

### Home and School Meeting 12/4/23

In attendance: Angie Eisenacher, Sara Miller (Teacher Rep), Laura Keffer, Amy Barker, Sarah Patterson, Kardy Castellanos, Angie Herrera, Virginia Ruef, Angela Kurtz, Adria Hall, Nikisha Wright, Kayla Codispoti, Emily Matheny, In Zoom: Christy Tschantz, Brent Showalter, Avilia

- Teacher Update: Sara Miller
  - Mrs. Pohlman passes on her thanks for the home and school funds for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Stratford Ecological Center. They will be going again in February and April.
  - Discussion of another possible author visit that was suggested by Elaine Schuttinger.
- Principal Update:
  - Blessing Bags
    - An email was sent out to families about upcoming Advent Service Project and what each grade is supposed to donate.
    - Collected from **now until December 15<sup>th</sup>**. Bring in as many items as you can and the hope is to create a blessing bag to be sent home with each student to pass out to someone in need while out and about.
  - St. Nicholas Day
    - **Wednesday 12/6**. Mr. Racanelli will come and visit.
    - The students will be partnered with their buddy class to listen to a story and their shoes will be left in the hall to be filled.
  - Coffee with the principal
    - will take place on **Friday 12/15** after morning announcements.
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade recorded the Divine Mercy Chaplet
    - Will be on St. Gabriel Radio
    - **January 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>** at 3pm.
  - Students and Teachers will be using Catholic App called Hallow.
    - Permission slips for students to use this app were emailed out and need to be returned ASAP.
  - **Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** is Immaculate Conception
    - This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Join us for 9am mass!
  - **December 13<sup>th</sup>** is the K-4 Christmas Program.
    - Performances will be at 9:30 and 1pm for K-4 and there will be a 7pm performance for grade 2-4 only.

- **December 19<sup>th</sup>**- Secret Santa Shop.
    - Envelope will be sent home for parents to budget how much their child can spend on each person.
    - Still need some volunteers to help with this event.
  - **December 20<sup>th</sup>**- Last day before Christmas break.
    - All students can wear green.
    - They will be having hot chocolate and watching the grinch at 9:15 as a school in the cafeteria.
    - **School is out at 1pm. There will be no aftercare.**
  - **January 3<sup>rd</sup>**- School Resumes.
- Financial Update:
    - \$19,700 in Teacher Request have been approved. We have paid out 9k so far.
    - Will be balancing the budget in January.
  - Upcoming Dates/ Home & School Updates
    - **THIS SATURDAY 12/9:** Breakfast with Santa.
      - Spread the word and we are in need of baked goods. Please pre assemble bags with 3 items in each and drop off Friday after school or Saturday morning. Thank you to Lisa and Chocolate Café for donating some items for this!
    - Author Visit: Jonathan Rand is booked for April 9<sup>th</sup>. Will visit with Pre-K at 12:15 and then there will be an hour visit with rest of the school. Home and School will purchase a book for each student. A google doc will be sent to teachers in January, for each child to choose their book.
    - Eclipse- April 8<sup>th</sup>. The possibility of moving teacher PD to this day. If we are in school, Home & School is looking into ordering glasses for this for each student.
    - Legacy- May 4<sup>th</sup> at OLV. Kentucky Derby Theme. Laura Keffer and Adria Hall will be co-chairing this. Smaller committees will be formed after the new year and begin meeting. Money raised from the 2023 legacy went to support the Music Department at Trinity and purchased a new sound and lighting system.
    - Spring Flower Sale- No date set. Christy will chair this and possibly the help of Virginia Ruef?
    - Discussion of possible Spring Social. To have or not to have? Possibility of father/daughter and mother/son dance? Possibility of Grandview Pool on last day of school? No plans yet.

