

## DMCS Newsletter January 24, 2019

Dear Parents-

I hope you are staying warm in this very cold weather! These frigid days remind me to be grateful for the little things. Every Thursday on morning announcements, I ask the students to be thankful. Today, one student told me he was grateful for his coat. Small thing, yet valid especially today. It is the little things!

Next week we celebrate Catholic Schools' Week. For us it begins on Friday night January 25<sup>th</sup> with a PTO sponsored bowling night from 6-8 PM at Bashers. Come and join the fun! We then celebrate 4PM Mass as a school at DMCC on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. All families are encouraged to attend. Students should wear their dress code best. The rest of the schedule of events and special dress days are outlined in the attached fliers. Please note that Preschool and K-5 schedules differ somewhat. Catholic Schools' Week is a wonderful way to celebrate all that is unique about Catholic Education. I hope you will be able to enjoy some of the events with us.

I am excited to announce that we have found a long-term substitute for Mrs. Koch when she leaves on her maternity leave. Michelle Wood is a recent Minnesota State-Mankato graduate who will be taking her place. Thank you for helping me welcome Michelle to Divine Mercy. We are grateful for her presence here.

Financial Aid information is included in this week's newsletter. Please get these forms completed early. Many organizations that contribute to our aid pool have early completion dates. You do not need to wait for your taxes to be completed. You can use last year's information to apply. If you hope to get financial assistance next year, a TADS financial aid application must be completed. Please contact Ginger Van Hecke with any questions.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you for your support of Catholic United Financial Raffle! We are working hard to raise money for new cafeteria tables and other lunchroom updates. We receive every dollar raised through the sale of these tickets. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Our yearly Open House for prospective families is coming soon. If you know of anyone who is considering our school for their children, please encourage them to attend our Open House. It will be held Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 PM. We will have classrooms open, tours, and a light supper. Staff will be available for questions on everything from curriculum to financial aid. We encourage any interested family to attend! We are looking forward to seeing any new family and working to increase enrollment. Thank you for spreading the word.

Have a great day!

Gina Ashley

We request that all K-5 DMCS students sing in the choir at the DMCC 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday Mass, January 26. Students are asked to wear school **dress code best** with a red top to Mass and should meet in the Bishop Dudley Room at 3:30 pm.



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Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, is our next turn in day for the Catholic United Financial Raffle. This year we are raising funds for **new cafeteria tables and upgrades**. Students who turn in 10 tickets on Wednesdays will be eligible for prize drawings on Monday. Top students will receive an Amazon Dot (Echo). Top classroom will receive a pizza party. Thank you for your support!

# BA Middle School Students & DMCS Faithful Beginnings

BA 7th & 8th grade Middle School students and DMCS Faithful Beginnings students spent time reading together today. Moments like these reaffirm why we do what we do, and to see Middle School students smiling and just being themselves with the preschoolers while reading and sharing moments of conversation is amazing.



## Dates to Remember

- Jan. 25 Reward Dress Down Day  
PTO Family Bowling at Bashers  
*(see CSW Calendar for more information)*
- Jan. 26 - Feb. 2 Catholic School's Week**  
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- Feb. 2 Robotics State Tournament
- Feb. 5 Gr. 5 to Pleasant Manor
- Feb. 6 8:30 Mass Gr. 3 Host
- Feb. 7 OPEN HOUSE 4 to 6 PM at DMCS  
OPEN HOUSE 5:30 to 6:30 at BA
- Feb. 8 Care & Share Day
- Feb. 12 GR. 3 to Science Museum
- Feb. 13 Gr. 4 & 5 to MN Orchestra
- Feb. 14 Happy Valentine's Day
- Feb. 15 No School DMCS
- Feb. 18 President's Day - No School DMCS
- Feb. 20 8:30 Mass Gr. 2 Host

## Attached/Included to Folder

- ❖ Hot Lunch Statements
- ❖ **Financial Aid Information** (attached)
- ❖ CSW Calendar PreK-KReadiness & K-Gr. 5 (attached)



## PLEASE NOTE:

☺ There will be **NO Homework Club** on Thursday, January 31st. (*CSW Field Trip Day*)



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