

Welcome to December!!

Wow time flies! It seems like only yesterday I was starting! We are halfway through already!!

We have also entered the time of Advent! It is a season of waiting, of love, and of kindness. Our students will be participating in a school wide service project of a warming tree. They will collect hats, gloves, scarves, and socks for those in need right in our our area. We will also be having a Happy Birthday Baby Jesus party on the 21st with all the students together! I am very excited. You will also notice Advent wreaths in every classroom window, and our PK students have a prayer service each week before they "light" their Advent wreath in the hallway! We are preparing for the Lord!

As you know the public schools have been required by NYS to test their water for lead. Though private schools are not required to do so, we felt it was in our students and staff best interest to test our own water. The results came back this week and we were found to have only two areas of concern. One is the cafeteria sink and the other are the sinks in the boys locker room. These fixtures will be turned off and covered. Thankfully none of our drinking fountains were found to contain any levels of concern. We will now work on the process of finding the source of the lead and repairing it. I will keep you apprised of our progress and any changes.

Only a few reminders:

PLEASE JOIN US!

All are invited to the Diocese of Buffalo **STREAM** event taking place this Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Joe's Collegiate High School (845 Kenmore Ave. in Buffalo) from 12:00-4:00 p.m. Students that participated in our fall sessions will be showcasing their work/projects and our Science Scrimmage & Robotics teams will be competing against other local schools. Admission is a canned food item to benefit the St. Joe's Christmas Food Drive. Snacks will be available for purchase. Please come out and support our school while you enjoy viewing many amazing projects created by our very own St. Andrew's students!

December 7th is our Christmas Concert in McNulty at 6pm. The children have been working very hard!! I hope you can bring your extended families to enjoy our students' angelic voices!

December 10th is our Breakfast with Santa! I am excited to see if my little one will get within 10 feet of Santa - though at the rate it is going, she will be ten by the time she can sit on his lap!

There will be much more coming next week so stay tuned! See you at the X-STREAM games!!

Peace,  
Mrs. P