



St. Elizabeth School

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Dear St. Elizabeth Families,

Tomorrow is the last day of May! Can you believe we are now in the final stretch of this school year. Our 6th, 7th and 8th graders are preparing for their exams and this Friday night our 8th graders will attend their semi-formal dance with the students from neighboring Catholic Schools.

Tuesday, June 4th is the last HSA meeting of the year. Our HSA has done a phenomenal job this year with meeting funding goals. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the various fundraisers. Without your volunteerism, we would not be able to do all the wonderful things for your children. I know the HSA is still looking for volunteers for the upcoming year, please contact any HSA Board member to sign up to help our school.

Friday, June 7th is a half day as it is First Friday. Friday June 14th will be a half day as well to accommodate graduation which begins at 4:30. There will not be aftercare on the 14th. The last week of school, Monday and Tuesday are full days and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will be half days.

Monday June 10th is Field Day. Grades K-8 will walk over to the YMCA and swim in the lake. If you have any concerns, please contact the school nurse, Mrs. Jaffe. June 18th is the Track Dinner here in the gym.

Monday, June 17th is PK3 Moving Up Celebration and Tuesday the 18th is PK4 Moving Up Celebration. On Wednesday June 19th our Kindergartners will be Moving Up as well. So many events to look forward to!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Sincerely,

Karen A. Lewis

2019/2020 St. Elizabeth Crusaders' First LEGO League Team

Now Forming!

5th – 8th grade

Mr. Grasso is organizing a St. Elizabeth Crusaders' First Lego League Team to compete in the 2019 First LEGO Robotics Challenge – “City Shaper”!

About the FIRST LEGO League Challenge:

Every year FIRST, a non-profit robotics organization, hosts the *FIRST* LEGO Tournament. This year's theme is “City Shaper” and revolves around building the cities of the future.

Teams of ~10 students, led by two or more coaches, research the “Challenge”, a real-world problem such as food safety, recycling, energy, etc., and need to develop a solution. The team also must design, build, and program a robot using LEGO MINDSTORMS® as part of the challenge.

At the Tournament, teams present their solution to a panel of judges and compete in the robot table-top playing field. Teams can win a variety of awards and the potential to advance to additional tournaments.

Links with more details are provided below:

<https://info.firstinspires.org/first-rise-2020>

<https://www.firstinspires.org/robotics/fll/what-is-first-lego-league>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9qeBFyYp0>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=reSKSbTo_k

About the St. Elizabeth Crusaders' Team:

Season: Our build season will run from the beginning of school through November. We may also hold a handful of optional meetings over the summer to prepare for the build season (subject to availability). We will enter a tournament in November or December. The challenge details are released on 8/1.

Time Commitment: We will have one meeting per week for ~2-3 hours. We may increase the frequency of our meetings to a couple of times per week for the 2-3 week period prior to the Tournament. Meetings will most likely be on a weeknight from ~5:30 – 8:00. We will finalize that once we have a better sense of fall schedules. No Robotics experience is required.

Cost: There will be a per student cost of \$100 to cover registration fees, equipment, and other miscellaneous costs.

Important Dates:

Sign up ends: 6/9

Introduction Meeting: 6/11

FLL releases challenge: 8/1

Optional Orientation Meetings: End of Aug

Build Season with weekly team meetings: September – November

Tournament(s): November or December

Please contact Chris Grasso at csgrasso@gmail.com if your child is interested in joining the team or you have any questions.

BABY SUPPLIES DRIVE FOR BIRTHRIGHT



The National Junior Honor Society members have been busy for the last two months making baby blankets to donate to Birthright in Maywood, NJ.

The NJHS is asking for your help with donations of additional baby supplies for the mothers and babies served by Birthright.

Items are due by 6/4/19

Pre-K 3: pacifiers

Pre-K 4: teething toys or rattles

Kindergarten: plastic baby bottles

1st: baby wipes

2nd: diaper cream

3rd: baby shampoo

4th: baby lotion

5th: plastic baby bottles

6th: onesies

7th: diaper cream

8th: baby wipes



Donations of disposable diapers and baby formula are also welcome and appreciated!



**Thank you for
your generous
support!**



TRACK DINNER

Tuesday, June 18th at 6 pm

St. Elizabeth School Gym

Dinner, Dessert and Awards

Dancing and Games

Catered by, Nicholas Markets & Espositos

*Please note that even if you cannot attend the dinner, we ask that every family contributes \$10 for each child who participates in track to go towards coaches' gifts. Thank you.

Family Name _____

____ Adult(s) at \$25 each = \$ _____

____ Child(ren) at \$15 each = \$ _____ (4 yrs. old & under, no cost)

____ We cannot attend but please accept this contribution towards the coaches' gifts \$ _____

Family Total = \$ _____

Attendance cost is inclusive of dinner, DJ, and coaches' gifts. Please complete & tear off this portion and return to school ASAP with cash or check made payable to **St. Elizabeth HSA** in an envelope marked **TRACK DINNER**, Attn: Nikki Rice

Any questions, please email Nikki Rice at Nikkisava@aol.com

*****All children must be accompanied by an adult.**