



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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December 6, 2018

Dear St. Joseph School Family,

We've had a great beginning to the Advent season. The excitement of the children within the school is something that you could reach out and grab. The rehearsals for the Christmas programs are in the final stages. St. Nicholas visited the school overnight leaving goodies for the teachers and students.

During this season of preparation I have ample reason to give thanks to Almighty God, like St. Paul does. In this coming Sunday's second reading, he expresses joy because of the partnership that the faithful have with God, their cooperation with Him, and their continued discernment of what would lead them ultimately to Christ. Catholic Education is a partnership between us and you, the families of the students. I thank God that we've been able to work together to make this a great school and a wonderful school year. We all want our children to grow in wisdom and grace to meet their full potential here and to reach heaven.

A few reminders as we approach the holiday season:

Please check the length of the skirts/jumpers. The girls have grown since August! While we will not do a formal uniform check at this time, please make sure that the skirts/jumpers reach the knees (1 finger width above the knee is listed in the handbook). If you could have these taken care of before resuming classes in January I appreciate it.

Please remind your children to come to school with the appropriate hats, scarves, mittens, coats, etc. that they need in order to be outside for recess.

When the weather is icy on your drive to school in the morning or from school in the afternoon, know that your safety is more important than anything! If you're in traffic because of an accident or stuck on an icy road, know that we understand! It is my policy not to have tardies due to winter weather count towards the total of tardies for the year. Just give us a call to let us know that you are safe and we'll take it from there. This is especially important at dismissal time, when some of your children may be anxious if you aren't there right away to pick them up. We will let them know that you are on your way!

Please be mindful of watching for children crossing the streets, especially South St. I've heard from parents that there are many vehicles that don't slow down for the students. I'm assuming those vehicles don't belong to any of you!!! Thank you for keeping an eye out for the students' safety.

Please remember to stop in at the office when you come to school for any reason during the school day. It is important that we have all visitors and volunteers come through the office. If there is an emergency of any kind at the school we need to know who is in the building. We even ask our teachers who leave in and out during the day to check in and out of the office – that's how important the safety of those within our building are to us! Students have been instructed to notify an adult if they see a visitor without a badge within the school. It's all for the safety of the students!

God bless you.

In Christ,

Sister Mary Cecilia

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

7 Fri 3B Class Mass; Mission Collection; **NOON Dismissal**, **NO Uniform**

10 Mon Student Confessions

12 Wed 1A Class Mass

13 Thu 1B Class Mass

14 Fri 1C Class Mass



Christmas Break

12/21 Noon Dis-

missal, 2nd

Quarter ends

1/7 School Resumes

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CLICK LUNCHROOM DUTY

LUNCHROOM DUTY VOLUNTEERS help the kitchen staff and Lunchroom Monitors.

CLICK K-1-2 RECESS

K-1-2 RECESS Duty: aid teachers and paras in supervising students during recess.

CLICK 3-6 RECESS DUTY

3-6 RECESS DUTY: aid teachers and paras in supervising students during recess

HAITI:

New or gently used Tennis Shoes for school children in Haiti. All sizes.



DECEMBER 6, 2018 SCHOOL NEWS

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK: Santiago Izquierdo, College 4, St Gregory the Great, St Peter Parish, Lincoln

K-6 CHRISTMAS MUSICALS 2018!!! Performance days/times: Wednesday, December 19th at 7:00pm, Students with last names that begin with A-K. Thursday, December 20th at 7:00pm, Students with last names that begin with L-Z. Please be watching my PowerSchool Learning site for upcoming updates on the Christmas musicals! *Please have your child in the school cafeteria by 6:50pm the night of their program. For instruction [CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS](#)

ROSARIES were sent home with students beginning in October. If you have one of these Family Rosaries at home **please** return it to school.

LUNCH ACCOUNTS should be checked regularly. We currently have several negative balances. PLEASE check your balance and keep your account up to date. You can check your balance at [MYSCHOOLBUCKS](#)

SCIP provides prevention, education, and early intervention services. We recognize that a child's behavioral health needs must be addressed at early on-set. December articles Grief and the Holidays; Mentors and Youth Development; Inhalant Use. [December Newsletter](#)

THUNDERBOLT WRESTLING CLUB starts its season Monday, Dec 10th in the Pius X wrestling room 630pm-730pm for all boys K-8th. It is free for the first 4 practices so come join us or join us in January! We welcome all skill levels. www.thunderboltwrestling.info or contact Marg Bohy bohyboymom@yahoo.com 402-770-4432.

2019 PIUS X THUNDERETTES' WINTER DANCE CAMP, January 12, 2019, 9 am – Noon, Pre-school - 6th grades. click [Pius X Thunderettes](#)

10th ANNUAL HOMEMADE COOKIE AND CANDY SALE sponsored by Sacred Heart Altar Society will be held Saturday, December 8th from 4:00-6:30 PM and Sunday, December 9th from 8:00 AM-12:30 PM in the Sacred Heart Rectory basement, 3128 "S" Street. Enjoy free hot cider, coffee, and cookies while you choose the cookies you would like to buy. All proceeds go to the Parish Hall Building Fund. [Cookie Sale](#)

BLESS THE BABY JESUS! A blessing upon your family and the baby Jesus from your manger scene. In a kid-friendly Advent Liturgy will be followed by a festive cookie reception. Don't forget to bring your gifts of "swaddling clothes" to donate to Birthright for babies in need (new or gently used baby clothes, blankets, lotion, soap, and diaper creams are especially needed). Mark your calendar for **Sat., Dec. 15, at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral!**



WHEN TO KEEP YOUR STUDENT HOME FROM SCHOOL The health and safety of our students is extremely important to us at St. Joseph. The health status of a student bears a direct relation to the child's ability to profit from educational experiences. click [SYMPTOMS](#)

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