

St. Ephrem Catholic Academy

100 Years Where Faith and Tradition Meet Progress in Education!

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2023 AT ST. EPHREM CATHOLIC ACADEMY

St. Ephrem Catholic Academy will celebrate Catholic Schools Week from January 29th to February 3rd, 2023. The fundamental mission of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Brooklyn is to create a foundation for life through teaching academics, beliefs, and character. This year's theme is *Ignite the Catholic Imagination*. Please see below for a list of activities that will take place throughout the week:

<u>Sunday, January 29th - Celebrating Our Parish (Mass & Open House): WEAR YOUR UNIFORM!</u>

- A) Catholic Schools Week Opening Mass: Our Opening of Catholic Schools Week Mass will occur on Sunday, January 29th, 2023, at 10 AM in St. Ephrem Church. *All children must attend in full uniform and will receive 2 NUT cards!*
- B) **Open House:** We will host an Open House for prospective families from 11 AM 1 PM. If you know anyone looking for a school, please encourage them to visit our school and see what makes us such a special place of faith, excellence, and service!
- C) **Family Testimonials:** I encourage you to click <u>here</u> and write a testimonial about St. Ephrem Catholic Academy. Your input is essential as it allows us to spread the good word about who we are and what we offer here at our academy!

Monday, January 30th - Celebrating Our School (School Pride Day) - DRESS IN SPIRIT WEAR (3K-7)!

- A) **Ring Day Ceremony:** Grade 8 will receive their class rings.
- B) **Spirit Wear:** Grades 3K-7 may wear objects of clothing representing St. Ephrem (Spirit Wear). As in all Spirit Days, students may NOT dress down!
- C) Beginning today and throughout the week, students will share what St. Ephrem means to them during Morning Assembly.
- D) **Door Decorating Contest:** A door decorating contest will take place. The theme will be: *Catholic Schools Ignite the Catholic Imagination*.

<u>Tuesday, January 31st - Celebrating Our Students (Student Appreciation Day) - WEAR YOUR PAJAMAS!</u>

- A) **Pajama Day/Dance Party:** Students will be able to wear their pajamas and engage in a dance party at staggered times.
- B) Students will be provided with ice cream.
- C) NO HOMEWORK TODAY!



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Wednesday, February 1st - Celebrating Our Community (Community Day) - WEAR SOMETHING WACKY!

- A) Msgr. Joseph Grimaldi, Vicar General for the Diocese of Brooklyn, will visit St. Ephrem Catholic Academy at 9 AM.
- B) Wacky Wednesday wear something wacky (mismatched socks, mismatched shoes, silly hats, crazy hair, etc.)
- C) Students will write letters thanking police officers, firefighters, mail carriers, and other community workers.
- D) A class will engage in an activity with the members of the Friendship Club.

Thursday, February 2nd - Culture Day - WEAR YOUR GYM UNIFORM!

A) Students will engage in activities.

Friday, February 3rd - Celebrating Our Faculty and Staff (Faculty/Staff Appreciation Day) - DRESS DOWN/DRESS LIKE A ST. EPHREM FACULTY/STAFF MEMBER!

- A) Students will be able to dress as one of the faculty/staff members at St. Ephrem Catholic Academy.
- B) A Faculty/Staff vs. Students Basketball Game will be held.
- C) Students will be dismissed on a half-day schedule.