



St. Rose School

January 2009



EMAIL TUITION STATEMENTS

Beginning on Jan. 15, 2009 we will email tuition statements. For three months we will also send by “snail mail”, but after that you will be responsible for checking your email monthly on or around the 15th. Only 5 or 6 families have not provided email addresses, so we will contact them for information. If your email address has changed during the past year, please let us know. Also, please inform us if there are any glitches when you receive your statement. We’ll send a reminder home closer to Jan. 15th. Thank you!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated from Jan. 24th to Jan. 30th. This year’s theme is “Catholic Schools Celebrate Service”. We will begin our celebration with a school Mass on Saturday, Jan. 24th at 5:30 P.M. More information about the week’s events will be sent home later.

GEOGRAPHY BEE

Our school’s final competition for the National Geographic Society’s Geography Bee will be Friday, Jan. 9th at 1:00 in the parish center.

THANK YOU

We extend a big thank you to Bernie Watt president of our School Council and an employee of IBM. Bernie participates in IBM’s employees’ matching grant program. This year Bernie purchased two laptops, two monitors, and a CPU for our school. Through the years Bernie has purchased equipment and several computers including PC’s, laptops, and our special Pre K computer. Thanks to Bernie, our technology program has stayed “cutting edge” for our children. Thanks, Bernie, for being our “tech angel”!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Maria Parish Center was filled with Christmas spirit at our annual Christmas program on Dec. 17th. Thank you to Mrs. Black, Miss Damiano, Mrs. Meintel and all the teachers and students who helped put together our program.

Thank you to the students, teachers, and homeroom parents for the beautiful Christmas baskets which we raffled at the program.

Thanks, also, to all who participated in the raffle to win the front seats and special parking. The drawing was held on Dec. 16th, and the Friedenberger family won!

POLICY for EMERGENCY CLOSING/DELAY/EARLY DISMISSAL

In the event of severe weather, St. Rose of Lima School always follows the decision of the Altoona Area School District concerning cancellations, delays, and early dismissals. Please listen to local radio and television stations for the Altoona Area School District decision. The school district posts the information very early on Educational Access Ch. 13.

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Kindergarten

In the event of a two hour delay, all Kindergarten students, regardless of half or full day status, will be in session from 10:15 A.M. until 2:40 P.M. All Kindergarten students will stay for lunch on these days

Pre School

Pre K 4

In the event of a two hour delay, all Pre K 4 students regardless of half or full day status will have class from 10:30 A.M. until 2:30. All the Pre K 4 children will stay for lunch on these days.

Pre K 3

In the event of a two hour delay, morning preschool classes should report from 10:15 A.M. until 12:15.

Before School Care

In the event of a two hour delay, Before School Care will begin at 9:30 A.M

HOMEWORK PICK-UP POLICY

Just as a reminder during the cold and flu season that if your child is absent from school you may call ahead so that you may pick up his/her homework in the office at 2:45. Due to the teachers' schedules, we cannot have the homework ready any earlier. Thank you.

SEASON of SHARING

Faith in action was evident throughout our school during the holiday season. Thank you to all the children and their families who participated in our many projects during the holiday season. Because of your generous help we were able to provide Christmas gifts for our "adopted family" through Catholic Charities. We sent two van loads of toys to Sr. Paula's soup kitchen. The children prepared cards for veterans, servicemen and women, and prisoners. The Thanksgiving Oxfam "Hunger Banquet" raised \$1,044 which was shared with Oxfam America and Sr. Paula's family kitchen. Due to the leadership of our fifth graders, the children raised \$567.00 to help our diocesan mission in Fulton County. Also, our food drives provided many boxes of food for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

3rd TAYLOR BLUNT – GR. 1

4TH MRS. MAIER

NICHOLAS SCARAMOZZINO – GR. 3

7TH JULIA RUNK – KDG

9TH KRISTEN BETTWY- GR. 2

MR. MASCHUE

11TH JOSEPH BERGER- GR. 4

SAMUEL STESSNEY – GR. 2

12TH NOAH TREXLER- GR. 4

14TH JEANA BOHN – KDG

VALERY BOHN – KDG

15TH MICHAEL BERISH – GR.3

JONAH BRANDT – GR. 2

17TH SOPHIA SIMANSKI – PRE K 4

18TH ZACHARY BRACKEN- GR. 8

19TH EVELYN MCCONNELL – GR. 2

20TH ABBY YAHNER – PRE K 4

ERIN YAHNER – PRE K 4

21ST MAYA IRWIN- GR. 6

22ND JUDE MYERS – GR. 7

28TH NATHANIEL MURPHY- GR. 4

30TH MATTHEW LENZE – GR. 1

