

ST. CATHERINE ACADEMY

THURSDAY NOTE



"Where every child is a gift from God"

Thursday, November 9, 2017

**Please Keep In Your Prayers—
Our Second Graders who will
be making their First
Reconciliation after Mass on
Tuesday, November 14.**



CHRISTMAS PICTURES:

Inter-State Studios will be here on Thursday, November 16 at 8:30 a.m. to take Christmas pictures. You can have each of your children's picture taken separately or all together. Order forms went home today.



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:

St. Catherine Academy will be hosting "Breakfast with Santa" on Saturday, December 9th from 9:00am—11:00am in the cafeteria. There will be pictures with Santa, crafts, donuts, drinks, and a door prize. Donations are accepted. Bring your own camera.

NEW BASKETBALL GOALS ON THE PLAYGROUND:

Have you noticed the new basketball goals on the playground? These new basketball goals were donated to St. Catherine Academy in Honor of Mary Jean Hagan and Sister Mary Leon. The St. Catherine students and staff would like to thank the generous donor who made this purchase possible.

PRE-KINDERGARTEN ACHIEVES FOUR STAR STATUS:

The St. Catherine Pre-Kindergarten Program has received Four-Star Status by the Kentucky All STARS. Kentucky All STARS is Kentucky's expanded five-star quality rating and improvement system serving all early care and education programs that receive public funding. The unified system is based on Kentucky's Early Childhood Standards and research-based indicators of quality. Kentucky All STARS recognizes programs that have made a commitment to continuous quality improvement and provides programs with additional support including training, technical assistance and coaching. Over the last several weeks, Kentucky All Stars has sent many supplies and curriculum appropriate toys and equipment for the Pre-Kindergarten Program and for the After School Care Program. These items were all free to the program to help the program continue to improve and offer the best Pre-Kindergarten program in the area. Congratulations to Mrs. Lynn Brady, our Director and her support staff for this exciting achievement!!

GRANT FROM CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION:

St. Catherine Academy received a generous Technology Grant from the Catholic Education Foundation. This grant funded the purchase of 11 lap top computers to be used in the classrooms. St. Catherine Students and Staff would like to thank the Catholic Education Foundation and all their donors for their support of our school.



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St. Catherine of Alexandria Academy - Thursday Note

CITY OF NEW HAVEN VETERANS APPRECIATION PROGRAM:

The City of New Haven will be honoring the local Military-Veterans and their families on Veterans day, November 11, 2017, starting at 11:00am, in front of New Haven, KY City Hall. Following the program, The New Haven Gun Club sponsors a Country lunch Salute to all visitors. Please come out and join!!

CANDY SALES FOR YEARBOOK

Candy sales have started. Students may buy candy between 2:45-3:00pm each day in Ms. Bryan's classroom. The prices range from \$.25 to \$1.00. Profits go to help offset the cost of the yearbook.

PARENTING POINTERS

30% of the nation's homeless adults have a history of foster care. Consider whether your family is in a position to provide a permanent home for a foster child. A loving family can break this sad cycle. November is National Adoption Month.

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, November 13

9:15am—Conservation for 4th/5th grade

10:45am—Rep. Chad McCoy visits 7th/8th grade

Tuesday, November 14

8:45—Mass

First Reconciliation after Mass

Thursday, November 16

Midterms are sent home

8:30am—Christmas Pictures

9:40am—8th Grade to visit Bethlehem

6:00pm—School Board Meeting

Friday, November 17

Thanksgiving Dinner for Students/Staff

Tuesday, November 21

8:45am—Mass

Wednesday-Friday, November 22-24

Thanksgiving Break—No School

Wednesday, November 22

Office hours are 8:00am-12:00pm

Thursday-Friday, November 23-24

Office is closed for Thanksgiving Holiday

UNIFORM SWEATSHIRTS

If you need a uniform sweatshirt, hoodie or quarter zip sweatshirt, you can go to: The Apparel and Awards Factory link online at st.catherine.theapparelbandawardsfactory.com to order. If you do not have internet access you can place your order at the store. Orders can be picked up at the store.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING WORKSHOP SCHEDULE:

The Archdiocese of Louisville is committed to ensuring that children and youth who worship, study or participate in church-sponsored activities can do so in the safest and most secure setting possible. In an effort to fulfill this commitment, all **employees or volunteers** who have contact with children or youth (18 and under) for ANY length of time are required to participate in one of the 2-hour Safe Environment Training Workshops.

11/09/2017 6:30PM St. Agnes, 1920 Newburg Road., Louisville, KY 40205 Parish Center

11/13/2017 6:30PM St. Joseph School, 320 W Stephen Foster Ave., Bardstown, KY 40004 Cafeteria

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Dear Parents,

St. Catherine will be again offering Alternative School for inclement weather. The Archdiocese of Louisville has again approved for us to use 5 alternative learning days for our school year. We may not use any of the days and we may use them all. How does all this work?

St. Catherine will not have online school for snow days instead we will have “Orange Folder Days”. Students and parents will know in advance when we will have an “Orange Folder Day”. For example: If we are in school on a Tuesday and the weather appears that we will be out the next day for snow- then we will send home your child’s work in an orange folder for the anticipated snow day. Again we only have the alternative days if we have a good idea in advance that we will miss the next school day. Also, on the orange folder days-teachers will be checking their e-mail on the top of each hour from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. if you or your child has any questions about the material sent home. All work in the folder is due back the next school day.

Students are expected to turn in their work the next school day- if they do not turn in their work they will be counted absent for the orange folder day. If your child is sick on an orange folder day you will still need to turn in a parent or doctor’s note.

If you have any questions about the Alternative school day or Orange Folder Day please do not hesitate to ask. You may contact your child’s teacher or me.

Thank you,
Jo Renee O’Bryan

PS- I will also be sending out a One Call to parents (who signed up at the beginning of the year for One Call- you are signed up if you receive your Thursday Note via email) on the days we have inclement weather. The message will let you know if it will be an Orange Folder day or not.



3rd – 6th Grade Little League Boy's Basketball Signups!

It's time to start planning for 3rd – 6th Grade Little League Boy's Basketball
for 2017-2018!

Games generally begin in January and practices will begin in December!!!

Sign-Ups are for boys in grades 3rd-6th !!

For those who sign up, you will be contacted when it's time for practice to begin.

Sign up forms are due in the office by Monday, November 13!!!

Yes, my child would like to play basketball this school year.

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR 2018/2019 SCHOOL YEAR

• New Information •



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The Catholic Education Foundation, the Archdiocese of Louisville and our funding partners are helping more families than ever who cannot afford the full cost of educating their children in a Catholic elementary school.

WHO CAN APPLY? All families with one or more children enrolled in or applying to a Catholic elementary school in the Archdiocese of Louisville.

WHEN DO I APPLY? We've changed the application period so families can apply for assistance earlier than before. Tuition assistance applications should be submitted between **December 15, 2017 and February 28, 2018.**

HOW DO I APPLY? A single form, the FACTS management application, will be used for all forms of Catholic elementary school tuition assistance. Families must use the online application available on our website, **www.ceflou.org.**

To make the application process easier for families, we are changing the income tax information requirement. When submitting your application, you must submit your **2016** federal income tax return and **2016** W-2 information. Your 2017 tax information will not be required.

DO I APPLY EVERY YEAR? Yes, you must apply for tuition assistance each year.

WHEN WILL I KNOW IF I HAVE BEEN GRANTED TUITION ASSISTANCE? Tuition assistance award letters will be mailed to families no later than June 15, 2018.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

■ Completed applications received by February 28, 2018 will participate in the initial grant awards. A much smaller amount of tuition assistance may be available for forms submitted after that date.

■ Complete only one FACTS application for your family, including all students in the family (elementary and high school) on the same form. FACTS will send a need evaluation to all funding sources for which each family could qualify as well as the schools you have listed on the form.

WHAT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS? Please call the Catholic Education Foundation at (502) 585-2747, or visit us online. We would be happy to assist you!



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