



ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2009

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Loving God, Help us remember the birth of Jesus,
that we may share in the song of the angels,
the gladness of the shepherds,
and worship of the wise men.



Close the door of hate
and open the door of love all over the world.
Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting.
Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings,
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children,
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts,
forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

-- Robert Louis Stevenson

Our sincere wishes for a very blessed Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!

Mrs. Nickel & Mrs. Aubuchon

P.S. - Thank you so much to all of you who have been spoiling us with wonderful treats. We sincerely appreciate it!

**On the next page you will find a paragraph from Mrs. Kottenstette written at the request of
Mrs. Nickel and Mrs. Aubuchon**

Internet Safety Tips for Kids

With the Christmas break just around the corner, most kids are going to be spending more time than usual on the computer. Here are a few Internet safety tips from Web Wise Kids, the Internet Safety Program all students will begin using in January.

- 1) Keep an adult nearby- Cyberspace can be fun, but it is also a place where kids can get into serious trouble. The best protection is to make sure an adult is nearby to answer questions.
- 2) Protect your computer- Make sure your computer contains up-to-date virus-protection software.
- 3) Protect your privacy- The people you meet online are strangers. Never tell anyone private information about yourself.
- 4) Protect your password- A password is private. Never tell your password to anyone, not even your best friend.
- 5) Protect the privacy of others- Never give out private information about your friends or family.
- 6) Beware of contests, clubs, prizes and gifts- You could be giving away private information about yourself or your family.
- 7) Beware of strangers- If a stranger asks to meet or phone you, asks for your picture or wants to send you a picture, tell a parent or teacher right away.
- 8) Don't break the law- Illegal activities such as sending or posting hateful emails, using other people's passwords, copying and using software or music files, and trying to access other computers, can get you into serious trouble with the law.
- 9) Practice "Netiquette"- Treat others with courtesy and respect.

Merry Christmas – Mrs. Kottenstette

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Merry
Christmas

AND

HAPPY
NEW
YEAR

DECEMBER CHRISTSKILLS – PATIENCE & GENEROSITY
JANUARY CHRISTSKILLS – INITIATIVE & COOPERATION

NEW THIS YEAR !!! ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON MOMS' MASS ON JANUARY 4

Moms – mark your calendar for Monday, January 4, 8:30 a.m.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Feast Day – Moms' Mass

Go to your child/ren's classroom/s when the doors open at
7:50 a.m. and join them at Mass at 8:30 a.m.





Diocese of KC/St. Joseph Catholic High School Placement Test Saturday, January 9, 2010

High school placement testing for eighth grade students will take a placement test on Saturday, January 9. Doors open at 8 a.m., and testing begins at 8:30 a.m. Please call the school of your choice to reserve a spot for the test and to confirm what to bring. The test will be given at: Archbishop O'Hara, Cristo Rey in Kansas City, Notre Dame de Sion, Rockhurst, St. Mary's, St. Pius X, and St. Teresa's Academy. Every 8th grader must take the HSPT, even if planning to attend a public high school. This is a graduation requirement.

Background Information To Help Answer Questions:

Archbishop O'Hara, Bishop LeBlond, Cristo Rey in Kansas City, St. Mary's and St. Pius X use the Explore Test. Students testing at these locations should bring two #2 pencils, a calculator, and Social Security numbers. The cost for the test is \$10.

Notre Dame de Sion, Rockhurst and St. Teresa's Academy use the High School Placement Test (HSPT). Students testing at these locations should bring two #2 pencils. Calculators are not allowed. The cost for the test is \$15.

Students should take the test where they most likely will attend high school. All of the high schools will award merit scholarships based on this test. To be eligible for a scholarship, students must take the test at the school awarding the scholarship. ***Each school has needs-based tuition assistance.***

In order to ensure that there are enough testing materials, we ask that students reserve a spot for the exam. Admissions personnel also will be happy to answer questions.

- **Archbishop O'Hara – Ann Julich – (816) 763-4800, ext. 206**
- **Cristo Rey of Kansas City – Marcela Lopez – (816) 595-2805**
- **Notre Dame de Sion – Emily Taylor – (816) 942-3282, ext. 123**
- **Rockhurst – Jack Reichmeier – (816) 363-2036, ext. 558**
- **St. Mary's – Lori Jonas – (816) 268-2555**
- **St. Pius X – Melanie Martin – (816) 453-3450, ext. 117**
- **St. Teresa's Academy – Roseann Hudnall – (816) 501-0035**



A NOTE FROM THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



Dear St. Elizabeth Families,

The final rounds of the Lillis Tournament will take place this weekend. The Lillis Tournament is a joint effort between Visitation, St. Peter and St. Elizabeth Schools. It takes an incredible amount of volunteer hours to host this tournament.

Here is the Math:

53 games in 13 days
Game Clock = 66 hours
Concession = 132 hours
Gate = 50 hours
Gym Manager = 26 hours

TOTAL = 274 hours - That is a lot of volunteer time!!

Thank you to Everett Lanter, Cheryl Brown and Matt Hilderbrand for coordinating the volunteer effort.

St. Elizabeth is such a giving community. I'd like to thank the following families for all their volunteer hours during this tournament:

Allen, Anderson/Muth, Arthur, Beck, Bullington, Calia, Campbell, Carter, Charles, Cigas, Collins, Cressey, Crimmons, Decker, Derickson, Fletcher, Fiorella, Galey, Gibson, Gotschall, Havey, Heinemann, Jester, Jones, King, Knopke, Kreidler, Lester, Loman, Lankford, Leuschen, Madden,

Mannebach, McCauliffe, McDonald, Medina, Meyer, Meysenburg, Newell, O'Boyle, O'Connell, Odrowski, Pfaff, Prusa, Puthoff/Brownlee, Quinn, Randolph, Rice, Ritz, Seese, Shramek, Sparks, Sturr, Swearingen, Trysla-Arthur, Young, Zuk.

A Special thanks to our dedicated basketball coaches. And thank you to the Beers/Beck/Bowers Freshman CYO team, the Sunday Night Men's Basketball group, The Shrameks who did double time in the gym and the Allens who donated a microwave to the concession stand.

We ask that each family volunteer at least 10 hours during the season. The regular season will begin January 9th. There will be plenty of opportunities to volunteer in our gym during the 2010 season.

Thanks again,

Martha C. Kauffman
St. Elizabeth School
Athletic Director
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LUNCH MENU FOR DECEMBER 21 - JANUARY 8

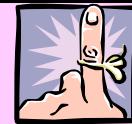
Monday, December 21	Cheese pizza, carrots & broccoli, fruit, pudding pie
Tuesday, December 22	NOON DISMISSAL
Wednesday, December 23	NO SCHOOL
Thursday, December 24	NO SCHOOL
Friday, December 25	MERRY CHRISTMAS
Monday, January 4	Mini corn dogs, baked beans, fruit, nsickerdoodle cookie
Tuesday, January 5	Burrito, rice, fruit, brownie
Wednesday, January 6	Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, garlic toast, fruit
Thursday, January 7	Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes/gravy, green beans, cherry crisp
Friday, January 8	Grilled cheese, baby carrots, fruit, sherbet

Hot lunch with milk - \$2.00. (Grilled cheese sandwich or chef salad can be substituted for the main entrée)
Milk - \$.30 Water - \$1.00
Extras: Hamburger, burrito, French fries, chicken nuggets, etc. \$1.00
Cinnamon roll, ice cream, chips, yogurt, granola bar - \$.50 Garlic toast, cookie, cake - \$.30

CAFETERIA NOTE: IF YOU DO NOT BRING A LUNCH FROM HOME OR DO NOT PURCHASE A HOT LUNCH, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PURCHASE EXTRAS.



DATES TO REMEMBER



December 18	Newsletter Posted
December 22	PS Program – 9 a.m. in Seton Hall
December 22	CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS WITH NOON DISMISSAL – NO AFTERCARE
January 4	School Resumes – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Mom's Mass @ 8:30 a.m.
January 8	End of Quarter 2
January 9	HSPT Test
January 14	Report Cards Home
January 14	8th Grade Improv – 7 p.m. in Seton Hall
January 15	NOON DISMISSAL – OPTIONAL CONFERENCES
January 18	NO SCHOOL – MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY
January 22	Newsletter Posted