Monday Update: December 17, 2018

Mass today was hosted by 2nd grade. Thank you for remembering your Mass uniforms!



<u>Children's Mass:</u> Thank you to Mrs. Slawecki and the children's choir for their beautiful service this past Sunday. Thank you also to Joseph H. for lecturing and the Saad family for taking up the gifts. Hospitality was enjoyed by many after Mass here in the school. The word is spreading! Come join us for the next Children's Mass on January 27th at 9:15.

<u>Annual Christmas Show Tomorrow Evening</u>: Please come join us for our annual school Christmas performance in the Church, 6:00 pm tomorrow evening, December 18. The entire school will pay tribute to the Holy Family and the birth of our Savior! *Please note:* Students are to arrive fully costumed by 5:30pm and report to their homeroom. Parents are to head to church and find seating. Teachers please bring your students over at 5:55pm and be seated in preparation of a 6:00PM start time.

Thank you for all you do to support the children and their participation in this Holy event.

<u>PJ Day Wed. for Childhood Cancer Awareness</u>: Traditionally, our students wear PJ's the last day before Christmas break, and contribute \$1.00 to a special cause. This year, all our PJ day proceeds will go to Children's Cancer Partners. We are happy to team with the Optimist Club for this special endeavor. Students may also wear their favorite hat with their PJ's!

No Rosary Club Today.

No Clubs & No Choir Tomorrow.

Noon Dismissal on Wednesday, 12/19: School will dismiss promptly at Noon on Wednesday so that our staff may enjoy their Christmas Luncheon. **There will be no Aftercare!**

Christmas Break begins Thursday 12/20 through Tuesday 1/2/19. School will resume on Thursday, 1/3/19.

<u>Go Crusaders</u>! Come support our basketball teams tonight (12/17) against Coastal Carolina Academy! Jr. Boys play at 4pm, Sr. Boys at 5pm. Good luck Crusaders! No Girls game today.

Important Financial Notice: Beginning January 3, 2019, a 3% late fee will be assessed each month if tuition or incidental charges are not paid by the due date. We recommend, if you have not already, enrolling in auto pay to pay incidental charges. Please be sure to have easy access to your account with FACTS Tuition Management and that FACTS has your correct email. FACTS notifies all families four days before a tuition payment is drafted, and there are two notices given before incidental charges are drafted. The first incidental draft notice is 10 days before the draft, the second is 4 days before the draft. If you ever need assistance accessing your account, or with a payment, please call the school or FACTS directly. FACTS has live chat between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00 pm Central, and a 24/7 phone line (866) 441-4637.

MAP testing begins January 8th for 1st through 5th: Please arrive on time and eat a healthy breakfast before arrival.

<u>GREAT NEWS!</u> Through the Chapin Foundation, we have been awarded an \$8,000 grant! This grant will be used to fund our special subjects and STREAM time! Some purchases will include PE equipment, the rights to a music program, a new drying rack for our Art Room, a dedicated camera for social media purposes, a casual

seating area for the library, and more! We will make that money count! Thank you, Chapin Foundation, for believing in our school! THANK YOU Mrs. Sedota for applying for this Grant!

<u>Important Safe Haven News:</u> For those who were notified to complete Safe Haven by December 10th, as of Friday the 14th you will no longer be able to volunteer. As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me. Thank you, Ms. Ferrari.

<u>Art Club News:</u> Thank you very much for the support. We hope you love your unique Christmas gifts. We raised over \$1,400 for the Art Club!

<u>Congratulations to our classroom Spelling Bee Champions and alternates!</u> The following students won their classroom spelling bees and will compete in the school competition on January 8th @1:00 pm in our school cafeteria: 5th: Winner, Mark H., Alternate, Sophia R. 6th: Winner, Rachel P., Alternate, Erin M. 7th: Winner, Seth R., Alternate, Jake S. 8th: Winner, David H. and Alternate Jaden S. Congratulations! Go Crusaders!

Congratulations to the Geography Bee Finalists! The top 10 finalists in this year's Geography Bee are 8th graders: Jack C., Sarah H., Lizzie M., Brey M., and Paul V. The 7th grade finalists are Gill B. and Summer S. 6th graders are Gaby D., Erin M., and Ben M. Congratulations! We are looking forward to the school Geography Bee in the school cafeteria on January 10th @1:00 pm!

Box Tops 4 Education Competition: Keep those box tops coming in for your favorite team and we will see who wins our spring competition. USC fans have a lot of catching up to do!!!

<u>Lost & Found:</u> Parents please check the lost & found basket in the front foyer. We still have many items in the basket.

Bethlehem became the link between heaven and earth; God and man met there and looked each other in the face." ~Archbishop Fulton Sheen

School Resumes Thursday, January 3 at regular time. Have a safe and happy holiday season! Thank you to all for your many acts of kindness and generosity. Reaching out to those in need is most appreciated. God puts special people among us to do his work in this crazy broken world. Thank you and Merry Christmas! ~ Mrs. Wilfong