

January 2012

Be the Best Version of Yourself



Saint Charles Borromeo School

Happy and peaceful new year to all! Hopefully everyone has as a new year's resolution to continue to work become the best version of themselves. The students and teachers at Saint Charles are recognizing and applauding efforts by each other to become their best – from using manners on a consistent basis to honesty about accidentally receiving two homework passes instead of one to yet another wonderful Saint Charles student donating her hair to Locks of Love (thanks, Meara Kwiatkowski).

It is that time already to plan for next school year. Re-registration materials will come home on Friday, January 6. The form has been revised in order for us to be sure our records are up-to-date. Be careful to complete it correctly and return it on time (January 20). There is a \$25 registration fee per child (with a maximum of \$75 per family) that must accompany re-registration. All tuition for the 2011-2012 school year must be current in order to re-register. We will begin to review applications for new students beginning January 23. If you do not return your re-registration by the deadline, your child/ren may lose a place in a classroom. A few grade levels are close to capacity. We appreciate your cooperation with the deadline.

As you review the January calendar, you will see the regular schedule of club and organizational meetings. Our school is a vibrant one! Our new clubs this year – Lego Club for grades one and two (about 50 members) and Scrabble Club for grades three and four (about 30 members) are off to wonderful beginnings. Please note some one-time January events. Thanks to the talents of our students and the dedication of Mrs. Schaeffer, we will once again have entries in the Padua Art Show. Stop by our Open House on the 15th and then visit Padua at 1:00 PM for the Art Show and awards ceremony. Seminarian Matt Byrne has organized First Friday talks each month for the parish. The January topic is "Prayer: It's All in the Family". All are invited and encouraged to attend. This year there are two instrumental bands at Saint Charles. Our advanced band had an enjoyable Christmas concert right here in the Saint Charles gym. The beginning band will present its first ever concert at Saint Albert the Great on January 18 at 7:00 PM.

The end of the second quarter is January 13. There are no classes that day due to a teacher in-service. Report cards will be sent home on January 20. Teachers are glad to confer with any parents during the week of January 23.

Thank you to PTU, once again, for hosting terrific events. The preschool-kindergarten evening with Santa was great fun for all. The PTU helped St. Nick deliver some decoder pens on December 6. The teachers are extremely grateful for the PTU lunch each month (not packing a lunch for that one day a month is such a treat and the food is delicious). The annual Family Fun Night will be on Saturday, January 21. PTU provides refreshments during Open House. If you can ever spare an hour or two to help out, it would be so appreciated. Market Day could always use a few extra helping hands for an hour or so each month.

Check out our winter sports. For schedules, visit www.stcharlessports.org. Go Wildcats!

Peace and Joy ~

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