take advantage of the discounted rate for early registration. **For Registration from January 1<sup>st</sup> -January 29<sup>th</sup> - the fee is \$75 per child. Once Open Registration opens on January 30<sup>th</sup>, registration is full price at \$100 per child.**

Our Preschool and PreK registration is now open to the public. If you have younger children that are old enough for either of these programs next year, you will want to be sure to register as soon as possible, since we already have several children enrolled in these programs. We are anticipating that these classes will fill quickly; last year we had a waiting list of 10 children for PreK. If you have friends with children in these grade levels, please share this enrollment information with them. Your word-of-mouth recommendation is our very best advertisement!!!!

### **LOOKING AHEAD.... MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**Catholic Schools Week is almost here!** Please see the attached schedule of events for this exciting week. We will have two collections for Catholic Schools Week. Both collections offer families the opportunities to donate used items from home without any extra cost. Please consider contributing.

**Soles 4 Souls Shoe collection-**This organization collects unwanted shoes and distributes them to people in a financial crisis situation. We will have collection boxes for the used shoes that your students bring in, and we will donate them to Soles 4 Souls.

**Battery-operated toy and battery drive for Hamilton County ESC-** We are collecting new and gently used battery-operated toys and batteries to donate to Hamilton County Education Support Center that they will use to create adaptive toys for children with disabilities. (That's right parents-now is your chance to rid your child's toybox of battery operated toys that you would like to "disappear." 😊 )

**Open House is Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 12:00-2:30:** Please plan to join us for Open House this year! Of course, we will be welcoming prospective families, but we also want you and your family to be a part of this exciting day! This is a great time for your child to show you what they are doing at school. We would like every student that attends to stop by next year's classroom so that they can see what exciting things are ahead for them in the 2023-24 school year. Students that stop by next year's classroom will receive an out-of-uniform pass to be used on Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>.

Additionally, we invite your students and your families to attend 11:00 Mass on January 29<sup>th</sup>. We are asking our students to come *in their school uniforms* to represent SVF School. It is wonderful for our parishioners to see our students at church celebrating the Mass and kicking off Catholic Schools Week as a community.

God Bless you All,

Mrs. Mikki Dunkley

Principal, St. Vincent Ferrer School

***"Let it Begin With Me."***

*SVF School theme for 2022-2023 school year*