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GRANDPARENTS' DAYS

Wed, January 28th – Students Last Names A-L

Thurs, January 29th – Students Last Names M-Z

For each day, grandparents will meet students downstairs and go to Mass. After Mass, a small reception will be held in the gym. Grandparents may visit classrooms if they wish until 10:00 a.m.

Please note:

- For each day students will meet grandparents at 8:20 a.m.
- For each day Grades 1-4 will go down stairwell on the gym side of the building
- For each day Grades 5-8 will go down stairwell by ramp
- For each day Kindergarten will go down the ramp
- For each day Pre-K children should be picked up from their classroom
- Grandparents may park in the yard
- Picture envelopes are being sent home today. Please turn in your envelope to the photographer when your pictures are taken.

OTHER CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK ACTIVITIES

In addition to Grandparents' Days we have a number of other activities incorporated into this week:

Tuesday: St. Angela Merici's Feast Day. We will have a special reflection on St. Angela's life at morning assembly this morning. The Archdiocesan CSW Mass is today. Some of our students will be attending and taking part in this Mass. Today is also a Student Council theme day as follows from the recent memo: *"A Faith-filled Future."* Students may wear, in addition to their regular uniform skirt, pants or shorts, and shoes, some indication of his/her future, for example, high school or college colors, sweatshirt, socks or T-shirt, or some symbol of what they want to be when they "grow up." Sweatshirt or T-shirt can be in place of the regular uniform shirt.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Happy Catholic Schools! As we celebrate Catholic Schools Week, we focus on the national theme – "Catholic Schools: A Faith-filled Future." This theme, in just a few short words, summarizes what we, at St. Angela Merici School, strive toward each and every day. We strive, on a daily basis, to further our mission, which is the development of the whole child: spiritually, emotionally, academically, socially and physically.

We strive to achieve the goals of St. Angela Merici School, which are:

- To teach children to live the Gospel message of Christ in order to make wise and moral decisions as they face the challenges of growing up in today's world.
- To provide an integrated curriculum that meets the needs of all students and prepares them with the base of knowledge needed to be successful in high school and beyond.
- To provide students with a family-like atmosphere in which development of positive self esteem flourishes.

As part of the St. Angela Merici School family, we all have a role in carrying out our mission. We hope that you celebrate along with us this week! Please see the rest of this bulletin for more details.

Friday: A special "Reading Rally" will be held on this day to encourage enrichment reading and our Accelerated Reading program. We have a special guest magician sharing the "Magic of Reading" for the lower grades at 2:15 today. The Student Council joined in this theme as follows: *"Reading is Our Future."* Students may dress as their favorite literary character. This may be worn in place of the regular uniform. Costume may be simple, but evidence of character should be identifiable. If students choose not to dress as a character then school uniform must be worn.

2004-05 REGISTRATION PACKETS

2004-05 registration packets for continuing students will be distributed tomorrow, January 27th. Registration forms for siblings entering next year that notified the school office will be sent home with your older child.

MONTHLY CALENDARS

The February monthly and lunch calendars are being sent home today.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Any current school families who are in financial need are invited to apply for tuition assistance for the 2004-05 school year. Applications along with a cover letter explaining the process can be requested through Mrs. Hamilton in the school office. All applications are due back to the school office by February 19th. If you have any questions about this process, please call Mrs. Remont or Mrs. Hamilton.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ARTS/MUSIC FESTIVAL

Art display will be at Lakeside Shopping Center beginning at 5:00 p.m. today, January 26th until 5:00 p.m. January 31st.

CO-OP NEWS

- Co-Op meeting is tonight, January 26th at 7:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there. Please look for the sign-up sheet to work the book fair at the sign in table tonight.
- The prize booth for the Cookie Dough sales will be at the school next Thursday, February 5th. The children that participated in the fund-raiser will be allowed to come to the prize room with the class during the school day and pick out their prizes. Thanks again to everyone that participated.

SCIENCE FAIR

Science Fair will be on Friday, February 6 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come by and see our 5-8 grade students' science investigations.

FAIR NEWS

The first fair meeting will be on Thursday, January 29th at 6:30 in the annex conference room. All past and present fair committee members are requested to attend. Anyone interested in the fair committee are invited to attend.

CHOIR NEWS

Practice this Wednesday, January 28th and February 4th. Sing for Confirmation Mass on Wednesday, February 11th at 7:00 p.m.

BAND NEWS

- Saturday morning supplemental classes, at St. Christopher: January 31st – Beginner class, 10:30-11:30; 1st year Jazz Band members, 11:30-12:30.
- Tutoring for “Solo and Ensemble” participants, free of charge – contact Mr. Smith to schedule an afternoon appointment on January 31st. The next available lessons will be February 21st and 28th. Contact Mr. Smith at 393-0286.

SPORTS NEWS

Girls Basketball

Tues. 1/27 vs. St. Elizabeth Jr. 4:00 @ SAM
Wed. 1/28 vs. St. Benilde Jr. 4:00 @ SAM
Thurs. 1/29 vs. St. Elizabeth Sr. 5:00 @ SAM
Fri. 1/30 vs. St. Benilde Jr/Sr 4:00/5:00 @ SAM
Mon. 2/2 vs. OLPH Jr. 5:00 @ St. Clement
On Saturday, January 31st the Jr. and Sr. girls will play St. Ann at the New Orleans Arena at 2:00 (Jr.) and 3:00 (Sr.). Your ticket will also allow you to see the Hornets play the Miami Heat at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00. If interested, send your money in this week in an envelope labeled “Hornets tickets”. Checks should be payable to St. Angela.

Cheerleading

Please check the sports calendar on website for daily updates on playoff schedule @ www.stangelaschool.org
Jan 26 – Perky Icebreakers @ St. Clement – 3:45-4:45
Jan 27 – Super Penguins @ St. Angela – 3:45-4:45
Jan 28 – Perky Icebreakers @ St. Angela – 3:45-4:45
Jan 29 – Super Penguins @ St. Angela – 4:45-5:45
Jan 30 – Perky Icebreakers @ St. Angela – 3:45-5:45

CONGRATULATIONS TO

- Tyler Dirksmeyer and Natalie Doescher for being grand prize winners of The Fair Grounds Race Course Horsin' Around Create-A-Silk Coloring Contest.

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

The Environmental Club will resume meetings next Tuesday, February 3rd in the Science Lab. The meeting will be from 3:30 – 4:15.

SIM CITY

SIM City members will have their final meeting on Wednesday, January 28th from 3:30-4:15.

PAPER DRIVE

There will be a paper drive this Thursday, January 29th. Students will be upstairs on this day in the morning.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

A friend is someone who reaches for your hand and touches your heart.

KID'S THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

The colder you look when you come inside, the bigger the cup of hot chocolate you'll get.

WAYS TO PRAISE KIDS

You've really grown up.