



**ST. SYMPHOROSA
CATHOLIC SCHOOL**
*Building their Future, Celebrating Faith,
Family, and Academic Excellence.*

ST. SYMPHOROSA SCHOOL NEWS

Quarterly Newsletter

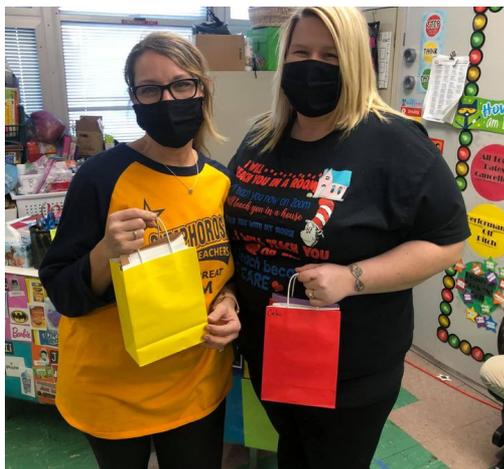


ST. SYMS CELEBRATES CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Students and staff at St. Symphorosa went above and beyond in celebrating Catholic Schools Week. Since 1974, Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States.

The week was kicked off on Sunday, January 31st with a Virtual Open House that welcomed more than thirty new families. Each day throughout the week, we took time to celebrate the people and the values that...

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Pre-K teacher Mrs. Werschkul and her aide Mrs. Pettenon show their gifts for Teacher Appreciation Day, as part of Catholic Schools Week

WE BELIEVE

All things are possible with God

A community of kindness, love and support = success

Our children are stewards of God's gifts

THIRD GRADERS ATTEND VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP

This year many of our regular field trips for students had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. However at St. Symphorosa, when challenges like these arise, we simply get creative in order to continue providing unique and memorable experiences for our students!

Mrs. Linda Jania's third grade class had the opportunity to take a field trip to a farm in Illinois-virtually!

The class learned a lot about how a farm operates, including many of the technological advances in farming. The technology that impressed students most was the automatic Milker. "The cattle walk in when they want to be milked, they're automatically milked, then they leave." said third grade teacher Mrs. Jania. "No farmer needs to be present!"



Third graders attend a virtual field trip to a farm.

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grade for 2021-2022 school year.**

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SNOWMAN BUILDING CONTEST WAS A HIT AT ST. SYMS!

When the weather gets cold and the snow starts coming down, St. Syms students are ready to get out for some winter fun!

This January we held a Snowman Building Contest that was open to all students at St. Symphorosa. Students were asked to build their best snowman in one of three categories: Most Creative Snowman, Biggest Snowman, or Best Snow Rockstar. Each entry was posted on Facebook. The entry with the most "likes" and "shares" in each category received a special prize from the Principal.

The submissions poured in. Our students displayed an incredible amount of creativity and effort. We saw snowmen with mowhawks, snowmen in Cubs jerseys, upside down snowmen, plus many, many more!

"Harvey could not stop talking about the "super cool" snowman building contest," said parent Janja Taylor. "It was a great opportunity for family time, creative collaboration and some laughs. Harvey says he can't wait to do it again next year!"



The three winners of our Snowman Building contest show off their prizes.

Attention Alumni
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...make Catholic education unique.

We celebrated our teachers with a special Teacher Appreciation Day. We celebrated our community with a fundraiser for Catholic charities. We celebrated our students with a special musical assembly and dancing for the whole school every hour.

We also celebrated our vocations with a special thank you video to our clergy. Finally, we celebrated our nation with students making cards for veterans.

"Catholic Schools Week helps us to come together to celebrate our Catholic identity as a school," said Principal Kathy Berry. "I could not be more grateful for the efforts put forth by our students and staff."

ALUMNI SUPPORT FOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, more and more families are struggling to afford a quality preschool program for their child. To help address this issue, last Fall St. Symphorosa created the Preschool Scholarship Fund in an effort to give financial assistance for families to send their child to preschool at St. Syms.

Big Shoulders Fund worked closely with St. Symphorosa to initiate a campaign to ask for donations from our alumni. Our valued alumni stepped up, and St. Syms raised over \$2000 towards this new scholarship fund.

"We could not be more grateful to our alumni," said Marketing Director Richard Banden. "Their generosity will help make preschool a possibility for many families in our community."