

# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School

Monday News

February 19, 2019

*"It's not about how much you do,  
but how much love you put into what you do that counts."*

*~Mother Teresa*

## **Message from Principal Angie Krauss:**

**Dear Families,**

It touched my heart to witness the strong sense of community between children and staff on Valentine's Day! It is heartwarming to see students acknowledge their friends with special words of affirmation in their Valentine cards. We all need to be valued and loved.

**I know it is hard to believe, but registration for current families will begin on March 11th.** Below is a list of reminders and items that need to be completed during the registration process.

- Please turn in the "intent to register" letter handed out last week informing us whether you will return next year. If it is easier please call the front office and let Kelli Kelly or Aleisha Webb know your status for next year.
- If you are a practicing Catholic family and plan to apply for Fair Share you will need to complete the FACTS tap grant which is available online <https://nazarethguild.org/tuition-assistance-program/> Please don't hesitate to contact myself or Dawn Manfred if you need assistance with this process.
- We will announce the new tuition and ELC rates for next school year on February 26th.
- Your financial account must be current to register on March 11th
- Fair share meetings will begin on March 11th through March 25th
- We will begin to fill open spots from our wait list on March 27th. Please be mindful that if your account is not current by this date your spot will not be guaranteed

We will be holding our annual Open House this Thursday and Friday in our ELC and K-8 programs. Please let your friends and family know to call the front office if they would like to schedule a personal tour of our outstanding school!

I hope you have a blessed week!

In Christ's Peace,

Angie Krauss

***Message from ELC Administrator Julie Simmons:***

Greetings ELC Families:

In recent weeks you may have seen and heard more detail from your child's teacher about the components of the Conscious Discipline program we have been implementing in our classrooms. Teachers are reframing their language to describe behavior; rather than describing a behavior as "good" or "bad", we are noting behaviors as "safe" or "unsafe" and helping the children learn to define it this way too. We have also adopted S.T.A.R. breathing...**S**mile, **T**ake a deep breath, and **R**elax as a new skill to help all of us regain composure from a state of upset to a state of calm. Teachers have also identified Safe Places inside the classroom; these are designated areas for kiddos to go to practice calming strategies, to identify current feeling states, choose an activity to calm, and with the teacher's help find a solution to the problem. Please don't hesitate to check in with your child's teacher about these exciting new developments in our center!

If you have not yet had a chance to fill out the "intent to register" letter left on your child's cubby last week, please complete it right away...registration for our current families will open March 11. In addition, all accounts must be current in order to register for next year. Thanks very much for your help with this.

We so appreciate your help sending your child with snow boots, snow pants/coat, extra socks, and a change of clothing everyday. With the temps warming up, we are playing outside on our fun winter wonderland playground. Thanks for your help with this!

Make it a wonderful week!

Blessings,

Julie

***ALL-SCHOOL: Mark your Calendars:***

- **Feb 21-22: Open House**
- **Mar 5-7: Accreditation**
- **Mar 6: Ash Wednesday Mass-St. Al's Church @ 12:15PM**
- **Mar 8: Diocesan In-Service- No School/ELC Closed**
- **Mar 21: Lenten Season Mass**
- **Mar 22: Parent/Teacher Conferences- No School/ELC Open**
- **Mar 28: Lenten Reconciliation- 10:00am @ St. Al's Church**
- **April 1-5: Spring Break- No School/ELC Open**

***Important Notes & Reminders:***

### ***Mission Advancement - Friendraising & Fundraising:***

- **Open House 2019:** Hey, St. Al's Families! If you know that friends and/or family members are interested in enrolling their children at our wonderful school, please encourage them to call and schedule a tour this Thursday or Friday. We'd love to meet them and answer any questions they may have about our programs. :)

### **Volunteering:**

#### **Box Tops:**

Please continue to bring in your Box Tops! There are new February collection sheets available at the Box Tops board.

- 50 Box Tops= 1 volunteer our AND gets our school \$5!

You can also download the Box Tops app for coupons and bonus Box Tops offers

#### ***STAG Pride/Kudos/Prayers:***

- We pray for all those battling terminal illness that you will give them and their families strength during this difficult time.
- We pray for the success of our Open House and for the children we serve on a daily basis at St. Al's!

### **Attachments**

- Parish Bulletin
- Letter of Intent to return