



Reminders: December 10th is Picture re-takes and clubs/sports pictures. Ice-Cream Wednesdays \$2. AppleBee's Dine-Out Fundraiser on April 13th. December 14th is a \$3 Dress Down for Christmas! The Toy Drive ends on December 17th. The Christmas Concert begins at 7 PM. The Pre-K for All Holiday Spectacular is on December 20th beginning at 12 noon. December 20th is the last day before the Christmas break. There is NO After-Care on December 20th. School is closed from December 21st and re-opens January 2nd.

Sacred Heart School - News Updates (2 pages)

Gospel Reading

In next Sunday's Gospel message (Luke 3: 1-6) John preaches repentance and baptizes in the region of the Jordan. During the season of Advent, we choose to add many activities to our family's schedule to prepare for our celebration of Christmas. John the Baptist reminds us that our repentance is another way in which we can prepare for the Lord's coming and our celebration of Christmas. We seek forgiveness of our sins as we prepare for Jesus' coming.

Success Stories:

Kelly Shashaty will be representing Sacred Heart in the Staten Island Regional Spelling Bee on December 13th. She is already a winner to have made it there!

We had another successful turnout at our Holiday Stroll on Forest Avenue on December 6th. There were about 30 children who came out to sing Christmas carols. Teachers, classmates and I were there supporting them and singing along. Thank you carolers and supporters- another wonderful night!

Our Toy Drive for the Seaman's Society has been very successful. Keep bringing in those unwrapped gifts and even gift cards for older children would be great! Your generosity and compassion will be placing smiles on many children this Christmas. We are collecting until December 17th. Thank you so much.

Principal Anecdotes:

The students in grades 6 through 8 only will be taking mid-terms mid-January. Grades 3, 4, & 5 will be taking a Religion mid-term only. Teachers will be giving students outlines before the Christmas break.

The parking lot has been opened but it is not finished. There is still work that needs to be done and I am awaiting the schedule. We will continue to leave the gate open and the students will also continue entering the red doors until further notice.

The front doors on North Burgher have recently been checked and re-checked in order to confirm their security. Parts of the door have been replaced and we also had the buzzer checked to insure it is properly working and it is. We were experiencing an occasional glitch of the door where it was not locking. It seems to be 100% right now, locking each time but we will continue to monitor to insure its security. We will be ordering a larger monitor for the office staff to view who is being buzzed into the building. Please remember to call ahead if you have any business at the school during the school day. The safety of children is always our first priority.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Sacred Heart families a blessed and very Merry Christmas and a healthy, Happy New Year!!!!!!

December 7, 2018

Principal's News



Classroom Happenings:

Students in the seventh grade have been donating their snack money for the last month for a worthy cause. The class has “adopted” six underprivileged children here on Staten Island, thanks to a RUMC program that has connected the children to each other. They have raised over \$100 so far, and plan on continuing for another week. The students will purchase, wrap, and label gifts to be delivered to their “adopted” families. These SHS students really embody the generosity of the Christmas season!

Kindergarten will be getting in the Christmas spirit and going to see “The Christmas Show” at CSI on Thursday, December 20th. Kindergarten is having fun working on the “Twelve Days of Christmas Yoga Pose Story”.

Science projects are happening in the 5th & 6th grades. Water cycle mobiles are being made by the 5th grade. The children learned about transpiration and infiltration. 6th grade is currently working on friction ramps. They will investigate the effect of friction on the distance travelled by a toy car.

Upcoming Events:

December 13th – SI Spelling Bee

December 14th – 6th, 7th, & 8th trip to Moore Catholic to see “Christmas Time is Here”- Nativity Story.

December 18th – First grade trip to CSI to see “Holidays Around the World”.

December 19th – The Annual Christmas Concert begins at 7PM, children must be at school 6:30 PM, tickets are being pre-sold.

December 20th – The PKFA Holiday Spectacular begins at noon.

December 20th – Kindergarten trip to CSI to “Twas’ the Night Before Christmas”.

January 2nd – School resumes

January 3rd – Candy Bar Sale begins

January 8th – Touring Tuesday

January 11th- 12 o'clock dismissal