



# Letter from the Principal

Date: 12/17/2018

Dear Parents / Guardians,

## **Tuesday, December 18, 2018**

### **School and Family Christmas Pancake Breakfast Day**

Please join us for Pancake Breakfast Day on **Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am until 8:15am in the gymnasium**. The cost is \$2.00 for pancakes and for just an additional \$1.00, you can get sausage as well. Parents/guardians, grandparents, siblings, or other relatives are welcome to come and have breakfast with our students before school that day.

### **Christmas Caroling**

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students will go to Van Wert Manor to spread Christmas cheer to their residents through song, as well as delivering some Christmas cards.

## **Wednesday, December 19, 2018**

### **Christmas Eve Children's Mass Practice**

If your child signed up to be a part of the Christmas Eve Children's Mass, practice is scheduled at 6:45pm on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Please meet in the School Gymnasium.

## **Thursday, December 20, 2018**

### **Red or Green Non-Uniform Day for Christmas**

All students will have a free Non-Uniform Day **Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**. Students may wear any **Red or Green** top of their choosing as long it meets the non-uniform dress code standards. If a student doesn't have a red or green shirt they may wear a St. Mary's Sprit Shirt. Students are welcome to wear jeans, sweatpants, wind-pants, or a skirt on this day. Please **NO** yoga pants or leggings, unless they are covered by a skirt. Modesty is to be stressed at all times. Please review the Non-Uniform Day Dress Code Policy in the School Handbook to make sure your child(ren) are in proper attire. **Grades 4, 5, & 6** are to come **in uniform** on this day. They may change after Mass.

### **NO After School Latchkey**

**On Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**, there will be **NO** After School Latchkey. Please make any necessary arrangements to have your child(ren) picked up at the end of the School Day. If this is a major problem, please contact the School Office so we can make other arrangements.

### **End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**

Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> is the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. Your child(ren) should bring home their report cards on Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. **Students whose tuition, lunch, or latchkey payments are not up-to-date will have their report cards held until payment is made.**

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**Friday, December 21, 2018 through Wednesday, January 2, 2019**

Students' Christmas Break begins on Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> and School will resume on Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Christmas Mass Schedules**

**Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> –** 4:00pm – Christmas Eve Mass  
6:00pm – Christmas Eve Children's Mass

**Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> -** 12:00am – Midnight Mass  
9:30am – Christmas Day Mass

**Thursday, January 3, 2019**

Classes Resume from Christmas Break.

**Friday, January 4, 2019**

Report Cards should come home. **Students whose tuition, lunch, or latchkey payments are not up-to-date will have their report cards held until payment is made.**

**Monday, January 7, 2019**

**Feast of the Epiphany**

To celebrate the Epiphany, we will have the annual chalking of school doors in the morning. Students will also learn more about this day in their classes.

**Golf Cart Raffle**

We will start to sell tickets to win a BRAND NEW 2019 E-Z-GO GAS GOLF CART, to be drawn at our Benefit Auction on April 27, 2019. More details will come home on this day.

**Tuesday, January 8, 2019**

**School Council** - The January School Council meeting usually scheduled for the first Tuesday of the month is rescheduled for Tuesday, January, 8<sup>th</sup> in the school library starting at 7:00pm. Anyone is welcome to attend.

**Sunday, January 13, 2019**

**K of C Free Throw Contest**

The Knights of Columbus will host a Free Throw Contest in St. Mary Gymnasium starting at 3:00pm.

**Tuesday, January 15, 2019**

**Monthly and Quarterly Tuition Payments Due by Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**Wednesday, January 16, 2019**

**Dr. Jeffery-More Visits**

Dr. Jessica Jeffery-Mohr will visit with our K+, K, and 1<sup>st</sup> Graders to discuss the importance of proper teeth care.

**Friday, January 18, 2019**

**K of C March for Life** – The Van Wert Knights of Columbus will hold a local March for Life. Our 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will participate again this year. Students will march from Fountain Park to the K of C, where they will have lunch and listen to various presenters discuss the Right for Life issue. Everyone is welcome to join us in showing our support for the Right for Life on this day at Fountain Park at 11:00am.

**Monday, January 21, 2019**

**NO SCHOOL – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

Students will not be in session for observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

**Thursday, January 24, 2019**

**Benefit Auction Meeting**

We will have the first Spring Benefit Auction Meeting on Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup> in the School Library starting at 7:30pm. Anyone who would like to help be a part of the planning and putting this event on is invited to attend this meeting. This event generated over \$50,000 for the school last year. We would love to have the input and help from as many people as possible to help make this happen again this year.

**Sunday, January 27 through Friday, February 1, 2019**

**Catholic Schools Week** - On Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, we will kick-off Catholic Schools Week with our annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast starting at 9:30am and lasting until 12:30pm. Tickets will be coming home to sell closer to this day.

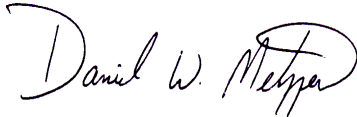
**Students will also take part in the 10:30am Mass on that Sunday** followed by an Open House in the Gymnasium. Students should be in the gym no later than 10:15am and they should be **DRESSED IN THEIR SCHOOL UNIFORM**. We hope that everyone will attend this Mass, as we take a little time to show-off how great our school is to the Parish!

**Thursday, January 31, 2019**

**Science Fun Night** – We will again host a Science Fun Night on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 6:30pm in the School Gymnasium. This event is open to all children ages 4 – 10. Our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will introduce the children to dynamic science topics through hands-on activities that will enhance science inquiry skills and encourages continued learning. Please join us for an evening of family science fun!

We will also have many other activities going on throughout the week and these activities will be listed on a Special Catholic Schools Week Calendar that will be sent home once all arrangements are complete.

Thank you and God bless,



Mr. Daniel Metzger  
Principal-Minister