

Notes from Mrs. Greco
January 4, 2007

Happy New Year! As we move from the Christmas holidays into 2007, all of us here at Immaculate have so much for which to be thankful. We are blessed with such wonderful families who support us; our programs are wide and varied; our planning processes continue to invite and involve many people (we are working on our 3 year Middle States Progress Report) to shape the future for Immaculate; and, the list goes on and on. As Archbishop Oscar Romero once said, "We plant seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development." Our journey continues. On Sunday, January 28th, we will open Catholic Schools Week with a family Mass at 9:30am. Our Open House immediately follows with refreshments, open classrooms and special programs/projects on display. We will have specific information for incoming Kindergarten students and parents so help us to spread the word if you know of families interested in a parish Catholic education. We look forward to seeing you and appreciate your help in our celebration of Catholic Schools Week.

TerraNova, InView results go home today for students in Grades 4 to 8. The results are from our October testing. A letter is enclosed with the results to give you a brief explanation and overview. In the spring, Grades 2 and 3 will be tested. As a school, we give the test at every grade level except Kindergarten and First, not just the diocesan required 2, 4, and 6 because it gives us a clearer picture of individual student progress and growth. Being tested each year also provides more practice for your child in taking a standardized test. With No Child Left Behind legislation, it appears as though high stakes testing will remain as part of their academic life in the years to come.

Reminder: Sports photos for the yearbook will be taken on Wednesday, January 10th. Everyone should wear his/her gym uniform. If a team has a uniform available, please bring it. Do not worry if the sport is not in season. We will take care of it by inserting a symbol, etc. to identify the sport!

Today's Communication:

InView and TerraNova results for students in grades 4 to 8.

