



Campus Connection

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This Coming Week

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December 22 - Early Dismissal (SMC: 11:20, SJC: 11:25, SWC: 11:40) - Christmas break starts - through Jan. 3, 2017

January 4 - Classes Resume, No Campus Connection this week

January 6 - SJC: Mass at 8:35 a.m., SMC: Mass at 8:40 a.m.

January 9 - MAPS testing begins-Jan. 27, Scrip Order, H&S meeting at SJC 9:0 a.m., Athletic board meets at SJ 6:30 p.m.

January 11 - Non-uniform day

Link to: [Website](#) [Handbook](#) [Athletic Page](#) [Order SCRIP](#)

Kovaleski's "Key" Notes

A Christmas Lesson

"Is there a purpose? Why are we here?"

A little boy asked as the yuletide drew near.

"I really do hope that someday I will know

The reason we stand out here in the snow,

[Ringing this bell](#) as people walk by

While snowflakes descend from out of the sky."

The mother just smiled at her shivering son

Who would rather be playing and having some fun,

But soon would discover before evening was done

The meaning of Christmas, the very first one.
The young boy exclaimed, "Mother, where do they go,
All the pennies we collect every year in the snow?
Why do we do it? Why do we care?
We work for these pennies, so why should we share?"
"Because once a small baby, so meek and so mild
Was born in a manger," She said to the child.
"The Son of a King was born in this way,
To give us the message He carried that day."

"You mean Baby Jesus?
Is He why we're here,
Ringing this bell at Christmas time every year?"
"Yes," said the mother. "That is why you should know
About the very first Christmas a long time ago."
"The present God gave to the world on that night
Was the gift of His Son to make everything right.
Why did He do it? Why did He care?
To teach about loving and how we should share."
"The meaning of Christmas, you see, my dear son,
Is not about presents and just having fun.
But the gift of a Father—His own precious Son—
So the world would be saved when His work was all done."
Now the little boy smiled with a tear in his eye,
As snowflakes kept falling from out of the sky—
Rang louder the bell as the people walked by
While down deep in his heart at last he knew why.
--Tom Krause, © 2003

May the blessings of Christmas – PEACE, HOPE, JOY, LOVE – be yours; and may the coming year be filled with happiness!!

Lisa Kovaleski, Principal



Weekly News

Read to Succeed

Attention students in K5-6th grade: Don't forget to read over Christmas break and fill out your "Read to Succeed" reading logs. Reading logs were sent home in your packet on November 30th. If you read 6 hours and turn in your reading log to your teacher, you will receive a ticket for Six Flags Great America. If you have questions, please contact the Read to Succeed coordinator, Sheila Mroz, at smroz1973@gmail.com or 414-659-8651.

Invitation to Girl, Boy, and Cub Scouts

All Girl/Boy/Cub Scouts and their families are invited to attend our Pray the Rosary Night in the St. Mary's Chapel on Thursday, January 12th from 6:30-8:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Steve and Jenny Kocovsky at kocofam@wi.rr.com.

SAVE THE DATE! COME AND DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY!

Mark your calendars and plan to attend THE FROSTY STOMP school dance! This family fun event will be Friday, January 20th from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at St. William's Gymnasium and is open to all K3 thru 5th grade students.

Admission is \$5.00 per family and funds raised go to help Home and School provide events throughout the school year. We are asking for food and beverage donations. (A-L should bring a beverage / M-Z should bring a large bagged snack) [Please see the attached flyer for more details.](#)

We are looking for volunteers to help at the admissions table, sell glow sticks and help with concessions, set up and clean up. Sign up is easy, just click on the Sign Up Genius link below. [Please see the FAQ sheet for more details.](#) All adult volunteers must have completed the Safeguard training.

tinyurl.com/frostystomp

Scholarship Opportunity

The Seton Volleyball Tournament benefits The Waukesha County Catholic Elementary Schools Tuition Assistance Fund, which is used to make Catholic school education a real possibility for those students who may not otherwise be able to afford full tuition. All families whose children attend a Catholic school in Waukesha County are eligible to apply. A limited number of \$1,000 grants will be awarded. Your school does not have to be in the tournament to apply. [Go to this link for a copy of the application.](#) All applications must be received by February 1, 2017. Notifications will be made in March.

Catholic Schools Week

Please consider volunteering your time to represent Waukesha Catholic at the kick off for Catholic Schools Week after all Masses the weekend of January 28th & 29th. We are looking for as many as five volunteers for each Mass at each of the four parishes to help set up baked goods during Mass, serve the baked goods, and then help with clean up following each mass.

This is a service hour opportunity for all middle school students. Please note one parent must be present with the middle school student.

Please review the attached Sign Up Genius:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e49aea82caafd0-catholic2>.

If you have any questions, please contact Tina Szada at (262) 527-7091, or via email at tina@servpro9841.com. Thank you in advance!

AUCTION



Remember Our Auction!

No contribution is too large or small and the Christmas break may provide opportunities to gather gifts for our upcoming auction. We will need a variety of items to bid on for the silent and live auctions and would appreciate any help that you can provide. Donation ideas include tickets for sporting events, plays, concerts, or airline travel; gift cards for restaurants, stores, gas, spa services etc.; vacation opportunities, sports memorabilia, themed gift baskets and more! Do you have a special talent to share, such as cooking, music or childcare? Perhaps you know someone who can provide a unique item? From business owners and employers to family members, neighbors and friends, tap into your connections to secure a great item for our school's largest fundraiser. We are grateful for all donations. You can drop them off at any campus office or call 262-896-2929 ext. 1325 with questions or details. Donation forms can be downloaded from our website auction page, THANK YOU!!

Parish & Community

St. Joseph Parish

- St. Joseph is holding a Rosary Walk for Life on Sunday, January 22, 2017. [Go to this link to see the flyer.](#)
- Beginning on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 there will be a Mass in Spanish at St. Joseph's at 6:00 p.m. every Wednesday. There will not be an 8:00 a.m. Mass in English at St. Joseph's. Wednesday Masses in English are offered at St. Mary Parish at 8:00 a.m. and St. John Neumann Parish at 8:30 a.m.

NAMI-Waukesha

Please [see this attached flyer](#) for upcoming classes that family members are welcome to attend.

Campus News

**St. Joseph Campus
December 21, 2016**

Included in This Week's Packet

St. Joseph January Calendar
MAP Testing Letter

Christmas Prayer Service and First Trimester Awards Assembly – Tomorrow

Thursday, December 22



St. Joseph Campus families are invited to join us for a Christmas prayer service and our first trimester awards assembly, beginning at **9:00 a.m.** in the church. During the prayer service, we will reflect on the Advent themes of peace, hope, joy and love. During the awards assembly, which will begin at approximately **9:30 a.m.**, we will honor our students for their numerous accomplishments during the first trimester.

Ski Forms Available

Forms for the next ski trip scheduled for Friday, January 13, 2017 are now available online. **Forms and fees for this trip are due in the school office at noon on Friday, January 6, 2017!**



If you would like to roll over your payment from the cancelled December 16th trip please send in January 13th forms and indicate you would like to use your December payment.

Ski forms are available online at WaukeshaCatholic.org, click **About Us**, then scroll to extracurricular, and click the appropriate link for ski forms!

Attention 8th Grade Students and Parents! Beauty & the Beast Audition Info

Auditions and callbacks will be held at St. William Campus in the Gym. (Parents, please note the time and date changes since our parent meeting.) Audition dates and times are as follows, Tuesday, January 3rd from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday, January 4th from 3:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Those auditioning will audition by themselves with the director and vocal director. Please prepare 45 seconds of a song that you will sing acapella. Parents, please note that the children will audition and then may go home once they are finished. Students, we ask that you write your name on the sign-up sheets at school so that we know what night to expect you.



Callbacks will be on Thursday, January 5th from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., all actors who are called should plan on staying the whole time. Please dress in comfortable clothing and shoes that you can move in. Please bring snacks and water for refreshment. For those who are not familiar with this show, the following link provides a clear breakdown of characters and gives a bit of a preview of the score and script. Have fun with it!
http://www.mtishows.com/broadway-junior/audition-central?show_id=1401

I am excited about getting to know all of you and hope that you are as eager as I am to start this amazing journey. This is a wonderful show and we get to bring it to life, together. From Beast & Belle...all the way to Crew, please share your talents and help make *Beauty & the Beast, Jr.* a show that the Class of 2017 can include in their fond memories of Waukesha Catholic. If any of you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at: yoursindrama@gmail.com.

Merry Christmas and many blessings to you and yours in 2017!

Peace, Mrs. Meghan D. Gorzalski

Sports Club will return in the Spring!!!!

St. Mary Campus

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Santa's Workshop

A very special "thank you" to Cindy Maigatter for keeping Santa's Workshop up and running this year. The excitement that came down the halls as students made their purchases is priceless. Also, we'd like to thank the many elves who helped the students complete their shopping experience. We couldn't have done it without you, and we thank you!!

Attention Parents – A Request from MS. KOVALESKI

Please remember that if you are dropping off or picking up your child by car before or after school you ARE to use the carline that forms in the back parking lot. We have noticed that many children are being dropped off in the morning and picked up after school on Newhall Avenue which is creating heavy congestion in a very limited space. IT HAS BECOME A SERIOUS SAFETY CONCERN, ESPECIALLY WITH THESE WINTER CONDITIONS, AND IS PUTTING OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF AT RISK.

I do recognize that it may be more convenient to pull in front of school, however, I am sure you would agree that the safety and well-being of our students/staff is far more important. I am truly concerned that if we do not enforce this policy, someone will get hurt.

I am asking you to please honor my request that parents do not drop off/ pick-up on Newhall Avenue anywhere between the driveway into the staff parking lot and Hartwell Avenue. Should we continue to see people not following these procedures we will address them with individual families. I hope, however, that won't be necessary. I know we all want what is best for the children and that NOBODY wants to put our students in harm's way.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter!

St. Joseph Campus 5th Grade Parent Night & Dinner - Thursday, January 26

St. Joseph Campus will hold its annual 5th grade parent night and dinner from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 26, 2017. This will be an excellent opportunity for parents and students to see St. Joseph Campus, meet the 6th grade teachers, and enjoy a meal together. More information will be provided after the holidays.

Looking Ahead

Thursday, Dec. 22nd: Early dismissal, 11:20am – Christmas vacation begins
Monday, Jan. 2nd: No school
Tuesday, Jan. 3rd: No school
Wednesday, Jan. 4th: Welcome Back to School!
Friday, Jan. 6th: School liturgy, 8:40am, 2-1
Monday, Jan. 9th: Home & School meeting at SWC, 9:00am
Athletic Board Meeting at SJC, 6:30pm
Wednesday, Jan. 11th: Non-uniform day

Included in Today's Packet

January calendar
MAPs letter



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Santa's Workshop

Thank you to our very own St. William Campus elves: Nick Bailey, Mary Butler, Kathy Gannon, Darcie Lammers, Rya Massek, Stacey Pigeon, and Joanna Staszecka for helping our students pick “just the perfect gift” for their family and friends. A huge thank you to Cindy Maigatter for organizing the event, and to the Cortez family for helping set up.

Progress Report Envelopes

If you have not already done so, please sign and return the progress report envelopes to school. These will be used for the report cards in March and June. Thank you.

Looking Ahead

Dec. 22nd – Christmas Break begins after 11:40 dismissal
January 4th – Students return to school

Included In This Packet

January Calendar
Christmas Concert DVD (if one was ordered)

