

January 10, 2008

Home reports for InView and TerraNova for grades 4-8 are included today. The Home Report is "parent friendly" and will provide you with information about your child's achievement. The narrative explains the graphical information. If you have any questions concerning the interpretation of your child's report, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself.

BLOCS financial aid applications are now available. All applications must be postmarked by Friday, March 14th. All financial aid that is received either through BLOCS or through our parish is accessed through this application. The parish does not award financial aid without a BLOCS application. Please do not neglect to fill out an application if you anticipate needing some assistance next year.

The Home & School Association is seeking parent volunteers to continue our Book Club for 3rd and 4th grade students. Guidance is provided and the format (meeting times, etc.) can be set up according to the volunteers' schedule (once a month, twice a month, etc.). Our Chess Club is also in need of a moderator. Chess Club is seasonal and meets for a limited period of time. If you are interested and can help or have any questions, please call Debbie Eberle at 215-572-9750.

We would like to hold a Catholic Schools Week "clean-up" and would appreciate any time you have to spare Sunday afternoon, January 20th. Mrs. Harp, along with Home & School Executive Committee, will coordinate the tasks. The more hands we have, the more efficient we can be.

Please check the website for music updates. Ms. D would like to borrow keyboards for classes until February and information on the beginning of Choral is included in her note.

Thank you to Mrs. McCullough for coordinating our Catholic Book Sale for students this Friday and for the parish on Sunday. Please check the flyer, previously sent home, for more details.

Yearbook Order Forms are here. Each year our 8th grade student yearbook team learns from past issues and always seems to improve the "product." We preorder to save on printing costs which in turn enables us to keep the price lower for purchase. All orders must be received by February 22nd.

CDs for both Carol Night and the Christmas Concert are available for \$20 each for each performance. Friday, January 11th, is the cutoff day for ordering. Order forms are available from the office. Please specify on the order form which CD (or both) you wish to purchase.

Reminders:

- Tag Day on Friday, January 11th, is Pajama Day.

- Our next Home & School general meeting will be on Internet Safety with Nancy Caramanico, technology coordinator for the Office of Catholic Education. Save the date and time: January 16th at 7:00pm.
- Our Annual Open House takes place on Sunday, January 27th, after the 9:30am Mass. Please plan on joining us and extend an invitation to those you know have expressed an interest in our parish school.
- Our Home & School sponsored Catholic Schools Week Father-Daughter Dance is scheduled for Friday Evening, February 1st. Please check flyer for more information.
- Please return your Annual Fund pledges. Our goal to meet our budget needs is \$50,000. Thank you.
- Don't forget to send in your Box Tops for Education, Campbell's soup labels and Acme receipts!