

# ST. STEPHEN LITURGY

Sunday, November 5th at 11:00am

Our children's choir will be singing at  
Liturgy in the Church.





*Living Rosary*

Friday, October 27th  
at 10:00am.

*St. Stephen School's  
Living Rosary will be  
held in the Church for  
grades Kindergarten  
to 8th.*

*All are welcome!*



# BILLS DAY

**Let's show our support and  
wear your best Bills gear!**

Friday, September 15th

Friday, September 22nd

Friday, September 29th

Thursday, October 5th

Friday, October 13th

Friday, October 20th

Thursday, October 26th



# TRUNK OR TREAT

Annual St. Stephen's Trunk Or Treat  
Tuesday, October 31st. 1:00pm-2:30pm

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**Volunteers are needed to decorate trunks or the back of vans so students can trick or treat! Set up begins at 12:00 in the parking lot.**

**We are asking all families to donate a bag of candy for this event. Candy can be dropped off in the office by Friday, 10/27.**

**Kid's Costume Rules: Costumes may be worn to school. Masks cannot be worn on the bus and all accessories must be in backpacks. No guns, swords or knives will be allowed in school.**





# **Red Ribbon Week**

## **October 23-27, 2023**

10/23 - PAJAMA DAY - DON'T LET DRUGS RUIN YOUR DREAMS!  
Wear your favorite pajamas to show everyone that you have BIG DREAMS and won't let drugs ruin them.

10/24 - TIE DYE DAY - PEACE OUT TO DRUGS!  
Wear your tie-dye clothing to tell drugs to "PEACE OUT".  
We don't need drugs to be GROOVY!

10/25 - WEAR RED DAY  
Wear as much RED as possible to take a stand against drugs!

10/26 - SPORTS DAY - TEAM UP AGAINST DRUGS!  
Wear your Bills sports attire!

10/27 - SCHOOL COLOR DAY - OUR SCHOOL IS DRUG-FREE!  
Wear GREEN and YELLOW with the RED RIBBON we give you.





*Grand Island, NY*

# Open House & Book Fair

[www.ststephensgi.org](http://www.ststephensgi.org)

Your Catholic School on the Island

**Thursday, November 2nd, 5pm - 7pm**

**Come see what sets us apart from others:**

- Christian value based education
- Spanish beginning in PreK
- Sports and clubs
- Life skills: Kitchen skills, sewing
- Outdoor classroom
- Hands-on learning/STREAM
- Before/After school care
- Algebra and Living Environment
- Bison Fund & Tuition Assistance
- Bussing provided from KenTon School District

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**You're Invited to the St. Stephen  
School "Hats Off to Reading" Book  
Fair & Open House!**

**When: Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 5-7pm**

**Who: Current & New Families**

**Come enjoy treats with the Mad Hatter,  
shop the fair, take photos in our Hats Off  
to Reading photo booth and more!**





Dear Parents and Families,

Our school is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair on November 2nd from 5:00pm-7:00pm. At this time we will also be having an Open House and we would love to see you there!

The Book Fair will also be open for students during the day on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and they will be brought down with their classes to shop. It is recommended that you set up an eWallet account for your child.

You and your child will have the opportunity to explore a huge range of affordable books featuring characters and subjects kids love and want to read about, from newly released books and bestsellers to award-winning titles.

This is also a great way for you to learn about and discuss your child's interests, and every book sold benefits our school, adding resources to our library and classrooms.

Scholastic Book Fairs help us show students the wonder of reading. After all, when kids choose their own books, they will be more excited to read and naturally read more!





# ATTENTION!

THERE WILL BE NO  
AFTERSCHOOL ON THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 2ND! OPEN HOUSE  
AND THE BOOK FAIR WILL  
BEGIN AT 5 P.M.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Attention Parents of Current/New NEHS & NJHS Members:

On Friday, we will be inducting new NEHS and NJHS members into their respective groups. This is a formal ceremony and the students should dress nicely. I would like to get a photo with members who are already a part of the groups as well. I would appreciate it if current members would also dress nicely for the ceremony as it falls on a Bills Dress Down Day.

Thank you,

Kacey Calato



# SSS School Store

ran by our very own 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students!

The school store will be open at the end of each lunch period on MONDAYS beginning next week, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.



Fall Items include:

Halloween Pens 50¢

Pete the Cat Pencils: 25¢

Triple Slushie Highlights \$1

Stacked Jellyfish Highlighters \$1

Scented Bear Erasers 50¢

Pond Animals Erasers 50¢



All sales to benefit the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class!



Students in grades 2 - 5 are invited to our

**Italian Cooking Club** hosted by Ms. Mistriner and Miss Cacciatore.

A permission slip and a small fee will be required in advance of each meeting. For our next meeting, we will be making cannoli while listening to **Italian music!**



Please return permission slips along with  
\$3.00 cash by October 24th,  
as we need to plan for supplies.

**Date of the club: Thursday, October 26, 2023**

Time: after school until 4:15

Location: Life Skills Room

Cost: \$3.00

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My child \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ will be attending the  
cooking club meeting on Thursday, October 26, 2023

I have enclosed \$3.00 for supplies.

I understand that my child should be picked up at 4:15.

Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_

# GRAND ISLAND SHORELINE TRAIL CLEAN UP



OCTOBER 21ST

JOIN US FROM 9-11 AM FOR A  
SHORELINE TRAIL CLEANUP!  
MEET AT KAEGEBEIN ELEMENTARY

BRING GLOVES AND ANY GARBAGE  
PICKERS YOU MAY HAVE



**Rotary**  
Club of Grand Island



# CATHOLIC CHARITIES ISSWP NEWSLETTER



October  
Edition

TOPIC OF  
THE MONTH

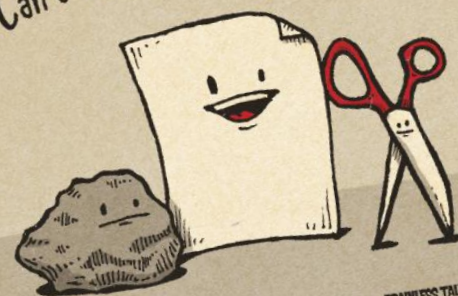
## Emotional Awareness

Every month our school mental health professionals push into classrooms to teach and practice a social-emotional skill. This month all grades will be focusing on emotional awareness. Not only will we be identifying our own emotions, we will be attempting to identify others' feelings and discuss how they affect our own behavior.

## HOW THIS HELPS IN THE CLASSROOM

Your kids are bombarded by emotions every day at school- theirs, their teachers, and their friends. If they know how they are feeling and are aware of others' emotions, they can appropriately adjust their behavior to avoid melt downs, conflicts with friends, and disruption in learning. In addition, it allows everyone to focus on academics instead of conflict resolution, drama, and frustration.

Can't we all just get along?



# THINGS TO TRY AT HOME!!!

As parents, we are very aware of our kiddo's feelings. When they are grumpy or moody, we are asking ourselves, "Are they tired? Are they hungry? Did they have a challenging day at school?" And then we adjust our behavior to theirs. But do they ever do the same for us? There are many days when we are tired or frustrated or sad. Are our children aware? Do they adjust their behavior because of ours? It is **okay** to tell them how you are feeling and ask or help them adjust their behavior. This teaches emotional awareness as well as **empathy, compassion, and kindness**. Those are all qualities we want our kiddos to have, and not always easy to teach. Real life gives you the scenarios you need to practice emotional awareness every day.



## Resources

- Your Catholic Charities social worker can help you and your family find help in your community if wanting improved emotional awareness at home and school.
- Call or email today at 716.291.5159/john.farrell@ccwny.org.

**For more  
information**

Visit [www.ccwny.org](http://www.ccwny.org)

# Protecting God's Children

## Workshop

St. Stephen Church

Hospitality Room

Wednesday,

October 25, 2023

6 p.m.

Register online at:

[Buffalodiocese.org](https://www.buffalodiocese.org)