

## And the Winner Is...

- **Registration Incentive** – Thank you to all the families who registered early this year. All who registered by April 30<sup>th</sup> are eligible for two extra PIP credits for 2021-2022. Be sure to add them to your 21/22 PIP Credit Form. Open registration continues for those who have not yet registered for the 2021-2022 school year. **Congratulations to the Tomczak family!** Their name was the lucky one drawn for the Registration/Technology Fees refund.
- **Mustang Raffle Incentive** – Thank you to all the families who sold and returned their ten (and more!) Mustang Raffle tickets. It will take all of us working together to make this important fundraiser a success. All who sold their initial 10 tickets by April 30<sup>th</sup> are eligible for four extra PIP credits for 2021-2022. Be sure to add them to your 21/22 PIP Credit Form. **Congratulations to the Tye family!** Their name was the lucky one drawn for the Registration/Technology Fees refund.

**CLASSES ARE FILLING UP!** – If you have not enrolled your student(s) for the 21/22 school year, we encourage you to do so immediately. **The Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes are close to being waitlisted.** Links for online registration can be found on the school website under the “About Us” tab. Click on “Registration Forms” and scroll down to the blue bubbles. You will need to complete the online registration info and the Payment Preference form, and pay the Registration and Technology fees to secure your spot. If you have any questions, either financial or others, concerning your ability to return to SRS next year, please contact Mr. Ralbusky at (810) 659-2503.

**NEW REGISTRATION INCENTIVE** – Any family who registers for the 21/22 school year from May 1-21 will be placed in a drawing to receive \$75 off Registration and Technology fees.

### 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CONFIRMATION

- **Practice** for Confirmation will be Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. It is required that the Confirmation candidate and sponsor are present.
- **Rite of Confirmation** is Wednesday, May 19 at 7pm at St. Robert. This will be a private Mass for our Confirmation candidates, their sponsors and family. Confirmation candidates and sponsors should arrive at St. Robert in the Activity Center at 6pm.
- **Confirmation Attire:** Since Confirmation is a Sacrament of Initiation, just as Baptism and Eucharist is, the color for the candidates to wear is white.
  - **For the ladies** (including sponsors) attire should be modest! Nothing low cut, strapless, too tight, or transparent should be worn.
  - **For the guys** (including sponsors), dress trousers, a tie and a white shirt should be worn. A suit or sport coat is nice, but not required.
- Please contact the Religious Ed Office at (810) 659-8556 or [hturchi@strobertschool.com](mailto:hturchi@strobertschool.com) with any questions regarding Confirmation.

**MUSTANG RAFFLE** – We are asking families to turn in any sold tickets as soon as possible after they're sold so that they can be processed. Tickets can be given to Mr. Ralbusky or Mr. Fras at morning drop off, sent in to school with your student, dropped off to the school office or dropped off to the Ticket Table on Thursdays during afternoon pickup.

**CAN YOU HELP?** – In an effort to assist our school community in selling Mustang Raffle tickets, the Raffle Committee is pleased to share that they have been granted approval by Father Jon to sell tickets after Masses on May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, and a second opportunity will be available on June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. At the conclusion of Masses, it will be announced that tickets are available in the gathering space (vestibule) after Mass. If you are able to help, please access the SignUpGenius form from the link in Mr. Ralbusky's email or visit <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b49aeadd29a1f94-superdraw1>.

### FUN FAIR NEWS

- **Soda Sale** – Flyers for the Soda Sale were sent home earlier this week. Order forms can also be found on the school website. We are selling cans of soda (red, orange, grape and lemon/lime) to be distributed on Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. Soda orders are due back no later than Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- **Carnival Game Challenge** – Flyers for this contest went home this earlier this week, and can be found on the school website. The contest is open to all grades. Contest entries are due Thursday, 5/20 and the Game Demonstration Day will be held on Monday, 5/24. Winners will be announced on Tuesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please contact Mrs. Reagan ([kreagan@strobertschool.com](mailto:kreagan@strobertschool.com)) or the school office if you have any questions.

**MICHIGAN WEEK** – The Social Studies Department has organized activities for Michigan Week (May 17-21). There will be special Michigan-related announcements each morning, fun daily events, as well as a school-wide Flat Mustang project.

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| Monday, 5/17    | Jeans and Favorite MI Destination Shirt (\$1.00)   |
| Tuesday, 5/18   | Kellogg's Breakfast Day  |
| Wednesday, 5/19 | Michigan Authors and Book Day  |
| Thursday, 5/20  | Jeans and Favorite MI Team Day (\$1.00)<br>Made in Michigan Picnic                         |
| Friday, 5/21    | Free Casual Day for the Fun Run<br>(Fun Run t-shirt and comfy, school appropriate bottoms) |

**LIBRARY NEWS** – The library is now closed for the remainder of the 20/21 school year. All library books were due on, Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. There are many books that have been checked out but not returned. Please take some time this weekend to clean out book bags, check bedrooms and closets, look through the car and double check grandma's house for missing library books. Notices will be printed out, and sent home with students who have not returned overdue books. Bills for unreturned or damaged books will also be sent home before the end of the year. Books can be returned to your child's homeroom teacher or to the school office.

**BUS VARIANCE BLACKOUT DATES FOR FALL 2021** – This is a reminder that Bus Transportation Variances DO NOT carry over from year to year. A new variance must be completed each school year. If you require your child to ride a different bus than their home bus route for the 21/22 school year, you must complete a new variance form.

- **This means, parents who need to send their child via bus to/from daycare, babysitters, etc. during the 21/22 school year, must submit a *Transportation Variance* to the St. Robert School office no later than Friday, August 20, 2021 to be approved and in effect for the first day of school.**

Please be aware that no bus variances will be processed or granted between Monday, August 23, 2021 and Monday, September 6, 2021 as bus routes become finalized. Parents who do not complete a bus variance form by the August 20<sup>th</sup> deadline must wait until they are again accepted on September 7, 2021.

- **Variances will not be processed between August 23, 2021 and September 6, 2021. Your child will be allowed only on their home bus route until the blackout period ends on September 7<sup>th</sup>.**

Also, please note that any 21/22 bus variance forms received on September 7<sup>th</sup> or later require a processing time of 3 days prior to the variance taking effect. Variance forms can be obtained through the St. Robert School website. Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

**A WELCOME NOTE FROM FR. JON!** – Fr. Prabhu Lakra is coming in July. He will be our new parochial vicar. I am deeply grateful for his coming and that we will be blessed to have two priests here. Fr. Prabhu (Prah-boo) is from the same diocese in India as Fr. Louis. He was ordained a priest in 2002 and has been in our diocese since 2006. Some of you may remember that he stayed at St. Robert briefly with Fr. Louis and Fr. Roy just after he arrived here. He has been serving at St. Gerard (both now and earlier), and he was also at St. Joseph in Howell and St. Francis in Ann Arbor. I learned recently that he is a good cook, so I am looking forward to enjoying Indian food with him! Please keep Fr. Prabhu in your prayers, and in a special way his family, as he has several family members in India who are sick with COVID.

### **WHAT'S HAPPENING**

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| Monday, 5/17    | Jeans and Favorite Destination Shirt Day (\$1.00)<br>2:45pm, Department Chairs Meeting (Media Center)  |
| Tuesday, 5/18   | Kellogg's Breakfast Day<br>Casual Day for Fun Run Registration Challenge<br>2:45pm, Staff Meeting (Media Center)<br>6pm, Confirmation Practice |
| Wednesday, 5/19 | MI Authors and Book Day<br>8:30am, Mass<br>7pm, Confirmation Mass (Private)  |
| Thursday, 5/20  | Jeans and Favorite MI Team Shirt (\$1.00)<br>Made in Michigan Picnic<br>Carnival Game Entries due<br>Soda Orders due                           |
| Friday, 5/21    | <b>FUN RUN Day!!!</b><br>May Registration Incentive deadline<br>Orders due to Office FROM Dept. Heads  |