



Dear Families,

It is with tremendous joy that I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas. It is not an understatement to say that I was in awe of your children's performance this past Tuesday night. Their voices and energy were a reminder of the beauty of our Catholic school. For that, I am thankful. I hope that over break you will enjoy celebrating the birth of Christ and all of God's love that radiates from those celebrations.

I look forward to seeing everyone in the new year. January will be a busy month. Our faculty will utilize the Winter MAP assessments to measure student growth and achievement. Band practice will resume on Wednesdays. We will have the Nike Ambassadors back in the building on Thursday the 5th for after-school fun and games with the 2nd and 3rd graders. Later in the month, UMAC will be here to offer non-contact martial arts classes for K-5 students. Stay tuned for details. And we will end the month with Catholic Schools Week!

Please see below for other important information. I wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas!

Yours in Catholic education,

Mr. De Bona



1. Thank you to everyone for making Santa's visit this morning a wonderful event! Be on the lookout for an e-mail from the Parent Guild about access to photos with Santa.

2. A Sign Up Genius went out for the Pancake Breakfast on January 29th. Please consider donating your time to this wonderful fundraising event!

Please email the PG with any questions: parentguild@saintjohnschool.org



We will send out the January menu as soon as we get it.

Thank you for your patience.

Looking ahead:

Friday, December 23: School Closed for Christmas Break

Sunday, December 25: Merry Christmas!!!

Monday, January 2: School Closed for Christmas Break

Tuesday, January 3: School resumes

Wednesday, January 4: Band resumes

Thursday, January 5: Nike Ambassador Program for 2nd and 3rd grades 3:00-4:15

Friday, January 6: \$2 Dress-down, Half-day, After-care available 12-3

Christmas Dinner Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,

*Love brought Jesus to the earth,
and love brings us to this Christmas table.*

*Today as we share this holiday feast, may
our Christmas dinner be filled with kindness.
And may the memories of today warm our hearts
for years to come. Amen.*



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