

Home & School Newsletter

Week of: 12/2/2019

Please read below for some important information from St. Anne Home & School (PTO).

- **Poinsettia Pick up Today!** Please come at 2pm to the Gathering Space in the Church!
- **This Friday 12/6 is Pizza Day/Change for Charity/Dress Down Day!** Thank you to all who have signed up. Please remember there is no SmartLunch available on Special Lunch days. If you did not purchase pizza for your child, please pack a lunch.
- **This Friday 12/6 is also the Shopping Event at Kendra Scott 6-8pm at the Deer Park Mall!** Just in time to start tackling your Christmas list...join us for a fun night of shopping. Sips & sweets will be provided! A portion of the proceeds will benefit St. Anne School!
- **Next week is the Secret Santa Shop! Thursday 12/12 - Friday 12/13!** Wish lists will be sent home this week. Please preview the items online and help your child select what they would like to purchase from the shop. <https://0310110.holidaytreasuresgiftshop.com/> Please send cash or a blank check made out to St. Anne School. The teachers will bring their class through to shop on Thursday or Friday next week.
- **Wellness Committee Update: December is Giving Month!** This month is about celebrating those individuals, groups and organizations who invest their lives in charity. We will be asking the following of our students this month:
  - 1). Donate clothing / household items
  - 2). Each classroom will nominate someone to be recognized.
  - 3). Teacher Tuesday will be on 12/17. Students can bring in donations for their classroom (ie. Kleenex, wipes, construction paper, etc.)
- **It's Advent and a time for giving!** Teachers either have or will shortly send home information on giving to our Sharing Parishes, so please watch for those. In addition, there are ornaments on the Christmas Trees in the Church Gathering Space, should you wish to give more. Thank you!
- **Teacher Appreciation Fund Reminder:** the School Board sent a message in the Cardinal Connection regarding the Annual Teacher Appreciation Fund. Please consider participating and helping to show our wonderful faculty and staff how much we appreciate them and all that they do for our St. Anne Parish School and community. For your convenience online donations may be made [HERE](#) or a check, payable to Saint Anne Teacher Appreciation Fund, may be mailed/dropped off at the school through Friday, December 13. The Christmas gift will be given to our teachers and staff prior to the Christmas break.
- **Box Top Collection Information & Class Contest (now until 12/16)!** Over the summer, participating brands have begun to change their packaging from the traditional Box Tops clip to

the new digital Box Tops label. It's so easy now...simply download the new app from the Apple App Store or Google Play. Just remember to set St. Anne as your home school, and scan your receipts at your convenience! You have **14 days** from the purchase date to scan and earn credit for St. Anne.

If you still have traditional box top clips at home, please send them into school! We can still earn cash for all clipped Box Tops until they expire.

Please help by sending in Box Tops with your child and/or scanning in your receipts. We are having a class contest! **The grade with the most Box Tops sent in from now until December 16 wins a prize!** These will be collected in the classrooms.

- **Jog-a-thon donations needed!** As we reach the end of our collection for Jog a thon donations, we want to remind you of a few important points. Jog a thon is our biggest fundraiser of the year. The money raised through your generous donations supports the school in many important ways. We have planned to receive \$150 per student from each family. If you have not yet donated, please consider doing so and making your donation today.

We have currently raised a little over \$18,000 and are at 53% student participation, which is only halfway to our goal. We can do better! We are really hoping for close to 100% participation! Let's get those numbers up and keep those Jog-a-thon pledges coming! Should you need to access the form or information, click here: <http://stanneschoolbarrington.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Jog-a-thon-PDF.pdf>

\*Please note there is an option to submit donations through Give Central. Please visit: [www.givecentral.org](http://www.givecentral.org). If you donate through GiveCentral, please still complete the Jog a thon form and turn in a copy of the Give Central donation with it, so that we can credit your child and their class accordingly. **As a reminder there are prizes for the student and the class that raises the most!**

- **Yankee Candle Sales: online sales continue until 1/8/2020!** Please help support St. Anne by selling Yankee Candles to family, friends & neighbors. Don't forget about family and friends that do not live close by! Click here to access the online sale: <https://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com/store.htm> or here to access online shopping information: <http://stanneschoolbarrington.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Yankee-Candle.pdf>
- Thank you to all those that participated in last month's Dining Out Event at Morettis in Barrington! This was a fun and easy way to socialize outside of school while raising funds!

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