

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

I hope you had the opportunity to enjoy some downtime with family and friends last week. On Monday, the students looked well rested, happy to see their classmates and ready to settle back into their daily routine.

Have a good week!

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin
Principal

Attached to the Weekly are the following:

Parent Safety Patrol Calendar March 2019 – Grade 4
Permission Slip – Grade 5
Permission Slip – Grade 6
Permission Slip – Grade 8
CulinArt March Lunch Menu – Grades K-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

***Important to Note:**

- Thursday, February 28th – **Grade 2 First Holy Communion Parent Meeting** at 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Wallace Hall.
- Friday, March 1st – **Faculty Meeting – 12:00 p.m. Dismissal. No After School Care.**
- Friday, March 1st – **Celtic Celebration.**
- Wednesday, March 6th – **Ash Wednesday** – Lent Begins.
- Wednesday, March 6th – **Grades K and 1 – Prayer Service** at 10:00 a.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Wednesday, March 6th – **Grades 2-8 – Prayer Service** in the Church at 1:15 p.m. All are welcome to attend.
- Thursday, March 7th – **Lenten Prayer Service** Grades K-3 in McKinnon Hall.
- Sunday, March 10th – **Daylight Savings Time – Set 1 hour ahead.**
- Wednesday, March 13th – **Lenten Prayer Service** Grades 4-8 in McKinnon Hall.
- Wednesday, March 13th – **Reconciliation** Grades 3-5 at 1:15 p.m.
- Thursday, March 14th - **Lenten Prayer Service** Grades K-3 in McKinnon Hall.
- Thursday, March 14th – **Reconciliation** Grades 6-8 at 1:15 p.m.

***Parent Information:**

- Congratulations to our Junior Varsity Girls' and Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball Teams. They played in the C.Y.O. Championship Games on Sunday, February 24th. The Girls' Team played a competitive game against Epiphany School. I am happy to share that they brought home the second place trophy.

The Boys' Team played an equally competitive game against St. Brigid's and I am thrilled to share they brought home the first place trophy.

Congratulations to both teams and to the coaches on a great season!

- Congratulations is also in order to the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola Children's Choir. Several members of the choir have been accepted into the OAKE National Honor Choir. The students were accepted based on their recorded vocal audition. The students will be traveling to Columbus, Ohio in March.

Congratulations to the vocalists who will be traveling to Ohio:

Lara Daliana
Pia Daliana
Lucy Docil
Juliet Kelly
Madison Kelly
Eileen Grace Roche
Maggie Zito

- It is important to note that the calendar is now in the parental portal. Please contact Mr. Tom Clarke if you misplaced the password.

- **Date Changes from the Calendar:**

Wednesday, **March 13th**, - Conferences for Kindergarten through Second Grade are cancelled.

Thursday, **March 14th**, Conferences for Kindergarten through Second Grade are cancelled.

Friday, **May 24th**, is a full day of school.

Friday, **May 31st**, is a noon dismissal.

- **A Gentle Reminder**

We appreciate the worry and concern of childcare. However, it is crucial if your child is sick or feels sick in the morning prior to leaving for school, that you do not send him/her to school. It is very upsetting to your child when he/she vomits in the school. A sick person in the building impacts others in the building. It creates a domino effect for all of us.

Equally important to note, your child must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. If your child is in fact fever free, but is still presenting with symptoms, we cannot stress enough that he/she should stay home. A sick child cannot perform to the best of his/her ability and there is a risk that others in the building will get sick.

We ask that you not contact the school to ask the name of the students who are sick. It is a violation of the family's privacy.

- **Kindergarten through Second Grade Parent Information**

After a discussion with the kindergarten through second grade teachers, feel the additional parent/teacher conferences originally scheduled for **Wednesday, March 13th and Thursday, March 14th** are **not** necessary. Hence, we have decided to cancel them. If you do wish to meet with your child's teacher, we encourage you to contact the teacher directly to schedule an appointment.

It is important to note that, since the conference days have been cancelled, there **WILL BE** after school care for the kindergarten through second grade students on **March 13th and March 14th**.

- **Eighth Grade Parent Information**

As we look ahead to spring, the day your child receives the Sacrament of Confirmation will be here sooner than you know it. Confirmation is scheduled for **Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.**

Confirmation Information

Confirmation Data Sheets were due to Ms. Larkin on **Thursday, February 14, 2019.**

Confirmation Retreat Letters

Parent letters written for the Confirmation children must be returned in a sealed envelope displaying your child's name and labeled, "**Confirmation Retreat**". These letters should be submitted directly to Mrs. Meghan Sanchez-Pena, no later than **Wednesday, March 20, 2019.**

It is crucial that your child receive at least one letter from you. If additional members of your family wish to write to your child, by all means, encourage them to do so. The letters will be given to your child during the retreat.

Eighth Grade Retreat

All Eighth Grade students are required to attend the retreat on **Wednesday, March 27, 2019**. This includes students who are not being confirmed. The retreat is a part of the Eighth Grade's Religion class.

High School Information

Over the course of the last week and in the upcoming weeks, you will be hearing from the high schools that your son/daughter has applied to. The schools contact you directly regarding his/her acceptance, wait list or not accepted status. I ask that you submit **directly to Ms. Larkin's office, not your child's homeroom teacher**, a hard copy of any letters he/she receives so that we can be apprised of the results. Please do not email any letters or attachments. If you have already emailed copies of the letters, please resubmit a hard copy of the letters directly to Ms. Larkin's office.

If your child is offered a merit scholarship, **a copy of the letter from the high school** must be submitted **directly to the Ms. Larkin's office, not to your child's homeroom teacher**, in order for your child to be recognized at graduation. Again, if you have already emailed a copy of the scholarship letter, please resubmit a hard copy of the letter(s) directly to Ms. Larkin's office. The deadline for all letters to be given to Ms. Larkin is Thursday, February 28th.

If the letter is a form letter, please include your child's name on the top of the page.

- **From the Development Office:**
Celtic Celebration

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Annual Celtic Celebration this Friday evening, March 1st.

Wristbands for Friday evening will be sent home with your child on **Thursday**. Please contact the Development Office at sakalisa@saintignatiusloyola.org if you do not receive your wristbands.

Wristbands need to be worn the night of the event for quick and easy entry into McKinnon Hall.

If you are not able to attend and would like to lend support, please try your luck with our Celtic 50/50 Raffle. Raffle tickets are available at the front office or by emailing sakalisa@saintignatiusloyola.org.

We are asking for dessert donations. Easy to pick up and serve items are ideal, along with the traditional soda bread. Please remember to keep all desserts nut free. We try our best to keep as nut free as possible.

Volunteers are needed during the event to assist with beverages and food. If you are attending, and would like to volunteer, please contact Anna Sakalis at sakalisa@saintignatiusloyola.org.

A gentle reminder, we appreciate and understand the children are excited to spend time with their friends, however we do ask that you keep a watchful eye over them. The space is not conducive to running and hiding.

2019 Benefit Auction

Our 2019 Benefit Auction is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th. If you are trying to decide what to wear for the event – think “creative black tie” (suggested).

As in every school year, the evening's success is through your support and that of the entire Saint Ignatius Loyola School community.

Our goal this year is to reach 100% participation rate with respect to donations and attendance. As you know, this is our largest fundraiser endeavor of the year! No donation is too big or too small.

When thinking of donations, consider establishments you frequent with friends or with your family. Examples of such experiences are behind the scene tours that are not typically open to the public, cooking classes, exercise classes, sporting events, hotels, restaurants, entertainment, fashion, beauty, health, nutrition ... The list is endless.

It is important to note that all donors and establishments are recognized and thanked in the auction catalog and at the event.

Please contact Anna Sakalis in the Development Office at extension 135 or by email at sakalisa@saintignatiusloyola.org if you have any questions regarding the Auction, donations or if you need an electronic version of our auction letter and donation form.

- **Musical Rehearsal Reminder (3/1)**

Dear Seussical, Jr. Parents:

This is just a reminder that there will be musical rehearsal this Friday from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Please send your child to rehearsal with lunch. If you are not sure if your child is expected at this rehearsal, please check the schedule. If you need a new copy of the schedule, extra copies can be found in the main lobby in front of the office. Feel free to contact me at 212-861-3820 x143.

Thank you!
Ms. Emily Hudson
Musical Director

- **STARS Summer Camp 2019**

There is still time to sign up for Saint Ignatius Loyola School's STARS Summer Camp! Join us for sports, music, crafts, outdoor fun, field trips, and much more!

Camp will run for the following four weeks. You have the option to sign up as many or as few weeks as you'd like!

Week 1: June 24th- June 28th
Week 2: July 1st - July 5th (off on the 4th)
Week 3: July 8th - July 12th
Week 4: July 15th - July 19th

Stop by the office for a flyer and a registration form or contact Ms. Maeve Mulholland (ext. 142) for more information.

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