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Dear Parents and Guardians,

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. Please refer to your Catholic Schools Week Schedule sent home in this week’s Home Folder for our daily dress theme.



Highlights of Catholic Schools Week

- *Sunday, January 28th* –
 - **12:15PM MASS** – KICK-OFF TO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CHILDREN’S LITURGY. Please make every effort to attend – all are welcome. STUDENTS ARE TO BE DRESSED IN SCHOOL MASS DAY UNIFORMS.
 - **1:15PM** – FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON – School Cafeteria sponsored by our PTG
- *Monday, January 29th* –
 - **10:00AM** – 3RD – 8TH BOWLING – Noble Manor Lanes
- *Tuesday, January 30th* –
 - JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT DAY – Our JA lessons will be taught by Bishop Canevin High School Students.
- *Wednesday January 31st* –
 - **6:00PM – 7:00PM** - PRE-SCHOOL / KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT - Please plan to attend, invite your neighbors as well, particularly those who may be thinking about Catholic Education for their children. You will have the opportunity to meet our teachers, tour our classrooms, view a presentation of our curriculum and get registration information.
- *Thursday, February 1st* –
 - **9:30AM** – 1ST & 4TH FIELD TRIP – St. Anthony Chapel
 - **1:00PM** – PreK- 8th WEIRD ERIC ASSEMBLY (Magician) sponsored by our PTG
- *Friday February 2nd* –
 - **9:00AM** – CLOSING OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CHILDREN’S LITURGY
 - **7:00PM** - Our TALENT SHOW which will take place on the stage in the School Cafeteria. The event will be hosted by our St. Margaret of Scotland PTG. Tickets are available. There will be concessions and a 50/50 raffle during the event. Volunteers are needed!



CLERICAL DAY

- There will be an **11:30AM DISMISSAL** for students on *Friday, January 26th*. This will be an afternoon Clerical Day for Teachers. No Lunch will be served. No After-School Care will be available.

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. Parent / Teachers Conferences will be available upon request.



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 have been installed in our Middle School Hallway. Our Chrome Books are currently being updated and the students will begin using their Chrome Book by the 2nd Semester.



DECEMBER / JANUARY BOX TOPS UPDATE

- **CONGRATULATIONS** to the 2nd Grade class for winning the December/January Box Tops Homeroom Challenge. As a school, for the month, we collected a total of 1,413 Box Tops for a total of \$141.30. Our next Box Top Collection will be on *Wednesday, February 28, 2018*. In addition, we received a check last week from Box Top Education for \$644.40 for the end of the year. Thanks to all who participated and remember to keep sending in your Box Tops.

Don't Forget to Collect
BOX TOPS!



and send them to your school

2ND GRADE FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT

- Our First Reconciliation Retreat for 2nd Grade Parents and Students will take place this *Saturday, January 20, 2018* in the school cafeteria from 9:30AM – Noon. All 2nd Grade Students who will be making their First Reconciliation and at least one of their parents need to attend this retreat.

NAEP TESTING

- St. Margaret's 8th Grade Class has been selected to represent private schools across the nation by participating in the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) on Friday, February 2, 2018. Our 8th grade students will be tested on civics, geography and U.S History. The assessment will take 90 minutes. NAEP is different from state and school assessment because it provides a common measure of student achievement across the country. The results are released as the Nation's Report Card, which provides information about student achievement to educators, parents, policymakers and the public. Additional information is available at <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/>

SARRIS EASTER CANDY SALE

- St. Margaret of Scotland is sponsoring its annual EASTER CANDY SALE from now until *Wednesday, February 14, 2018*. Candy brochures are available in this week's Home Folder. The candy will be available for pick-up on *Tuesday, March 20, 2018* in the school lobby. Please call Diane McNamara at (412)952-4597 or email at tootsjog@homail.com with any questions.

LITTLE DRIBBLERS

- Our LITTLE DRIBBLERS BASKETBALL PROGRAM is open to all St. Margaret students and parish members Kindergarten – 2nd grade, free of charge. Little Dribblers takes place on Saturday mornings from 8:00AM – 9:00AM in the School Gym. Our program is instructed by longtime coach Bob Palmosino. Fundamental and Instructional Basketball skills are taught.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Saturday, January 20th** –
 - 2ND GRADE FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS – 9:30AM – 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