THE TIGER CONNECTION

VALUING OUR PAST & EMBRACING OUR FUTURE



Welcome to the first edition of The Tiger Connection! We're excited to share a little of what's happening at St. Anthony's with the alumni, donors, and friends who make our school community so special. From exciting things happening in our classrooms to special moments from our school's history, we hope this newsletter helps you stay connected to the place that means so much to so many.

Know another St. Anthony's alum, supporter, or friend of the school who would love to stay connected? Please share this newsletter with them and invite them to sign up so they can be part of The Tiger Connection, too!

Thank you for being part of the St. Anthony's story!

Anthony Penna Charitable Fund Grant

This month St. Anthony's recieved a grant from the Anthony Penna Charitable Fund to enhance and grow our music program. We will use these funds to purchase 30 5-gallon buckets and sets of drumsticks. Our Music teacher, Mr. Colligan, will be teaching students to bucket drum!



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Your Generosity in Action

At St. Anthony's, we believe that a Catholic education should be accessible to every family who desires one, regardless of their financial circumstances. Thanks to the generosity of our donors and the support of our Education Fund, we have been able to provide financial assistance to more than 40 families this school year, directly impacting over 50 students!

Your generosity helps make a St. Anthony's education possible for families who might otherwise struggle with the cost of tuition. Every contribution helps us provide students with an education rooted in faith, academic growth, compassion, and service to others.

Because of you, more students have the opportunity to learn, grow in their faith, build meaningful relationships, and become the people God calls them to be. Thank you for helping us keep the doors of St. Anthony's open to the families who want to be part of our community. Your impact reaches far beyond the classroom, and we are so grateful for your support!

From the Archives

This newspaper photo from June 9th, 1954 shows the school mid construction! The caption read: *VOLUNTEERS BUILT IT: The spire of St. Anthony's Catholic Church rises behind the new St. Anthony of Padua Parish School at Ninth and Scott Streets, where the corner stone will be blessed and put in place Sunday evening. The building, containing 16 classrooms and many specialized facilities, will be ready for partial use by some grades in September.*



Meet the people of St. Anthony's



Mrs. Judith Jakotowicz White
Class of 1984

For Mrs. White, St. Anthony's is more than a school. It's a family tradition! A proud St. Anthony's alumna, Mrs. White graduated from eighth grade here before continuing her education at Padua Academy, Allentown University, and Neumann University, where she earned her master's degree in counseling.

After beginning her career as a counselor in the public school system, Mrs. White returned to St. Anthony's as a school counselor in 2001. In 2012, she became principal, a role she continues to hold today. She is currently the longest-serving principal among the Diocese of Wilmington's school principals!

Her family's connection to Catholic education spans generations. Her mother was a member of Padua Academy's very first graduating class in 1954, her father coached St. Anthony's football team, and her brother also attended St. Anthony's. Both of her children are St. Anthony's alumni, and her daughter, Ms. Abby is now part of our school staff!

With deep roots in our community and a lifelong commitment to Catholic education, Mrs. White's story is a special part of what makes St. Anthony's so unique. We are grateful for her years of dedication to our students, families, and school community!