



Cardinal Connect



December 14, 2017

Core Virtue of the Month: "Charity"

- Charity is caring and working to be kind.
- Charity is self-less giving to those in need.

Free dress on Friday, December 15



This year the SPLS Staff will be praying specifically for our students and their families. Each week we will draw the names of three students from a prayer box and pray for them over the course of the next week. This week we are praying for the following students: **Pranika (PS 3), Colton (PS 4am) and Lizzie (7).**



The PTO is holding a three month fundraiser in cooperation with California Pizza Kitchen. Flyers and cards were handed out last week but we have **extras** in the school office. Keep in mind that we also have California Pizza Kitchen gift cards in the office. The school gets **20%** of your food purchase and if you use a Scrip gift card we earn an additional **8%**!



Our first **Auction Committee Meeting** is **today** in the school library at **3:15 pm**. If you attend the meeting, extended care is provided for free for St. Philip students grades Jr. K-8. Due to licensing restrictions, we can't watch younger students. You are welcome to bring them to the meeting though. We need to start planning. If you would like to be a part of this special group, come to the meeting.



Operation Christmas Child update- we collected 54 shoe boxes! Thank you to everyone who contributed.



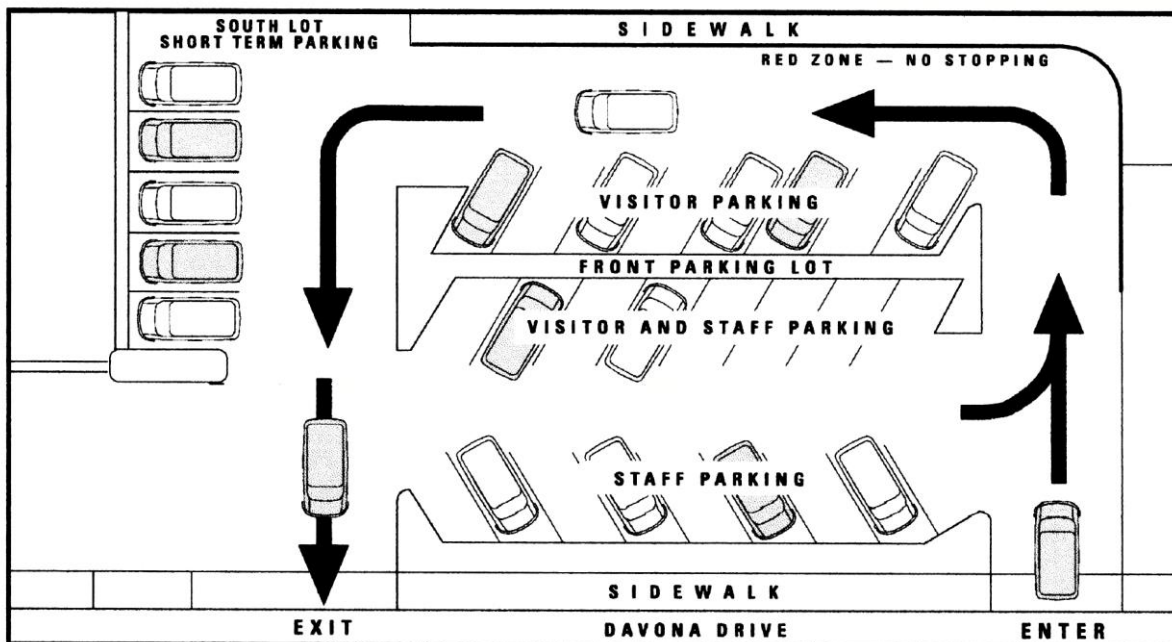
We would like to express a heart-felt thank you to the PTO for hosting the delicious Staff Christmas luncheon and for the generous gifts! We are so blessed to be part of this wonderful ministry. Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to teach your children.

What's missing from the marquee? Students, tell Mr. Zinnel by Monday.

Drop Off and Pick Up

- **Jr. Kindergarten students need to be walked by parent/guardian to and from the classroom.**
- All other students may be dropped off in the South lot. From there they can safely walk to class. The South lot is for short term parking only, ten minutes or less and **gates will be locked at 8:45 a.m.**
- If you need to escort your child to class, please park in the Front lot and walk across to the walkway together.

When dropping off or picking up your child, please **DO NOT PARK OR STOP IN THE RED ZONE**. This creates an unsafe condition for all students. Please obey the law regarding handicapped spaces. (See map below)



CALENDAR of Events

- December 15th - **FREE DRESS DAY** for kindergarten – 8th grade
- December 18th – PTO sponsored school assembly @ 8:40 in the Gym. All grades are invited.
- December 18th - **Preschool 4's a.m. - Christmas Program** in the church @ 10:30 a.m.
- December 19th - **Preschool 3's a.m. - Christmas Program** in the church @ 10:30 a.m.
- December 19th - **Preschool 4's p.m. - Christmas Program** in the church @ 2:30 p.m.
- December 20th – Preschool 4 a.m. & 4 p.m. classes have school
- December 20th - **Jr. K. – 8th grade Early Dismissal @ 12:00 noon** because Christmas Vacation begins!
- December 21-January 7 – The school office is closed
- January 8th – School Resumes
- January 10th – PTO meeting in the school library at 3:30



If you found a gold cross necklace at the Santa Breakfast, please turn it into the school office.



Hey everyone...in the spirit of the Christmas season...let's celebrate by wearing colors of the season (red, green, etc.) and holiday hats on December 20th. This will be last day of school before Christmas vacation! Let's show our amazing school spirit!

St. Philip Lutheran School

Open House

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Help us celebrate SPLS and our marvelous Students

Sunday, January 21st

11:00 Worship with student singers
Open House and History Fair
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Tour the entire campus!
Invite your family and friends

(Refreshments served in the gym)

Soft Items Collection Clothing and Linens Drive

Santa Rosa Fire Victims
students & adults

We will be collecting clothing, shoes, new socks, new bedding, towels and other household linens. Collection boxes will be in the church lobby until **Friday, Dec 22.**



Holiday Food Drive

Until Friday, December 22, 2017

Please bring unopened, non-expired, non-perishable foods. Bin will be in the lobby.

We will be working with Alameda Food Bank. All the Bay Area Food Banks work together to fight hunger.



Advent Evening Services

December 13
December 20

7:00pm

CHRISTMAS

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

December 24 th	December 25 th
10:30am Handbell Concert	10:00am Christmas Celebration
11:00am Lessons & Carols	
5:00pm Peaceful Praise	
11:00pm Traditional Candlelight	

Sunday
Dec. 31st

Normal
Worship
Schedule

9am
11am

F.Y.I. - As part of the **W.A.S.C.** (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) accreditation process, SPLS developed **Expected School-wide Learning Results** for our students. These are often referred to as **ESLR's** and can be seen throughout the campus. The ESLR's were created the first time SPLS went through the accreditation process and they have been slightly tweaked throughout the years. The explanation of the **ESLR's** are listed below. **The five areas that we expect all of our students to thrive in are:**

- Christian Faith
- Learning
- Problem Solving
- Self-Evaluator
- Community Member

Expected School-wide Learning Results for Preschool – Grade Eight

Christian

- Become disciples who know their Savior, serve cheerfully and share His love
- Show compassion, tolerance, justice, and a respect for the dignity of others and self
- Develop a moral Christian conscience, modeling responsibility, leadership and good behavior toward others
- Demonstrate faith through respect for themselves, others and those in authority
- Demonstrate faith daily through Bible study, prayer, worship and service to those in need
- Understand and utilize own God-given strengths and recognize and appreciate the God given gifts of others

Learner

- Possess a solid foundation in basic subjects (core competency in each grade level)
- Express creativity, communicate effectively, think critically, and solve problems independently
- Find joy, fulfillment, and appreciation in becoming a lifelong learner with special emphasis on literature, music, and the arts
- Express written and spoken thoughts clearly, using correct grammar, mechanics, and organization
- Use technology and media creatively, effectively and appropriately and discern the credibility of source
- Speak and articulate with confidence, clarity and understanding
- Demonstrate academic and social preparedness for the next level of education
- Recognize the importance of good health choices
- Display knowledge of basic athletic skills and demonstrate sportsmanship

Problem Solver

- Face challenges and persevere in attaining realistic goals
- Resolve conflict peacefully, Biblically and seeking further assistance elsewhere as necessary
- Solve problems through observation, research and discovery
- Respond appropriately to unexpected circumstances, danger or difficult situations

Self-Evaluator

- Analyze, consider alternatives, make effective moral choices and stand up for what is right
- Assess own work for completeness and overall quality
- Demonstrate self-control and responsible behavior
- Appreciate achievement and strive to attain high standards
- Assess own strengths and areas for improvement
- Social etiquette
- Accept responsibility for actions
- Self-confidence, self-worth, and self esteem

Community Member

- Contribute to the community a positive, life-affirming effect
- Realize and appreciate ones relationship to the surrounding world and be a responsible caretaker of God's creation
- Work cooperatively demonstrating tolerance and respect for self and others
- Interact respectfully with all age levels
- Ability to adapt to rapidly changing conditions
- Cognizant of current events and world affairs and their effect on life
- Show respect for personal and community property
- Involvement in extra-curricular, school, community activities, service and volunteerism
- Understand ones heritage and appreciate and respect cultural diversity