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Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

- There will be **NO SCHOOL** on *Monday, January 15th* in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

**Martin
Luther
King
Day**



SPIRIT DAY MAKE-UP

- Due to our Snow Day last Friday, we have rescheduled our Spirit Day for this Friday, January 12, 2018.

2018 LOTTERY CALENDARS

- Stacey Ziegler our Lottery Calendar Coordinator needs all Lottery Calendar stubs returned ASAP. If she does not receive the stubs we cannot submit a winner for payment. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Stacey at (412)418-3751 or shelbyz2005@yahoo.com.

REPORT CARDS

- The End of the 2nd Report Period is *Tuesday, January 23rd*. **REPORT CARDS** for the 2nd Quarter will be sent home in the *Wednesday, January 31st* Home Folder. Please sign the Report Card envelope and return only the Report Card envelope to school.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

- This year **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** will be celebrated from *Sunday, January 28, 2018, through Friday, February 2, 2018*. The theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is - **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS – LEARN. SERVE. LEAD. SUCCEED.** We have many activities planned where we will focus on this theme.
 - Some of our activities include:
 - We will open Catholic Schools Week with Mass on Sunday, January 28, 2018 at 12:15PM. Following Mass at 1:15PM, we will celebrate with a Fellowship Luncheon in the School Cafeteria.
 - Our annual Catholic Schools Week **PRE-SCHOOL / KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT** will be on *Wednesday, January 31st from 6:00PM – 7:00PM*.
 - Our **TALENT SHOW** will take place on *Friday, February 2, 2018* during Catholic Schools Week at 7:00PM on the stage in the School Cafeteria. The event will be hosted by our St. Margaret of Scotland PTG.
 - Additional Activities include - **THEME DAYS, SERVICE PROJECTS, PEP RALLY, JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT DAY, BOWLING, AND A MAGICIAN.**
 - Additional information and a complete Catholic Schools Week schedule of events will be included in next week's Home Folder.



ABSENT / TARDY

- **Reminder:** Please call the School Office by 9:30AM or email our school secretary Karen Milkowski at kmilkowski@stmargschool.com if your child(ren) will be absent from school due to an illness or doctor's appointment. In addition, please call or email if your child(ren) will be tardy so we can sign them up for lunch.



ONE-TO-ONE TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE

- **UPDATE:** Our ONE-TO ONE TECHNOLOGY GOAL for this year is in the process of coming to fruition. Our goals were to provide each of our Middle School Students with their own Chrome Book and to begin to install wireless access points in the school, so our students could access the internet from their Chrome Books. I am happy to report that 50 Chrome Books have been purchased and delivered. The wireless access points are in the process of being installed in our Middle School Hallway. Our students should begin using their Chrome Book by the 2nd Semester.



CONFIRMATION DATE ANNOUNCED

- Fr. Bud has been notified by the Diocese that **8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION** is scheduled for **Sunday, April 8, 2018 at 12:15PM** at St. Margaret of Scotland Church. Our Celebrant will be **Bishop William J. Waltersheid**. If you have any questions regarding Confirmation, please contact Nancy Spinneweber, Coordinator of Religious Education at (412)921-1613 or nancy@stmargparish.org.

WINTER WEATHER ALERTS

- We will use our **PARENT ALERT MESSAGING SYSTEM** through *Option C* for all winter weather school closings and delays. This system allows us to send alerts to parents and guardians via phone, text and email directly through the Option C site. If you would like to update how you currently receive these messages, please contact the school office. IN ADDITION, THERE WILL BE NO BEFORE SCHOOL CARE ON DAYS WE HAVE A 2 HOUR DELAY.



- Due to the number of our students who receive bus transportation through the Pittsburgh Public Schools, we will follow the Pittsburgh Public Schools regarding all weather-related school closings and delays. If the Pittsburgh Public Schools are closed or have a 2hr delay, we will as well. St. Margaret of Scotland will also be listed on all the Media Outlets (KDKA, WTAE, WPXI) under our own listing.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Wednesday, January 10th** - 6:00PM – PTG BOARD MEETING
- **Monday, January 15th** – NO SCHOOL – MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY
- **Tuesday, January 16th** – ROSARY PRAYER SERVICE – 1:40PM
- **Wednesday, January 17th** – SCHOOL MASS – 9:00AM
- **Saturday, January 20th** –
 - 2ND GRADE FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS – 9:00AM – NOON
- **Tuesday, January 23rd** –
 - END OF THE 2ND QUARTER
 - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – 1:40PM
- **Wednesday, January 24th** – SCHOOL MASS – 9:00AM
- **Friday, January 26th** – 11:30AM DISMISSAL – CLERICAL DAY
- **Sunday, January 28th – Friday, February 2nd** – CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



Many Blessings,

Mr. Munz