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Dear Families,

Happy New Year and Welcome Back! - I hope you had a wonderful Christmas with your family and you enjoyed your vacation time. It is important in education for the children to recharge their minds and get ready to work hard again. I know the students are eager to get back to school.....or was that their parents!

Excellent Reviews - I thank and commend our students for doing a tremendous job in their Christmas musicals. All three programs were wonderful as a result of their hard work and the excellent direction of **Mr. Sarkisian, Mrs. Cornwell and all of our teachers and students**. We hope you enjoyed the programs as much as **Msgr. Rob!**

In Memory - We are mourning the loss a member of the St. Anthony's School community. **Mr. Mario Beltramo, Sr.** passed away this morning. He was a vibrant member of our SAS family and will be missed immensely. Every week he could be found leading the rosary for Mrs. Gennock's and Mrs. Sakugawa's 2nd grade classes in the church. We are comforted knowing that he is now leading the rosary in heaven with Our Lady by his side. The Rosary will be held this Friday, January 8th at 7:00 pm. and the funeral will be at 10:00 am on Saturday, January 9th at St. Anthony's Church. Please keep him and the family in your prayers.

Kindergarten Registration – In this weeks packet please find the kindergarten registration form for our St. Anthony's school siblings. Please fill this form out and return it to the school office. The deadline for this form is **January 29, 2010**. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Reynolds.

Hot Lunch Correction – The K3 Friday January 8th hot lunch has had a slight change to its menu. There will NOT BE cheese quesadillas but instead there will be nachos.

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting - There will be a **mandatory** parent meeting for 2nd Grade Parents who students are preparing for First Reconciliation. **The meeting is this Thursday, January 7th at 6:30 pm in the Church (Chapel).**

AEP Update – We welcome **Mrs. Brittany Collins** as the new AEP Director. If you need to reach the AEP department after school office hours, please call her at **349-6329**.

SJM Football Camp - The 2010 Weight and Agility Camp is here! If you are a 6th- 8th grader and are interested in participating in this camp, please see the flier in today's packet. The camp is from 6:00 -7:00 pm on February 22nd, 24th, ; March 1st, 3rd, 8th, 10th, 17th, 22nd, 24th, 29th, 31st; April 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, 26th and 28th for a total of 17 sessions. The cost is \$150 (includes camp T-shirt).

Yearbook Page Reminder – All yearbook ads (meaning the actual ad itself) are due in the office no later than **Wednesday, January 13th** in the school office. Please be sure to get them in so that you will be guaranteed a spot in the Yearbook.

Yearbook Ad Pages - There are a limited amount of Yearbook Ad Pages available for \$75. If you would like to purchase one for your student or business they are available on a first come, first-serve basis. Please see Mrs. Stone to reserve your spot. Payment is due upon reservation in order to hold this page. As of today there are 30 pages available. Hurry as they will go fast!

Talent Show –Starting today Tuesday, Dec. 5th students participating in the Talent Show will perform their skits to ensure that all acts are appropriate for our school. The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday	January 5 th	K-1 st
Wednesday	January 6 th	2 nd -3 rd
Thursday	January 7 th	4 th -5 th
Friday	January 8 th	6 th -8 th

If you are performing with someone in a different grade, choose either your day of your partners' day for your practice time. **Time for performing will be at 3:10pm in Room 7 each day after school.** The actual day of the **Talent Show is Friday, January 22nd**. Please mark your calendar so you don't miss out on this great annual event.

SCRIP – Just because the holidays are over don't forget to keep purchasing scrip in order to earn Tuition Credit. We now have **Sephora, John's Incredible Pizza and Panera Bread**. Please download a form online or pick one up in the school office.

St. Anthony's Student Government - During the month of December, the students at school participated in "**Operation Christmas Cards for Our Troops.**" This was sponsored by Assemblyman Mike Villines' office along with our very own Student Government. As a school community we made over 430 Christmas cards that were delivered to the troops from California serving overseas in Iraq. The students were very happy to spread holiday cheer to our men and women in uniform by making Christmas cards to brighten their holidays and to thank them for keeping our country safe.

Tuition Envelopes – In addition to tuition, the AEP envelopes will also be found in today's packet. Please remember that tuition is a 12-month program which runs from June through May.

Direct Deposit/Automatic Debit – We have had many requests for automatic withdrawal from your account to pay tuition (similar to SJM). In this packet you will find the form to set that up if you are interested. The bank we use is Central Valley Community Bank. You have several options to organize the deposit and you can set-up the day(s) you want the funds to come out. We want to offer you the easiest and most convenient way to pay your tuition. What could be easier than not having to worry about paying your tuition each month especially during the summer months when we are all in vacation-mode. Please call the office and talk to **Mrs. Reynolds** and let her know if you are interested in this program or if you have any questions.

Catholic Schools Week T-Shirts- At this time, all of the Catholic School Week shirts have been delivered to the students.

New School Motto - We are in the process of changing our School Motto to a more enhanced and current motto inspired by and reflective of our School Mission. In so doing, we believe that there is no better way than to get the involvement of everyone comprising our school – teachers, staff, student government, students & the entire parental body, to instill a sense of true ownership and pride in our school and its motto. *We will be voting on the motto next week.*

Children's Choir – There will not be practice this Thursday after school for the Children's Choir but they will be singing at this Friday's Mass.

Parking Lot SAFETY! – There can never be too many reminders of how important it is that everyone adheres to the parking lot rules by using the SAFE ZONES properly. Please do not allow your children to cut through the parking stalls on their way to the campus – use the SAFE ZONES that are specifically set for students to cross through the parking lot in a safe manner! Please do not stop in the cross walks to drop students off as this backs up traffic into the street (if dropping of students please use the drop-off zones provided). Children can be unpredictable at times and it is very hard for drivers to see smaller children that are not using the proper crossing areas. Please, please, please STOP at the stop signs that are in the parking lot even if there aren't people crossing. The speed limit in the parking lot is 5 MPH. Please communicate these guidelines to anyone who drives to school or visits the parking lot. This also applies to those attending morning Mass. Let's all work together to have a "safe and stress-free" parking lot!

Always in Christ,



Tim McConnico
Principal

School Office Hours:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
8:00 to 4:00
Wednesday & Friday
8:00 to 3:30
Minimum Days 8:00 to 2:00