

April 5th, 2024

Important Dates Coming Up

- 4/7 4/12: 2nd Dominga for the School (See information below!)
- 4/14 @ 9:30am: Crowning Mass for the 2nd Dominga
- 4/15 4/19: April Vacation No School!
- 4/22 @ 6:30pm: PTO Meeting
- 4/26: ½ Day of School Professional Development for Teachers
- 4/26: Spring Dance from 6:00 8:00pm (Tickets on sale in the office! \$5.00 per person)
- 5/4 @ 11:00am: 1st Communion for the School Children

New Announcements

FR Public Library Book-mobile (Update): The Bookmobile will be visiting our school on Tuesdays @ 12:15pm for Grades K-3, and then on Thursdays @ 8:30am for Grades 4-8. In order for a student to borrow books, they must have a Fall River Library card. Please fill out the form to apply for one, and return the completed form to the school. (Link to Form)



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Solar Eclipse on Monday (Message from Mrs. Cabral): As many of you know, a solar eclipse is expected on Monday, April 8. Although we are not on the path of totality, where the Sun would be completely eclipsed by the Moon, we are still in a zone where we will be able to see about 90% of the Sun eclipsed. We know that we should NEVER LOOK DIRECTLY AT THE SUN without protective equipment. We have purchased ISO certified solar eclipse glasses which will be distributed on Monday, April 8 to all students in *grades kindergarten through 8th grade*. Cameras and phones should not be used to view the partial eclipse as it can cause permanent eye damage. Also, the ISO certified glasses do not allow people to see any light except for the sun, so people should not be walking around with them on. (They are almost like a blindfold.) Welding shields and sunglasses are not helpful in seeing the eclipse or fully protective either. In addition, on Monday, April 8, students are welcome to join Mrs. Cabral in viewing the (partial) solar eclipse from the ESS parking lot right after dismissal until 3:30 PM. Please let us know if your student will be joining us by emailing Mrs. Cabral at dcabral@es.dfrcs.org. If you have any other concerns, please reach out to Nurse Turcotte at nurse@es.dfrcs.org.



From The Principal's Desk

Raffle Calendars: You should have received copies of latest fundraiser. It is a raffle calendar for the month of May. Each calendar is \$10.00, and one chance per entry. The purpose of this raffle calendar is to raise money for the continued investment of security in our school. In order to reach our goal, we need your help! As stated earlier, each calendar is \$10. You may pay with cash, or by check (made payable to Espirito Santo School).

Starting May 1st and everyday thereafter, we will pull a name on our Facebook page, which can be found at facebook.com/espiritosantoschool. The daily prizes range from \$50 to \$100 (Total prizes are \$2000!) It is our goal to have at least 5-7 calendars sold by each family. Please help us make this fundraiser a success. Please return the top portion of the raffle calendar to be included in the drawing to the school. If you need additional copies, please contact the school office.



OPEN HOUSE
Wednesday, April 10th
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.



Bishop Stang Spring Open House Event: Wednesday, April, 10, 2024; 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

The Spring Open House is the perfect opportunity for 6th and 7th grade families who are looking to get an introduction to Bishop Stang High School, as well as, late grade 9 or transfer applicants for 2024-2025. This event will offer a brief presentation, followed by a student guided campus tour, and an opportunity to speak to faculty, staff, and current parents. Pre-registration is requested however, walk-ins are always welcome: Spring Open House 2024 Registration



Welcome to Mrs. Arruda:

I would like to welcome Mrs. Deborah Arruda to our school family! Mrs. Arruda previously worked at Bishop Connolly High School, and most recently at the Catholic Schools Office. She will be joining us on a part-time basis in the school office. She can be contacted by email at darruda@es.dfrcs.org. Welcome to ESS!

Announcements from Prior Memos

FACE (**Financial Aid**): If you missed the deadline, you can still apply for 2nd round of funding. I strongly encourage families to apply. Remember, this would be for students entering K-8 next year. (**Click here to begin!**)

April Lunch Calendar: The lunch calendar can be found here at our school website (<u>link</u>).



CORIs: As we continue through the school year, events like field trips and field day will take place. If you intend to volunteer, you must have a valid/active CORI with the Diocese. Renewals must include the CORI form, Code of Conduct & copy of the front/back of your license. New CORIs must include the CORI, Code of Conduct, copy of the front/back of your license **and completed safe environment training certificate.** Please contact me with any questions regarding this. (Link to Office of Safe Environment)

Save the Date – Color Run: Please save the date for Friday, May 10th! Espirito Santo School, in collaboration with Booster will host the 1st annual Color Run! Mrs. Pacheco is helping to coordinate the event. More details to come! We will be looking for volunteers! If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Pacheco in the school office. (Please note that you need an active CORI to participate.)

Save the Date – Field Day: Please save the date for Field Day! Grades 4-8 will have field day on May 22nd, and Grades PS-3 (with 8th grades assistance) will be on May 23rd. *More details to come!*

Save the Date – 8th Grade Graduation: We will celebrate the accomplishments of our 8th graders on Saturday, June 15th at 10:00am in the church.

Chocolate Bars: If you need additional boxes of chocolate, please contact Mrs. Pacheco in the office.

Re-Registration Forms Are Due: Now that we are in March, it is important that all reregistration forms have been returned. We have been getting a lot of interest in our school! Please return your forms and scholastic fee this week. Thank you!

Survey Request: On behalf of the Diocese of Fall River and the Office of Strategic/Pastoral Planning, please complete the short, two-minute survey, at this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CJ7PT9Y

Website Testimonials: We are building a testimonial section for our school website! Please take a moment to write a testimonial at the following link: https://www.espiritosantoschool.org/request-for-testimonials/

New Students: If you know of anyone who may be interested in our school, please have them contact me directly. Our school website also has information on how to enroll. Please have them visit https://www.espiritosantoschool.org/es-family/

Important Documents: Many of the important documents are posted on our school website, at the following link: https://www.espiritosantoschool.org/helpful-links/



Uniform Policy: Please be sure that your student is dressed according to the uniform policy. It can be reviewed here: http://www.espiritosantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/Uniform-Policy-2023-2024.pdf Please note that uniforms are only allowed from Donnelly's & Advanced Embroidery (Link). Custom made items are not permitted.



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