

Dear Parents,

Today your children will be bringing home their mid-quarter reports. Mid-quarter reports are a way for you to check and see how your child is doing in school. It is an opportunity to help your child improve grades if needed or to praise your child for a job well done. If you have any questions or concerns, please be sure to contact your child's teacher. Our staff here is interested in your child's success and will work with you and your child to help reach his or her potential.

Thank you for my wonderful Christmas gifts. I appreciate your thinking of me this Christmas. I consider it a gift to be able to work with you and your children. Have a safe and happy holiday.

Merry Christmas!

Elizabeth Watson

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"Let us pick up, at the end of these reflections, an exhortation of Chromatius which is still perfectly valid today: "Let us pray to the Lord with all our heart and all our faith," the Bishop of Aquileia, recommended in one of his Sermons. "Let us pray that he may liberate us from every incursion by enemies, from every fear of adversaries. He does not look at our merits - he who in the past deigned to liberate the children of Israel not because of their merits but by his mercy. May he protect us with his usual merciful love, and work for us what the holy Moses told the children of Israel: 'The Lord will fight in your defense, and you will remain silent. It is him who fights, it is him who gains victory'...And so that he may deign to do this, we must pray as much as we can. He himself tells us through the prophet's mouth: I will liberate you, and you will give me glory." (Sermo XVI,4: Scrittori dell'area santambrosiana 3/1, pp. 100-102).

"Thus, at the start of Advent, St. Chromatius reminds us that Advent is a time of prayer, in which we must enter into contact with God. God knows us, he knows me, he knows each of us, he wishes me well, he will not abandon me. Let us move forward with such confidence in God during this liturgical period that has just begun."

Pope Benedict XVI, General Audience Address on St. Chromatius of Aquileia, 5 December 2007

Government in School Too



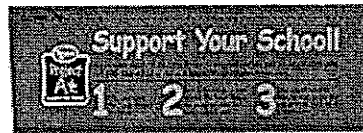
The Student Government EXPLORE Group created envelopes for each homeroom for students to be able to write questions for the student government to address. Since then, we have been busy responding to the questions and comments that we have received. Our most asked request is to have casual Fridays back. We have responded that Mrs. Watson is not going to change back to having casual Fridays, however, our EXPLORE group is working to come up with ways to have more dress-down days, for example, we might be able to wear jeans if we collect something for the needy. This week we are meeting with Mrs. Dercks from the cafeteria to present the ideas submitted by students for the cafeteria.

Respectfully submitted,

The Student Government EXPLORE Group

Raising Money with Tyson

We are pleased to inform you that we have just started collecting Tyson food labels. This is another way you can help the school to raise money without spending a lot of time or money. Simply collect the Tyson label from participating Tyson food products and bring them to school. See the picture below for an example of what to collect.



Correct Label



Incorrect Logo

SKI CLUB SUBS WANTED

Any 6th through 8th Graders interested in being a sub for Ski Club can sign up in the office. Any skiers that are unable to attend a trip can check that list and make arrangements with a sub to take their place.

Reminder To: Ski Club Participants

Our first two trips are fast approaching. The bus will leave from Holy Cross parking lot.

Thursday, December 27, 2007

Bus leaves Holy Cross at 9:00 a.m.

Ski from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Bus returns to Holy Cross at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Friday, January 4, 2008

Bus leaves Holy Cross at 3:30 p.m.

Ski from 4:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Bus returns to Holy Cross at approximately 10:00 p.m.

◆ ◆ PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ◆ ◆

The following are open dates and the number of people needed for playground duty in January 2008:

Wednesday, January 16 (1)

Friday, January 18 (1)

Monday, January 21 (1)

Wednesday, January 23 (2)

Thursday, January 24 (2)

Wednesday, January 30 (1)

Thursday, January 31 (2)

Please call Sue in the school office if you can help out.



Hot Lunch Serving for JANUARY 3-4, 2008

Service is 11:20 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Please sign in at the office and obtain a visitor badge. If you cannot make your scheduled day, please call a sub. Thank you for your help.

THURSDAY: Brenda Boyle
Jeanne McDaniel
Mary Vander Wyst
Dorothy Vande Wetering

FRIDAY: Helen Brick
Amy Schmidt
Dorothy Vande Wetering
Paula Vosters



Lunch Playground Duty for JANUARY 3-4, 2008

Service is 11:50 a.m. - 12:50 p.m. Please sign in at the office and get your visitor badge. If you cannot make your scheduled day, please call a sub. Thanks for helping us out.

Thursday: Bridget Van Zeeland
Lynn Voet

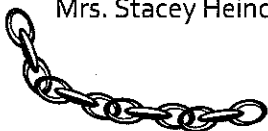
Friday: Brenda Boyle
Anne Krautkramer

The Caring Tree



As a school, we have been addressing character education and the topic for December was caring. In guidance we have talked about what caring means and different ways that we show we care. A caring tree is displayed in the front entrance at Holy Cross Campus where every student has either made an ornament, a chain link, or worked in a group decorating a present. On each item, students wrote something they care about or how they show they care. Please feel free to stop and look for what your child had to say.

Mrs. Stacey Heindel – Guidance Counselor



To All of our KCSS Families & Students

Have a Blessed Christmas



Merry Christmas from the Holy Cross band students! This month we performed two community recitals. On December 6 we performed at the Bank of Kaukauna and on December 17 we performed at St. Paul Elder Services. The students had fun putting together Christmas duets and trios! Thanks to all who participated!

Ms. Michelle DeGroot

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

DECEMBER 2007

- 20** Grades 3, 4, & 5 Christmas Program at Holy Cross - 7:00 p.m.
- 21** Red & Green Day (Jeans allowed)

JANUARY 2008

- 10** Hanson's Pizza & Gift Sale Begins
- 17** Market Day Pickup
- 19** BRAVO 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- 20** BRAVO 2:00 p.m.
- 31** Catholic Schools Week KCSS All System Mass at Holy Cross - 8:30 a.m.

