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Dear Families,

I hope everyone enjoyed the day off yesterday and had some quality family time. It's always nice to have a little break between all the learning we do at school and also to have some time to catch up on those little (science fair) projects and book reports.

Hot Lunch Order forms – Just a reminder that the MTW monthly lunch forms for Box Lunch and the Thursday/Friday monthly lunch forms are **due tomorrow Wednesday, January 20th**.

Haiti Earthquake Relief- Students are encouraged to donate money for the fourth grade's Haiti Earthquake Relief fund with Catholic Charities. The collection will be from January 19th-21st.

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

CALENDAR REMINDERS

Tuesday, Jan. 19th

Friday, Jan. 22nd

Mon – Fri Jan. 25th-29th

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Thursday, Jan. 28th

Friday, Jan. 29th

Saturday, Jan. 30th

Progress Reports

Talent Show – 12:15 pm

Catholic Schools Week

Final Day to Purchase Yearbook for \$30

Reading Day

Min. Day /OPEN HOUSE 6:00-7:30pm

Kindergarten Reg. Forms due

SJM 8th Grade Placement Exam 8:00am

Dress Rehearsal for the Talent Show- Rehearsals will be held **today, January 19th for grades K-4** and **Wednesday, January 20th for grades 5-8**. The rehearsal begins at 12:45 in the gym. Please have the students bring their costumes, props, and music to school on the day of their rehearsal. The Talent Show committee will send for the students when it is their turn to practice in the gym. If you have any questions, please call **Mrs. Polacek**.

Talent Show – The infamous SAS Talent show will be held this **Friday, January 22nd**. We are pleased to announce that there will be one show performed in the New Community Center. The show will begin at 12:15. Main Event Video will again be videotaping the performance (the order form is in this week's packet).

Catholic School's Week January 25th – January 29th - St. Anthony's School joins nearly 8,200 Catholic Schools nationwide to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. This year our theme is *"Dividends for Life"*. It is a week long celebration to recognize the valuable contributions that Catholic Schools have made to the communities they serve. Catholic School's Week is a time to reaffirm the spiritual value of all of our children in the eyes of God...to recognize parents for their sacrifices on behalf of their children's education... and to acknowledge teachers, and staff in Catholic Schools for their loving dedication and professionalism. Throughout this week, St. Anthony's will conduct a variety of special events and activities in observance of Catholic School's Week. We thank Father Rob and the entire parish for their generous support as we strive to offer an excellent Catholic education in our ministry to our children. Catholic Schools t-shirts and sweatshirts may be worn any day this week.

Friday, Jan. 22nd: Continue Catholic Schools Week "Kick off" with the **SAS Talent Show**. This takes place in the gym from 12:15 to the end of the day.

Monday, Jan. 25th: *Dividends for Life in our Community*. We will start the day with a prayer service in the social hall. Our SAINTS group is asking the student body to bring in any personal or trial size hygiene items to be donated to Catholic Charities for the victims of the Haiti Earthquake. The students will be creating cards for Veterans in the VA hospital. Also, service our school community by reclaiming your lost sweatshirts, other clothing items, and books from the lost and found.

Tuesday, Jan. 26th: *Dividends for Life in our Students*. **Sweatin' with a good book!** This is an all school reading day. Students may attend school in sweat clothes or in uniform.

Wednesday, Jan. 27th: *Dividends for Life in our Nation*. **"Patriotic Pride Day"** -In honor of our Nation and our military troops, students are invited to **wear RED, WHITE, and/or BLUE tops** with their uniform bottoms today. Students will also be encouraged to write a letter to Nick Regini (Kyle Rich's brother) and/or Jose Benetiz (Mr. Lawrence's son-in-law)

Thursday, Jan. 28th: *Dividends for Life in our Vocations*. **"Comfy Cozy Day"**-Students are invited to wear a pair of your favorite crazy or cozy socks if they donated \$1 or more to the 4th grade sponsored drive for

Catholic Charities for the earthquake victims in Haiti). The collection will be from January 19th-21st. Treats will be sent over to the priests and the sisters at the church from our student body.

Friday, Jan. 29th: *Dividends for Life in our Faculty, Staff, and Volunteers.* We will start the closing of Catholic Schools Week with Mass at 8:45 sponsored by 8S. We will gather together to celebrate the gifts we are given through attending and working in Catholic Schools.

More Help Needed - We are also in need of Yard Duty volunteers. If you enjoy watching smiling children on our playground, join us and help supervise our play area from 11:45 am to 12:55 pm. Interested parents, please call **Mrs. Carla Lippert 447-1011**.

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.

More new faces in the SCRIP Program – We are certainly excited about our newest additions to our Scrip "Family" - **The Holy Child** bookstore, **Pismo's and Yosemite Ranch restaurants!** Don't forget the others **Sam's Deli, John's Incredible Pizza, Panera Bread, Walgreen's, Carmel Kids, Patrick James, Uncle Harry's/Betty's Sandwiches and so many more!** If you haven't used the program or only think it's great at Christmas, you'll surprise yourself with the convenience of all the choices of gift cards we carry! We have plenty of stock on a number of different stores and restaurants so please take advantage of this great opportunity! Valentine's Day is just around the corner and gift cards are a "perfect fit" for everyone!

Reminder – In case you missed it in the first letter of the New Year, the new AEP director is Mrs. Brittany Collins and may be reached at 349-6329. Please use that number after office hours to reach the AEP.

PTO Italian Dinner – *Mamma Mia* now that's Italian! Save the date for the famous St. Anthony's Italian Dinner coming up this **Sunday, February 28th**. It will be held from 10:00 am – 8:00 pm. The food is always fantastic and it is also available for takeout. Tickets are \$12.50 for adults and \$5.00 for kids (5-12). Tickets will also be available at the door at the cost of \$15 and \$6. Enjoy a day and night off from cooking and have some great Italian food! If you would like to help or have any questions please contact **Nikki DiCicco (289-4354), Colleen Santefuemia (447-8492) or Judy Santefuemia (226-3570).** *Buon Appetito!*

Football Highlights - The end of the season football awards were held last week for the San Joaquin Memorial Youth Football League and the following SAS students received these awards:

Hunter Swearingen - *Offensive Player of the Year*, **Michael Manhire** - *Offensive Lineman of the Year*, **Grant Lilles** - *Defensive Lineman of the Year*, **Zachary Prins** - *Most Improved Player*, **Matt Woodward** - *Coach's Award*, and **Dalton Garver** - *Offensive Rookie of the Year!* Congratulations to all for their hard work and dedication!

NorthWest Girls Softball- The North West Girls Softball league (Ages 5-16) is beginning sign-ups. Please visit www.nwqsl.com or call Jason Johnson (SAS parent) at 281-3490 for more information. Fliers are available in the main office. If you are *interested in coaching a team* please contact Don Dickenson at 579-3574.

Bullard Cal Ripken- The Bullard Cal Ripken league is beginning. The sign-ups for ages 4-12 will be Saturday, January 23, 2010 & Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Bullard High School cafeteria. Questions? E-Mail: cvac1485@sbcglobal.net, call John Wagon at 647-4852 or visit: www.bullardcalripen.org.

Congratulations- Both the 8th grade girls and boys basketball teams competed in the St. Aloysius basketball tournament in Tulare over the weekend and brought home the championships. This is one of the longest running and largest Catholic school basketball tournaments around. The boys successfully defended their title from last year and the girls won the tournament for the first time since 1993. The Boy's roster is: **Brennen Martinez (MVP), Tyler Jones (All-Tournament), Joseph Moreno (All-Tournament), Willie Cappelluti, Tristan Ferdinandi, Drew Harrison, Ryan Leyba, Douglas Manhire, Kevin O'Rourke, Conner Roznovsky, Conner Shayestah** and the Girl's roster is: **Taylor Hamilton (MVP), Valerie Moore (All-Tournament), Erin Coyle (All-Tournament), Madeline Campbell, Ashley Daher, Marisa Hotz, Ashleigh Huffman, and Madison Sailor.**



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