

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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At a Glance:

Nov. 30	School Finance Council Mtg. 6:15 pm
Dec. 1	Mandatory Parent Basketball Mtg. 5:30 pm
Dec. 2	FIST Mtg. 7:30 am
Dec. 4-6 th	Christmas Craft Faire 9 am to 3 pm
Dec. 8 th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
	8:30 am Mass (NO mass on Dec. 9 th)
Dec. 9 th	Spelling Bee in hall 8:30 am
Dec. 16 th	FIST Mtg. 7:30 am
Dec. 17 th	Christmas Program at St. Teresa 7 pm
Dec. 18 th	Staff Christmas Luncheon NO PM EDP PRESCHOOL CLOSSES AT NOON

A note from Mrs. Wordelman ...

What a tremendous night of fun everyone had at the gala! The costumes, music, and above all, the spirit of the guests brought us back to a time when things were simple and patriotism was highly valued. The gala appears to be very successful financially, though the bottom line is not final yet. All reimbursements for expenses were to be turned in by today.

A very special thank you to Nancy Brown, Nancy Decker, Linda Wuelfing, Bridget Piziali and so many others who helped make the evening a success! The night would not have been possible without the two biggest supporters of our school: Jamie Anderson and Nina Ashford. They are the backbone of our biggest fundraiser of the year.

Report cards will be coming home tomorrow. Just a reminder, MyStudentsProgress.com is closed to parents until November 30 so that teachers can complete the report card process.

This is one of my favorite times of the year—before we get caught up in the excitement of Christmas. Join me in taking some time to count our blessings and to thank God for those people in our life who help us on our journey. Take some time to thank those people, too!

On behalf of the faculty and staff, we thank you for the privilege of serving your children! It is such a blessing to us that we can fulfill our ministry in the presence of children. It is their innocence, enthusiasm, and child-like faith that brings us joy and reminds us that God lives in each one of us!

Many blessings to you and your family!

Mrs. Wordelman

YARD DUTY PARENT SUPERVISORS! Thank you to all the parents who help with supervising our children at lunch. This is an important responsibility to help keep our students safe. When you arrive downfield, please check in with the teacher that is assigned to that lunch period. He or she will give you a folder indicating the area that you are assigned. It also contains note cards where you are asked to document any incidents. If you have questions about any of the procedures during lunch, please ask the teacher supervisor. In general, if you see an unsafe activity, or an activity that is rough, tell the students to stop it. If they don't stop, have the student sit out. Please refrain from using a cell phone or visiting with other adults. The children NEED your full attention.

Rainy days are around the corner. We ask that if you cannot make it, please find a replacement. At the minimum, please call the office.

HOT LUNCH FORMS DUE TOMORROW! Please don't forget to turn your hot lunch forms by tomorrow. The forms were emailed to families on November 11. Please check your email and print the forms from the email. It's too late for milk forms. ☹

Advent Reflection: St. Teresa of Avila Parish invites you to holy evenings of prayer, meditation and Advent reflection. Prepare your hearts for Christmas with Fr. Bonacci, a Passionist priest. He will lead us in Scripture and meditation this Advent to offset the materialism of the "season". Come quiet your mind while we contemplate the roles of Isaiah, John the Baptist, Mary and Elizabeth in Jesus' birth.

Christmas Basket Program: Once again we are collecting non-perishable food and unwrapped toys for the Auburn Area Christmas Basket Program. There is a large bin in the front office where you can drop off your donations. Thank you!

Christmas Craft Faire Volunteers: We still need help to make this year's event better than ever! For those who have already signed up, thank you very much! An email was sent home earlier today asking for volunteers along with sign-up shifts. Please call or e-mail Michelle Whalley at (530) 885-3101 or michellewhalley3@sbcglobal.net.

PERSONALIZED CHRISTMAS PLAQUES: Students will be able to purchase darling wooden snowman plaques which can be personalized with your last name. The cost of the plaque is only \$10, and part of the proceeds will go to the Student Council. The plaques will be at the Christmas Faire.

See's Candy: Please don't forget ... Order forms are due in the office tomorrow, Fri, Nov. 20th. Filled orders will be available for pick up during the Craft Faire!

Student News: Congratulations to Marisa Ordorica who recently won the Knights of Columbus Soccer Shoot Out for the state. Way to go, Marisa!!

Yard Duty: When you sign in for yard duty in the school office and you are switching with another parent, please remember to sign in your name and also indicate the name of the parent you are working for. This will help avoid confusion and prevent a billing from being issued in error. Thank you parents!

PEP/Fundraising Hours Slips: Calling all chairpersons & parents ... don't forget to turn in your hours slips from the gala, etc. Remember to keep your copies. There are a few signed "white original slips" in the wicket basket on the front office counter.

Good Bye Family Envelopes: Parents who still would prefer paper copies of family envelope information are asked to come to the office for the various forms. A minimal number of copies will be available in the office.

EDP News: Friday, December 4th is a minimum day and also the first day of the Craft Faire. If you plan on leaving your child in EDP, you must be registered. Registration fees and hours must be purchased in advance when students stay in EDP. Please understand, out of respect for the vendors, that children must be accompanied by an adult in order to attend the faire. EDP will attempt to take small group of students to the faire, but this is dependent on that day's enrollment. In addition, Friday, December 18th is a minimum day with dismissal at 11:45 a.m. This is the last day of school before Christmas vacation and also the staff Christmas luncheon. **THERE WILL BE NO AFTERNOON EDP ON THIS DAY SO ALL STAFF CAN ATTEND THE LUNCHEON. PRESCHOOL WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON THIS DAY AS WELL. PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THIS AND MAKE CHILD CARE ARRANGEMENTS.**

The Nutcracker: Come Dance with Me and The Children's Performing Arts Workshop presents ... The Nutcracker ... A Children's Adventure ... Reinvented; Nov. 20th, 21st and 22nd; call (530) 885-8461 Ext. 11 or CDWM1@hotmail.com. Tickets are on sale now.

Placer Theatre Ballet: The Nutcracker at Placer High School Theater Nov. 28-29th and Dec. 5-6th. Call (916) 630-7820 or go to www.placertheatreballet.org.