



**Holy Name School**

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Dear Parents,

**Thank you to all who attended our Christmas Performances; this year's performances were extraordinary.** Again we give special thanks to Mrs. Boardman and all the faculty and staff for preparing the students for their special songs and pageant, to Ms. Grace for the work she did with our instrumental classes. Also, special thanks go to Ms. Juszkiwicz and so many parents who worked behind the scenes helping the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students at practices as well as during the actual performances and for letting the classes know Wednesday evening when it was time for them to line up to perform; their timing was perfect.

**This afternoon the members of the "Leaders in Training" program brought a U-Haul filled with all the donations given by the Holy Name School and Parish families to the Gifts to Give center.** We hope to have pictures on our facebook page. The amount of items donated was enormous; many will benefit from the generosity shown.

**Thank you to those who placed orders for Gift Cards.** Mrs. Chippendale will be placing at least one order this week; there is still time to order gift cards for Christmas gifts if desired. Please let Mrs. Chippendale or Mrs. Orlando-Medeiros ([gco731@comcast.net](mailto:gco731@comcast.net).) know by noon tomorrow – Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Friday is Polar Express!! It is a school wide special tradition that is loved by all.** The students will begin their Polar Express experience at 8:45 a.m. when our "Polar Express Conductor" Mrs. Goncalo collects her passengers and sends them to the auditorium.

**Please remember that all students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. on Friday. There WILL BE lunch AND extended care on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> for students WHO ARE SIGNED UP FOR IT.**

**Some nice news to share** – this year is the third year that Mrs. Lefevre has worked with the Lloyd Center to offer her class a special program entitled "Feathery Focus". **This year Mrs. Lefevre submitted an application to the 2017 Target Field Trip Grant to cover the costs of the end of the year trip to the Lloyd Center for the Environment; she received notification that her application was selected as one of the recipients.** This Feathery Focus Field Study is a hands-on ecology field experience designed to review and reinforce the scientific concepts covered in the monthly in-class lessons. Congratulations to Mrs. Lefevre and her third grade class.

**A January Calendar is enclosed.**

**There is a PTO meeting on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.**

**The school office will be closed from 5 p.m. on December 23<sup>rd</sup> until 6:45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.** The telephone answer machine will be checked regularly and calls returned in a timely fashion.

**Holy Name School is having an Open House on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** All are welcome. We will be accepting registrations at that time. If you would like one of our new brochures to share with interested family members or friends, please let us know. We have copies in the office, and there will be copies on our website and facebook page.

**The faculty and staff join Father Jay and me in wishing all of you and your families a blessed Christmas and New Year.**

With gratitude for all you do,

Patricia M. Wardell, Ed. D.

Principal

Holy Name School provides a Catholic education within an atmosphere of academic excellence. While providing Catholic values, students are challenged to do their best, to nurture their gifts and talents, and to develop curiosity, creativity, and critical thinking.

Holy Name School strives to produce confident, competent, and caring individuals who can work cooperatively, show respect for one another, and who demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of Catholic values.

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