

Parents:

--We understand that this time of year, Christmas through Catholic Schools Week, can be a bit hectic and frenzied. We also understand that it can seem as though a lot is being asked of you. Please know that we never expect every family to participate in every fundraiser. We know that some are easier for families than others, and that it varies by family. Also, the donated items for CSW for Father Ralph's school are completely optional. It is an extra touch that the committee wanted to include this year to celebrate the Holy Name of Mary School as we celebrate our school. We do ask that you please contribute food items to the Explore Catholic Schools Day, as that is in lieu of the pot luck in which we have all typically provided dishes. These trail mix donations are due at school by Friday, January 27. In the upcoming newsletter, Mrs. Tice is planning to layout the remainder of fundraising opportunities throughout the year so that you can have a better idea of what is in store.

--For those of you who are still planning on sending a donation in to the Citizens Concerned for Human Life collection, you are welcome to send in 100 pennies, but you are certainly able to send your donation in as a dollar bill.

--Our magazine sale ends tomorrow, and a representative from the company will be onsite to collect the orders and distribute prizes. If you have not already done so, please send all magazine orders to school tomorrow. Thank you to everyone for their participation.

--Tuition Contracts for the 2012-2013 school year are coming home with students throughout this week. You may already have received yours, but if not, you will have by the end of the week. These signed contracts are due back at school by February 15, 2012. All contracts returned by the due date will be entered into a prize drawing, with two lucky winners receiving either a \$50 Gamble Mill gift certificate or a \$25 Red Horse Tavern gift certificate. Thank you to the Sherman family for the Red Horse gift certificate.

--Reminder that Pre-K and Kindergarten enrollment forms will be available beginning on Monday, January 30. If you have a child eligible for either of those programs, please be sure to come into the office on or after that date to obtain and/or complete registration packets. Registration packets will not automatically be sent home with siblings or with Pre-K students that will be entering Kindergarten next year. Completed packets must be returned to the school office and not sent in with children or given to teachers.

Thank you.