

Happy November/December!

This weekend begins our Advent Season. Many families have different traditions that they share in during this time. Some do advent calendars, counting down to the birth of Jesus. Some have an elf on a shelf - a beloved tradition that I am still trying to figure out! Some do reverse advent calendars, where they give back something each day until Christmas. Some people help with St. Vincent DePaul or the Response to Love center, or other charity drives, like Toys for Tots. No matter what you do, be sure to remember that this is a joyous time - a time for listening, understanding, accepting, and believing. We have had a lot of drives going on here at school - from food to coats, to hats and mittens, to supplies for deployed soldiers, to our current drive - Toys for Tots. Each opportunity to give back is a chance to be the good for someone else - to live our faith through our actions. I hope everyone gets the chance to be the light and the good like Jesus is for us.

Please check out the FORMED flyers in this email. They are filled with wonderful resources for Advent.

This weekend is our 8th grade Meat Raffle. Saturday at 7pm (with doors opening at 5:30) starts a PACKED meat raffle which benefits the 8th graders for their goal of raising money for their 8th grade trip to Washington, DC, Gettysburg, and Hershey. We hope that you can join in the fun!!

Sunday is the X-STREAM games at St. Joes from 12-3:30. Head out and see what our kids have been doing in STREAM!! Cheer them on as they compete in Robotics, show off their CSI skills, and share their love of all things STREAM!!

Next Saturday is our Breakfast with Santa! We hope that you can join us! It is a great time for the kids!

We are happy to announce that we have found a new music teacher. I will be sending more information next week, but she should be starting mid-December and she is ready to get started with everything!

NJHS NEWS: National Junior Honor Society

National Junior Honor Society- All 6th, 7th and 8th Graders who meet the criteria based on scholarship (cumulative average of 90 or higher), exhibit character, citizenship, leadership qualities in and out of school, and have at least half of their service hour requirement completed are invited and encouraged to apply for membership. Applications were given out this week to students. The deadline for students for submitting ALL of the necessary paperwork is on or before Friday, January 11, 2019 by 2:30pm. Incomplete or late paperwork will not be accepted & decisions based on membership are final.

Drop Off and Pick Up: Parents are reminded that students are to be dropped off at either the main door or PK door (or bus circle). Parents cannot walk their child to the classroom. The morning and dismissal is a very busy time and teachers cannot take time away to conference - even for a short time - with parents and guardians at the door. If you would like to speak with a teacher, please reach out and make an appointment to see them.

Have a great weekend!!

Peace,
Mrs. P
