



St. Dorothy

ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Spiritual, Academic, Moral Preparation for the 21st Century

Principal's Newsletter

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Dear Families,



At tonight's Nativity we will be reminded of Mary & Joseph's search to find a place to await the birth of her child. Because of the census being taken, Bethlehem was filled with people looking for a room in which to stay. The responses of "no room" were not unsympathetic. Everyone was very busy, and, therefore, missed the significance of the birth of Jesus.

We can all relate to that situation during this time of year. Often we are the innkeepers who are too preoccupied in this busy season to reflect on its true meaning. We still have one more week to make room for Jesus. Let's not miss the opportunity.

Nativity Presentation

Tonight's program will begin at 7:00 p.m. Please have the children report to school no later than 6:45. Students in grades K-3 will report to the annex; those in grades 4 & 5 will go directly to their classrooms. Grade 6 students will report to the sacristy of the Church and grades 7 & 8 will go to their places in the back of the Church.

Following the program, students in grades K-5 can be picked up from the annex and those in grades 6-8 may be picked up from Church. Due to the frigid temperature, the students will not go back to the school.

Weather-related School Closing

In the event school will be closed or will open late the following procedures will be followed:

You will receive notification via the global messaging system.

An announcement will be made on KYW radio and on channels 6 & 3..

The announcement will be posted on the school website.

The school closing number is 491.

**NOON DISMISSAL – THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 22.**

NO CARES

CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS

**NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 23.**

Robotics

Congratulations to our two teams who competed at a regional qualifier tournament at Archbishop Wood. RoDots worked on a project involving feral cats and invented a new feral cat trap as well as worked to educate people about the value of feral cat communities in neighborhoods. DoBots worked on a project involving search and rescue dogs. They came up with an idea for autism search and rescue dogs to help find missing autistic children. DotBots won the

Innovative Solution trophy for best project at the competition. They also won a second place trophy for Robot Performance.

This outstanding recognition is a testament to the time and effort the students devoted on their projects. Just goes to prove – hard work is the key to success!

Christmas Fun

The Student Council came up with some special ideas for the students next week. They may wear Christmas socks on Tuesday, Christmas hats on Wednesday, and they may dress down on Thursday, wearing Christmas colors.

They are also selling candy canes and will send the money to American Red Cross to help the people in Kentucky.

William Penn Bus Riders

The students who ride the William Penn bus will not be picked up from school on Thursday, December 22. The District does not pick up on half days.



Prayer Corner

Please continue your prayers for the following: Madeline DiCandilo, Lizzie Kelly, Kathleen Protesto, Karen Stevenson, and add Michael Galbreth, Mrs. Neill's cousin.

The following families will be remembered in next week's prayers:

12/19 Fusco, Gallagher, Geyer
12/20 Gillin, Gogna, Grady
12/21 Grandieri, Griffin, Gross (Peter)
12/22 Gross (Michael), Gust, Habicht



HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL NEW YEAR.

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A LOOK AT THE DAYS AHEAD

1/1/17	Happy New Year
1 / 2	No School
1/3	Classes resume
1/6	9:00 First Friday Liturgy
1/16	No School
1/18	7:00 First Reconciliation - Room 5
1/23	7:00 General H&S meeting
1/25	7:00 First Reconciliation - Room 6
1/27	Progress Reports
1/29	11:30 Opening Liturgy Catholic Schools' Week 12:30 Open House
2/1	Principal's Night at McDonald's
2/2	6:00 – 8:00 Family Bingo
2/3	K & New Student Registration – 8:30-11:30 Annex 9:00 First Friday Liturgy
2/4	7:30 Talent Show