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## --TUESDAY , JANUARY 29, 2008 MEMO--

### **TARGET DATES:**

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - MONDAY, JANUARY 28 – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

Wednesday, January 30	Grandparents Day starting @ 10:30 in Gym
Thursday, January 31	Free Dress for January Birthdays or Earned Pass
Saturday, February 2	St. John's School Crab Feed in Gym @ 6 PM
Monday February 4	Spell-a-thon begins
Tuesday, February 5	PTG Meeting
Wednesday, February 6	12 Noon Dismissal, Free Dress, Ash Wednesday Liturgy
Thursday, February 7	1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation Meeting @ 7 – 8:30 PM
Monday, February 11	Spell-a-thon Testing begins

### **Applications for Tuition Assistance**

Applications for all diocesan and school tuition assistance are now in the office. Please pick up an application packet and **return** it to the office by **March 17, 2008** to allow us ample time to meet the application deadline of April 18<sup>th</sup>. All Tax documentation and wage information must be included with your application when turned into the office to ensure that everything is received by the deadlines. Please apply for all tuition assistance that is available: FACE, PACE (Schools), Guardsmen and Basic Fund (Application available on line @ [www.basicfund.org](http://www.basicfund.org)). If you don't qualify for one, you might qualify for another. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the office.

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE**

Catholic Schools Week is an occasion to celebrate one another and to support and promote Catholic School education. We are proud of our heritage and of our contribution to education across the country. We welcome our many grandparents on Wednesday, January 31st and everyone to our other activities during the week.

**Monday, January 28th – Pajama Day. Students not wearing pajamas must come in full school uniform.**

**Tuesday, January 29th – Dress as a school group day. You may dress as an athlete, a cheerleader, a brain, etc. Be creative but appropriate. If you choose not to participate, you must wear full school uniform**

**Wednesday, January 30th – Grandparent's day (Full School Uniform)**

**Thursday, January 31 – Spirit Rally @ 1:30, Jersey Day. Students may wear the sports Jersey of any favorite team (Professional, college, etc. This may include a St. Johns sports uniform. If you choose not to participate, you must come in full school uniform**

**Friday, February 1 - Family Day @ 1:15 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are to bring drinks to share with their families. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students are to bring snack to share with their families, Crazy Hair or Crazy Hat Day, Free Dress for everyone.**

**On Monday, Tuesday and Thursday if students come in Free Dress without participating in the assigned dress they will receive a detention and lose their February Free Dress Day.**

### **PTG SPELL-A-THON FUNDRAISER**

This is one of our most successful fundraisers of the year! Nancy Clabby will be spearheading this event. Kick-Off for the Spell-A-Thon will be Monday, February 4th. Forms will be passed out soon to start collecting pledges. Pledges are due Friday, February 22nd. Help your child be a winner and a speller.

### **YEARBOOK NEWS**

Happy 2008! Check today's envelope for the Memory Page flyer. A new process is setup so you can reserve your page and have time to prepare your artwork. This is to keep our printing deadline and yearbook delivery on schedule.

Complete and send in the reservation form along with your payment by February 8th Friday. A yearbook page will be set aside for you. No exceptions. Reminders will be sent to confirming reserved pages and the deadline to submit your memory page. *Send the request to the school office addressed: Yearbook Memory Page, Attn: Betty Agcaoili, c/o Geoffrey Agcaoili, 6th Gr.*

### **St. John Science Fair 2008**

Congratulations All Science Fair Participants! St. John's Science Fair was a great success. Impressive science projects were submitted by the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. Students should be very proud of their accomplishment! Science fair projects were displayed at Open House as follows: 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the library, 7<sup>th</sup> grade in the hallway, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the science room. Winning science projects will be displayed in the main hallway the following week. Thank you to all science fair judges. We are very grateful for your time and talent!

### **Bulletin Announcement:**

We will have a **Parent Meeting** for the sacrament of **First Reconciliation** in the school Library on Thursday, February 7th from 7-8:30 p.m.

We recommend your child be in the 4th grade or above. This is also known as First Confession, we as Catholic Christians believe this is a very special sacrament in the church. The children will be preparing with their 4th grade teachers and their classmates.

We will celebrate the First Reconciliation Ceremony on Thursday, March 6th in the church at 7:30 p.m.

If your child is still in need of **Baptism**, please call the church office at 510-232-0932.  
Thank you, Pam Vincent 510-233-6486

#### **ALTAR SERVERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND ARE:**

**Saturday, February 2**

5:00 PM Mass ~ Leonora Ngina / Arienne Johnson

**Sunday, February 3**

8:00 AM Mass ~ Ariana Alonzo

9:30 AM Mass ~ Juliane Corpus / Jacob Shafer

11:00 AM Mass ~ Lelton Nevue-Gibson / Sammy Pujuleras

12:30 PM Mass ~ Eric Pena

If you cannot serve, please bring in a substitute. Thanks