



# St. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A U.S. Department of Education  
National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence



February 5, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

“Brothers and sisters: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it.”

As disciples of Jesus, spreading the gospel in word and deed is a way to serve God. Following the example of St. Paul, let us accept this responsibility readily. For serving the Lord is not a task or a chore, but an honor and a joy.

Praise the Lord,  
Ms. Danielle Gonzalez

## **THIS WEEK:**

Monday, February 5

- NWEA - Grades 4-8 Testing Day 1

Tuesday, February 6

- Rediker Portal will open back up with the release of report cards.

Wednesday, February 7

- NWEA
  - Grades 1-3 Testing Day 1
  - Grades 4 & 5 Testing Day 2

Friday, February 9

- NWEA
  - Grades 1-3 Testing Day 2
  - Grades 6-8 Testing Day 2
- 6:00 PM Sweetheart Social  
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## **NEXT WEEK:**

Wednesday, February 14

- Ash Wednesday & Valentine's Day
- 10:30 AM School Mass (Grades K-8)

Thursday, February 15

- \$1 Tag Day for all students, faculty and staff.

Friday, February 16

- No School - Teachers' Retreat



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### **HSA**

- Tuition Raffle (Drawing is on March 8th)

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WUAIMbMwTRsYE8bXHu55iMsWpehBK6ra/view?usp=sharing>

### **REMINDERS:**

#### **NURSE**

We welcome Nurse Elizabeth Thatcher. She is replacing Nurse Jackie Lee who is no longer with us. Nurse Elizabeth will be with us 3 days a week while Nurse Tricia will continue to work 2 days a week. Should you need to contact either of them:

- [tricia.gerdeman@stphilipprep.com](mailto:tricia.gerdeman@stphilipprep.com)
- [elizabeth.thatcher@stphilipprep.com](mailto:elizabeth.thatcher@stphilipprep.com)

#### **REGISTRATION**

Preferred registration is now closed. However, re-registration is ongoing. If parents still need to register their children for the 2024-20245 school year, the process to re-register is the same.

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/14JQJAYndJ\\_D40jKN84V0aK1aeRKK8wRWtnmL99ZdGck/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/14JQJAYndJ_D40jKN84V0aK1aeRKK8wRWtnmL99ZdGck/edit?usp=sharing)

#### **NWEA**

Winter NWEA testing in Reading and Mathematics for Grades 1-8 starts February 5, 2024.

MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth.

MAP Growth tests are unique and adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's knowledge. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of where your child is on their learning journey— regardless of whether they are on, above, or below their grade level.

Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores in similar skills and topics and then plan instruction accordingly.

We are truly excited to focus on your child's individual growth and achievement. For more information about MAP Growth, visit [NWEA.org/familytoolkit](https://www.nwea.org/familytoolkit).