

From the Office...

December 17, 2015

Dear Parents,

Thank you to all families who contributed to our Advent giving over the past couple of weeks for MAMI, Sancta Maria House, and the hamper for the local family in need. Collectively, \$5,000 was raised for the Oblate's School in Kenya and we were more than able to fill the needs of both Sancta Maria house and the family. Your continued generosity is inspirational and appreciated.

Non Uniform Day Tomorrow (Friday, December 18) - Tomorrow will be a non-uniform day and we are encouraging students to wear red or green.

School Potluck Lunch tomorrow (Friday, December 18) - Food for tomorrow's school potluck may be dropped off at 11:30am. Please ensure that you bring food items if you committed to doing so. We ask that food items be brought in labelled containers and cut up in portion sizes with labelled serving utensils provided. Lunch will begin at 12:15pm and will finish approximately 1:00pm. Adult seating will be provided in the hallways as well as classrooms. If you have a child who has food allergies and you are concerned about them **eating at the potluck**, please send along lunch from home.

Christmas Sing-A-Long 2:00pm tomorrow - Once again we will be ending the year with our Christmas sing-a-long in the gym. Upon the completion of the sing-a-long students will return to their classrooms to be dismissed for the year.

Scholastic Book Fair - Thank you to all those who came to our first Scholastic Book Fair. We reached over \$4,500 in sales which means that with a percentage of the proceeds we will be able to purchase many new books for our own library.

Basketball Season - Team games start mid January. Teams will receive their individual game schedules the first week back after the Christmas break.

Hot Lunch - Please go to the school website www.faihandfoundation.com to look at dates and menus for ordering. Ordering for the term may take place until Sunday, January 3.

Pass The Torch - Saturday, April 23, 2016 5:30pm - Mark your calendars! - Tickets go on sale online and in person Monday, January 4th and the night includes a three-course plated dinner, live and silent auctions, a cash bar and dancing with the HitZone Band. This year is the "TIME TO SHINE"! Start forming your tables of 10 over the winter break and become an Early Bird ticket holder. This year EVERY name will be entered to win a VIP table upgrade valued at over \$500 including champagne and shiny swag bags for all! The VIP draw will be held at the Valentines Tea, Feb. 12.

Driving Safety - A reminder to follow all traffic rules when picking up and dropping of your children. Everyone is in a hurry, but please make sure that you are driving in a safe and respectable manner.

Upcoming events - a January calendar will be going home with your children tomorrow. Please check their backpacks.

On behalf of our school staff, we wish you a Christmas that is filled with the blessings that come through Faith. Know of our immense gratitude for your support, loyalty and generosity to our school, to us as a team, to each of us individually and to our Parish. May God continue to bless you and your families over the Christmas season and into the New Year that is to come.

Catherine Oberndorf, for our School Staff