

January 3, 2007

Dear Parents,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! I hope everyone had a blessed Christmas Season. Every year when I celebrate the birth of Christ I feel as if God is giving me a new chance to start over, a new beginning. This year I came back to school refreshed and excited about the new year. Deep in my heart I feel blessed to have been given this opportunity to touch the lives of your children. Your children bring so much joy into my life.

Mrs. McMullin and I would like to thank everyone for their generous gifts this Christmas Season. Each and every gift is very special to us. Thank you!

Catholic Schools Week is celebrated from January 28th to February 2nd. We have many wonderful things planned for the week. News of these events will be coming home shortly. An important event that week is Information Night on January 29th. This is a time for our school to shine. It is a great opportunity for parents who are considering sending their children to our school to see the wonderful things that are offered here. You can help us out by inviting friends, neighbors, and relatives to Information Night. We need to get the word out about the wonderful things STS has to offer.

Once again your generosity amazes me. This year we have collected \$3,000 for the Four Diamonds Fund!! Mrs. Zimmerman and I would like to thank everyone for their kindness.

Although the temperatures have been in the 50 and 60 degree range winter weather will eventually be arriving. Please remember that we follow the **West Shore School District** in the event of delays or closings. Immediately after I receive the call from the WSSD, I contact *WHP Channel 21, WGAL, WHTM, FOX 43*, various radio stations and the *Patriot News Inside Line* so that you are alerted as quickly as possible.

If WSSD calls for an early dismissal due to inclement weather please remember that their buses will arrive at STS approximately 30 minutes before that time. Those bus students will be dismissed when their bus arrives. If there is a day when STS is in session but the WSSD is not there is a possibility that your child/ren will arrive home earlier than usual.

Please note that school will be in session on February 21st.

Important January dates:

Jan. 5 th	School Christmas Liturgy	8:45
Jan. 15 th	Martin Luther King Day	School Closed
Jan. 16 th -18 th	Midterms	Grades 6 th -8 th (Please do not schedule appts. during this time)
Jan. 23 rd	Parents Eucharist meeting	7 PM Little Flower Social Hall
Jan. 27 th	First Penance	10 AM Church
Jan. 28 th	Opening CSW Liturgy	10:30 AM Church
Jan. 28 th -Feb.2 nd	Catholic Schools Week	
Jan. 29 th	Information Night	6:30 School
Jan 31 st	Report Cards distributed	

I wish you a happy, healthy, and holy new year!
God bless you and your families,

Margaret M. Barrett