



# St. Francis Xavier Catholic School

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Dear Parents,

We are preparing for our Krewe of St. Francis Xavier School to parade this Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 12:30pm on the school yard. Our first grade teachers and students have been working diligently to make this a fun event for all.

Every year in honor of Deacon Ed's birthday, the founder of the Food Bank at St. Francis Xavier, we participate in a school wide food drive. This drive comes at a time when the food bank is in need of items as so many of the items have been used for food baskets over the holidays. We will be collecting non-perishable items beginning Monday, 2/5/18 through Thursday, 2/8/18. Students bringing in three items or more for the food bank will be awarded a "blue jean" day on Friday, 2/10/18, in conjunction with their Mardi Gras shirt day. (All jean day rules apply).

We would like to congratulate our Spelling Bee winners that will participate in the city-wide Spelling Bee Competition on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to: Kennedy Graves(4<sup>th</sup> grade), Stephen Vigueire-Luna(4<sup>th</sup> grade), Rylan Hardy (5<sup>th</sup> grade), Russell G'sell(5<sup>th</sup> grade), Leah Espinoza(6<sup>th</sup> grade), Chyna Celestain (6<sup>th</sup> grade), and Alexander Drewitz(7<sup>th</sup> grade). Good luck to our participants!

Congratulations to our National Geographic Geography Bee winner, Frederick Drewitz (7<sup>th</sup> grade). He took the online test for national competition on February 2, 2018.

There will not be a need to make-up school days for our three winter weather days in January. St. Francis Xavier School exceeds the amount of instructional minutes required each day by the Louisiana Department of Education. We are allowed to count these minutes into the requirement by the state and have enough instructional minutes to cover the three days missed in January.

We are preparing for this year's Old Metairie Fest on Saturday, April 14, 11:00am-8:00pm. The theme for our 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Fair is "SFX celebrates the Tricentennial". Packets will be sent home soon regarding this event. Remember this is our major fundraiser for our school and we need everyone's help to make this event a success!

#### Events:

2/5/18 - 2/8/18	Deacon Ed Food Bank Collection
2/9/18-12:30pm	Krewe of St. Francis Xavier Parade
2/12/18 – 2/13/18	Mardi Gras Holidays
2/14/18-8:00am	Students return –Ash Wednesday (service in Church, 9:45am)
2/15/18	SFX Men's Club Meeting
2/20/18	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Communion Meeting-7:00 pm-Gym
2/22/18	High School Acceptance Letters Mailed (7 <sup>th</sup> grade)

Blessings & Peace in Christ,

Barbara Martin  
Principal