On behalf of Home & School, School Committee, and our St. Sebastian School Staff, we have an exciting SPIRIT WEAR ANNOUNCEMENT to make!

St. Seb's officially has fun new spirit wear options to introduce you to, complete with our new logos for both:

- A) uniform options (indicated by the cross logo) and
- B) general **spirit wear** (indicated by the crest / shield logo).

All items are available for purchase directly through the website found

here: http://saintsebs.epromolux.com

(We suggest saving it to your list of "Favorites" for future reference)

SPIRIT WEAR LOGISTICS and INFO:

First, onto ordering logistics:

There will be four dates this spring to order your spirit wear, with staggered delivery dates. If interested in purchasing any items, you would order through the website above, and then your purchases will be delivered to the Front Office by the target dates below:

If you order by April 20, items are delivered to Sebs on April 27 If you order by May 4, items are delivered to Sebs on May 11 If you order by May 18, items are delivered to Sebs on May 25 If you order by June 1, items are delivered to Sebs on June 8

Ordering logistics for next school year, 2018-2019:

Throughout <u>next</u> school year (2018-2019) then, orders will be available to place monthly - and delivered monthly. Orders received by the 20th of each month will have items delivered by the 1st of the following month. For instance, if you order spirit wear items on any day from Sept. 1st through Sept. 20th, they will be delivered to the school for pick up on Oct. 1st.

When can students wear Spirit Wear?:

We are glad you asked! With this announcement of new school "gear", we are also excited to announce "Seb's Spirit Day Fridays!" Every Friday of the school year moving forward (and continuing into next year), is declared "Sebs Spirit Day!", unless otherwise communicated for a special day that may be occurring. Students may wear day any spirit wear top they may have, in conjunction with uniform bottoms. Meaning, students will wear their uniform bottoms, but can wear any top that promotes St. Sebastian - examples might include the school play, forensics, volleyball, past spirit wear, past Sebs gear. (Essentially, it just needs to have "St. Sebastian" on it somewhere!) Strict uniform code will be enforced on Mondays through Thursdays. Students

are <u>not</u>permitted to wear spirit wear on Mondays through Thursdays during instructional time, unless otherwise communicated for a special day.

Seb's spirit wear can be worn any time outside of school or at recess on ANY given day, by students, family members, friends, or community members wishing to do so! We encourage it, in fact!

Can I purchase spirit wear for my friends and family?:

Absolutely! Spirit wear comes in all sizes for children through adults.

When do Seb's "Spirit Day Fridays" begin?: This Friday, April 20th, continuing Fridays throughout the school year and into next year.

If we do not have school on a Friday, does the day transfer to Thursday or Monday?: No. We'll just save up all that spirit for the next Friday!

UNIFORM REMINDERS & UPDATES:

A reminder that the plaid uniform will be an optional transitional year again next year in 2018-2019, with the expectation that all female students wishing to wear a skirt or jumper (in lieu of pants or shorts) will do so by the 2019-2020 school year, phasing out the navy skirts and jumpers in 2019-2020. Please know that we are looking into options to help defray the costs of the plaid uniform for families with a financial need, and that for all families, Lands End runs continual sales of 40% off and sometimes 50% (so watch for those, if interested). More details about financial assistance options will be available this summer.

Lastly, we have heard the many requests to continue with the light blue polo shirt (and not phase it out as originally communicated would be the case), and we are happy to agree light blue polo shirts will continue as part of the school uniform code (in additional to red, navy, and white options).

There are uniform options on the new spirit wear site, which you will see when you click on "Uniforms" on the side bar to the right. You will see there are options for polo shirts with the cross logo if you wish to purchases these for your child as uniform tops. The same ordering timelines apply. Students wishing to wear plain polo tops may continue to, these are simply an added option.

You will also notice two NEW approved uniform sweatshirt-type options on the website, both red in color. These are the ONLY approved sweatshirt-type uniform tops for students to wear on Monday through Thursdays. All other Seb's sweatshirt-type tops are to be worn only on Friday Spirit days (other than 8th grade "hoodies," which are still permitted on all days). If students choose to purchase either or both of these options, a collared shirt / polo must be worn under the crew neck sweatshirt and a Seb's colored shirt must be worn under the zip-up. There may not be non-uniform

colors of shirts worn and showing beneath either option. If cold, students may always still of course wear a plain uniform-colored cardigan or sweater vest.

We love our new line of Seb's school "gear" and hope you will as well! If you have ideas to submit for future items we might include for purchasing options, please let us know. The plan is to grow our spirit wear line and/or change it up now and then to keep options exciting and fresh for all audiences.

Lastly, we are thankful for our partnership with the company Promolux, with whom we have worked on our branding - from posters, to signage, and now spirit wear. A very special thanks to Seb's parent, Ms. Tyra Hammett, for all of her work behind Promolux while assisting us in this process!

Here is the link again to share with friends and family: http://saintsebs.epromolux.com

Happy shopping!

St. Sebastian Catholic School