

December 8, 2011



SJCCS School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

December 14

Student Music Program, 6:30 PM in the church. Refreshments in Fr. Friend Hall after performance, along with a Bake Sale.

December 16

All-School Trip to movie "Arthur Christmas" at Starlight Movie theatre- 11:45 AM dismissal from the theatre—No Extended Care

December 18—Jan 3 Christmas Holidays

January 4

School resumes.

January 8

Open House, Noon—2:00 PM

CALENDAR CHANGE:

February 10

Bishop's Holiday—No school for students.
Diocesan Staff Development Meeting.

Christmas Program



Celebrate the season! Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments following the Christmas program Wednesday night, sponsored by the PTO.

You will also have an opportunity to purchase baked goods to take home (proceeds to benefit the school's related arts programs) and to purchase cheery Christmas mats (\$10 each).

Donations of baked items are needed. If you'd like to contribute, please drop off items on Wednesday. Also needed are Christmas themed plates (can be plastic or paper) to package goodies.

School Notes



- Our school is hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 8, from noon to 2:00 PM. Postcards will be sent home advertising this event. Please feel free to share these with friends and neighbors who may be interested in learning more about our school. Posters will also be available in the school office—if you know a business that would be willing to post our Open House announcement, please stop in and pick up a poster!
- From November to March, please remember that three layers are required for the P.E. uniform: tee shirt, sweatshirt, and jacket, plus sweatpants. Hats, scarves, and gloves are recommended for additional warmth but not required.
- Please email any volunteer hours you have worked for the school to Chris Milam at christina.milam@gmail.com.

Uniform Compliance

UNIFORM COMPLIANCE: We are currently at 91% compliance with school uniform wear. The majority of forgotten items are belts and sweaters. Please remember that as of November 1st, a school sweater is required every day as part of the uniform. Let's work hard these next 5 days to get 97% compliance to earn a dress down day next Friday.

2011 Elves Workshop

Elves Workshop is open today until 3:30 pm. We will also be open after all Masses this weekend - please come out and shop!! Thank you for your support.



Curriculum Fair

Your teacher will be soon be sending home project requirements for the school Curriculum Fair, which will be due the Monday of Catholic Schools Week, January 30. Projects will need a backboard, which can be purchased at Michael's Crafts, WalMart, Hobby Lobby, and other area stores.

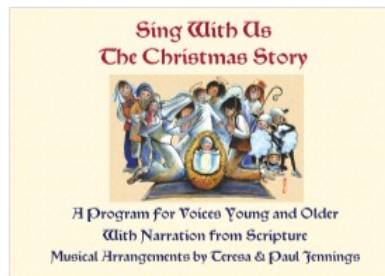
Thank You To Our Families!



Many thanks to all who contributed food items to our Thanksgiving basket service project. We were able to meet our goal of providing twenty full meal baskets to families in need. The guidance counselor at Homeland Park school and Fr. Aubrey of St. Mary of the Angels, both expressed gratitude on behalf of the families receiving the meals. As our part of the Diocesan-wide service project, this was a wonderful way of teaching our children to help others.

Tomorrow is the last day to order Scrip gift cards before the Christmas holidays. Please look over the list and incorporate Scrip into your holiday shopping!

Music News



Dear Parents,

On December 14th, at 6:30 PM all of our students will celebrate through instrument and song "Sing with Us the Christmas Story". They will also get to dress up as one of the characters in the story. I need all of your help, to help them learn these wonderful traditional Christmas Carols (sent home in homework folders this week). The teachers are also helping by singing each class's carols during their daily religion classes. Because I only get to see them once a week, this daily practice at home and in class is so helpful for the children, especially if they have a little stage fright. Also, please have fun and get creative in designing simple costumes at home. Simple things already in your home can be used (i.e. Scarves, bathrobes, sandals, pillow cases, face paint, etc.).

Pre-K and Kindergarten—Angels

First Grade—stable animals and sheep

Second Grade—Shepherds

Third Grade—Wise men and travelers (these can be more ornate)

Fourth through Seventh Grade—People of Bethlehem

Mary—Kate Oman

Joseph—James Canello

Innkeeper—Alex Gebing

Caesar Augustus—William Goad

Star of Bethlehem—Mary Kahler

I look forward to seeing everyone the evening of the concert, and I am delighting in each student's musical growth as they prepare. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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