

# St. Francis de Sales PTO Newsletter



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#### PTO-AT-A-GLANCE

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Celebrate Fibonacci Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>
- PTO meeting Dec 8

#### PTO Goals Met

- 1. Recess Equipment
- 2. Point of Service Module

#### PTO Goals Remaining

- 1. \$200 teachers and staff
- 2. 20 more Chromebooks
- 3. Playground Equipment
- 4. Textbooks
- 5. Headsets for Computer Lab
- 6. Snowshoe Purchase
- 7. Online teacher subscriptions

#### **Total Goal - \$17,200**



#### **PTO Meeting Highlights**

- Getting closer to having Electronic Forms
- Calendar of Events
- Read-a-thon Progress
- Flamingo Flocking Fundraiser
- Santa Shoppe Event

## FALL FUNDRAISER... READ-A-THON

The read-a-thon is wrapping up.

The numbers will be tallied, sponsorships paid and then we will



know the winners! The reality

is that our kids are the winners! We have heard stories of kids who are relucant readers picking up books. Kids reading to other kids. And a bonding over books that can be done whether you are next to each other or across the school. And with the final day being Drop and Read day tied with a yearbook fundraiser we are all working together. Thanks everyone for helping to pull this together!

# Future Fundraiser...Coming Catholic Schools Week...Flamingo Flocking!



### Santa Shoppe

In the world before Covid, December would have meant kids coming to the Santa Shoppe to pick out presents for their loved ones. However, due to all the uncertainty, we have decided not do this event. We are very sad because we have as much fun as the kids helping them shop! We are trying to work on an alternative. Stay tuned as we are working to overcome the challenges ahead of us.

### Monthly Celebration November 23<sup>rd</sup> Fibonacci Day



Every November 23rd, Fibonacci Day honors Leonardo Bonacci, one of the most influential mathematicians of the Middle Ages. The date corresponds to the first numbers of the Fibonacci sequence – 1 1 2 3.

Fibonacci is an Italian mathematician. Fibonacci invented the Fibonacci sequence. This pattern of counting means that each number is the sum of the previous two. (0,1,1,2,3,5,8,13, etc.) Computer data storage and processing uses this number sequence today. Another unexpected place we find the sequence is in nature. DNA patterns and hurricanes contain patterns showing this sequence. Math and science classes refer to the Fibonacci sequence as "nature's secret code" or "nature's universal rule." Additionally, the number sequence is tied to the golden ratio and the golden triangle.

Look for some special treats and lessons on that day!

## gofundme

Since parents have limited access to the school right now, we felt it would be difficult to do the giving tree as we have done in years past. We ask that you check with your teacher to see if there is something they need for their classroom.

Instead we are going to do a gofundme drive to try and raise \$500 to get more headsets for the computer lab.

Watch for more information coming soon!