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Character Education Quote of the Week:

"You can easily judge the character of a man by how he treats those who can do nothing for him"

James D. Miles

NEWSLETTERS – Because the last day of school before Christmas break is Tuesday, December 22, there will be no newsletter next week. Also, any submissions for the January 6 newsletter must be in to the office by 8:00 AM on January 5.

CHRISTMAS VACATION – The last day of school before Christmas is Tuesday, Dec. 22. It is a full day with a 3:00 dismissal. School resumes Monday, Jan. 4

ST. SEBASTIAN MASS SCHEDULE – HOLYDAYS AND HOLIDAYS –

Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24
4:00 PM – Family mass
10:30 PM – Traditional mass with concert starting at 10:00

Day – Friday, December 25
9:30 AM – NOTE TIME CHANGE
(Note that there will be no 8:00 AM or 10:30 AM or 6:00 PM)

Mary, Mother of God – Holy Day
Friday, January 1
9:00 AM - mass

MATH COMPUTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN – Math Achiever Club computer program contest has a December 18th deadline for the Christmas contest. Students have completed the 1st of computation monthly tests to earn a spot on the Math Wall of Fame. The wall will be posted after Christmas. The third part is student participation at home on the math websites listed in the packet – Christmas vacation is great time to complete that requirement.

8TH GRADE PHOTO DAY – Graduation photos for 8th graders will be taken on Tuesday, Jan. 5. That will be a dress up day for 8th graders only.

CONE PATROL – Room 201 is on duty next week for the short week – Room 202 is on duty the first week we are back in January.

FRY KIDS NEWS - What an overwhelming response for fry kids we have had recently! We are very happy to see so many students eager to work. We find most of them to be extremely hard working and polite, and many customers have given rave reviews!

Due to the large volume of students trying to reserve a spot for themselves, we have implemented the following, so please take a note of this:

- 1- All children who want to work MUST call or email Christine Koch when "the call" comes out in the newsletter. Do not call Rachel Lustig. Nobody is automatically scheduled. It is first come, first serve.
- 2- There will be a deadline by which the child must sign up.
- 3- The week of fish fry, IF YOUR CHILD is ON to work Fish Fry, they will receive a paper confirmation containing instructions that student AND PARENT must read. If your child does not get this paper, they are not scheduled to work.
- 4- Wednesday before the fish fry, student names and job assignments will be posted in the newsletter. This will further confirm whether or not your child is working.
- 5- Your child must arrive to Fish Fry at 3:45 and stay until 7:30. In order to leave early, prior arrangements must be made with Fry Kid Coordinators no less than 24 hours in advance.
- 6- Students who have not arrived by 4 pm will have their tables reassigned to a student who is present.
- 7- If your child comes to work but is not scheduled, or arrives later than 4 pm, they will be sent home.
- 8- Rowdy or disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated. Please let your child know they may not be invited back unless they follow the rules and exhibit Christian values.

We feed the kids pizza, soda and fries around 3:50 and dessert at 7:30. Thank you for your understanding and support as we new coordinators fine tune things to make for a positive experience for all! You may want to print this for your reference.

Your Fry Kid Coordinators,
Christine Koch, Greg Kozina, and Mary Madigan

6TH GRADE PARENT MEETING – There will be a meeting for all 6th grade parents to review the details of the upcoming Outdoor Education camping trip. It will be held in the multipurpose room on Thursday, January 7th at 7:15 PM.

THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL BOUTIQUE - The participation of so many in the 43rd annual Holiday Boutique, *It's A Wonderful Life*, sponsored by the Women of St. Sebastian, truly demonstrates that we are one of the "richest" parishes in town in terms of the energy, enthusiasm, and the sharing of time and talent that make all of our lives wonderful. We are thankful for the many volunteers who transformed the parish hall into a mini-Bedford Falls, and those who labored for months to provide beautiful handcrafted items to sell, to our waiters, the Sunday family event planners, and the clean-up crews, all of whom made this Christmas event such a huge success. We are grateful to everyone who donated items and goods, attended the Boutique's events and participated in any way. Like George Bailey, we hope that you come to realize the value you bring to all of our lives at St. Sebastian Parish.

GREEN TEAM START-UP – Attention parents – If you would be interested in joining our St. Sebastian Green Team, please contact Tracey Weigel by email at traceyweigel@gmail.com or by phone at 302-0801. Help us become more environmentally friendly! Thank you.

ROSIE READER - Congratulations to the following students for their progress on the Rosie Reader program:

Completing the letter E in R-E-A-D-I-N-G:

K4- Kallan Mosley

K4- Lauren Parker

Completing the letter A:

K5- Henry Desch

Completing the letter D:

K5- Eli Koppa

Completing the letter I:

K5- Claire Nistler

Great job to all and keep reading!

SPIRIT WEAR – Yesterday was pick-up for all Spirit Wear orders. If you were not able to make it to the pick-up, your order will NOT be sent home as was stated in Monday's email. It will be in the office for pick-up. If you have questions about your order, please call Julie Baudhuin at 774-7086.

Revised Basketball Snack Stand schedule/procedures SEE NEW SCHEDULE IN THIS NEWSLETTER!!!!

Hello to all 5th – 8th Grade basketball families. Please read the revised snack stand schedule for your day and time of service. The shift times and lengths have changed to accommodate the deletion of some families, so disregard the original schedule. Just a few reminders on procedures:

- Families were scheduled a shift for each player that you have in basketball – coaches and gym runners were not assigned shifts
- Snack stand schedule is posted outside of the snackstand
- **Your family is responsible for completing your assigned shift or making a switch prior to that day with another family**
- If someone does not show up for their shift, please recruit someone at the game to help out for that shift – one person does admissions, the other does the snack stand (you could switch the jobs halfway through if you so desire) – There is a buzz book in the snack stand if calls need to be made – you'll need a cell phone as there is no phone available in the stand/gym
- Three people are on the end of the day shifts to accommodate for a more thorough cleanup/restocking/organizing of our snack stand area
- Directions for snack stand equipment and procedures are found inside the snack stand in the green booklet, and on various wall posters
- Please leave a note at the end of the final shift in the cash box of any low supplies

Thanks to all for your efforts in making this work smoothly
Anne Desotelle

THE FACULTY CHRISTMAS CONCERT SONG –

To the tune of "Walkin' in a Winter Wonderland"

Children scream, they won't listen
When they go, we won't miss em'
In all of this pain, we try to stay sane
All: **Christmas at St. Sebastian School**
Christmas comes, they're excited
Though our nerves, they've ignited
They bounce off the wall, they run in the halls
All: **Christmas at St. Sebastian School**
In the lunchroom we can hear them yellin'
And we know that they are really wound
Someone hits, the says "I'm telling"
And that is when our heads begin to pound

To the tune of "White Christmas"

I'm dreaming of my free Christmas
Where I can sleep in until noon
Where there's no more phone calls, and no papers,
And I can finally leave my room.

To the tune of "Walkin' in a Winter Wonderland"

All: **Pretty soon we'll be restin'**
Cause our nerves, they've been testin'
We're happy it's here
It comes once a year
Christmas at St. Sebastian School