



Dear Parents,

As we enter these last days of Advent and school before the Christmas holiday, I would like to take this time to send a very sincere thank you to the many families who remembered our school and staff during this season with gifts, delicious treats, and even lunch! How blessed we are to have families that support our school in so many ways. Thank you so much for your consideration and support.

It hardly seems possible, but Carnival time is here!! Our PTO will be announcing the special raffle prizes on Friday afternoon at a school Pep Rally and raffle tickets will be going home so students will have the opportunity to sell to friends and relatives that they may see over the holidays! The John Paul II School Carnival will be held on Sunday, January 31, the first day of Catholic Schools Week. There will be student raffle ticket prize winners announced weekly before the carnival beginning on Friday, January 8. The funds raised from the Carnival and Raffle will help fund a convection oven in our school lunch room as well as helping with the funding so our staff may attend the National Catholic Education Association convention from April 5-8 in Minneapolis.

Please remember our December FUNdraiser at Papa Murphy's on Friday, December 18 ALL DAY LONG! Papa Murphy SCRIP is available at the school.

Schedule for December 18-23

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| Friday, December 18 | School Mass, 3Y and 5H plan liturgy; 2C and Preschool II will perform Christmas Alphabet
Papa Murphy's FUNdraiser, <u>All Day</u>
Christmas school lunch dinner
Ice Cream Day
Pep Rally for PTO Carnival Raffle, 2:30pm in the gym –
Carnival raffle tickets will be going home. |
| Monday, December 21 | Happy Birthday Jesus Celebration, AM – Pre II and Ms. Finkenbiner's Kindergarten class; PM – Pre III and Mrs. Morgan's Kindergarten Class |
| Tuesday, December 22 | End of Second Quarter – REPORT CARDS GO HOME
– Please check book bags!
Christmas Parties, PM in each classroom
Christmas break begins with school dismissal |

School will resume on Monday, January 4. God's blessings and our thanks to you for all you do for the school. We are so blessed to have you and your children in our school. Have a very blessed and Merry Christmas.

God Bless Always,

Michelle Ommen, Principal