

## ST. ROBERT SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER – Friday, December 3, 2021

**POINSETTIA ORDERS** – Just a reminder that the poinsettias will be available for pick up in the Music Room from 2:30-3pm on Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, and after Masses on Saturday, 12/4 and Sunday, 12/5. Please contact Mrs. Daniel at [kdaniel@strobertschool.com](mailto:kdaniel@strobertschool.com) if you have any questions.

**COLD WEATHER CLOTHING** – Just a reminder about winter clothing now that the weather has turned colder...All students in grades Y5 - 3<sup>rd</sup> need to have winter coats, hats, and gloves when out on the playground. Snow pants and boots will be required if they want to play in the snowy areas. Students in grades 4-8 should know enough to bring the proper winter clothing and accessories, but we ask parents to please double check to make sure they are dressed appropriately for the weather. Students will not go out on the playground at all if the temperature or the wind chill is below 5 degrees.

**EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS** – There are several information options available to parents should weather conditions or other circumstances warrant a closing or canceling of school, or if the day is cut short after it has already begun and the children are being sent home early. Parents will be notified of such emergency closings by School Messenger (text) and by radio and television stations. The info will also be posted on the school website and the St. Robert Facebook page. **Listen or look for “St. Robert School” and/or “Flushing Community Schools”: WJRT (Channel 12), WEYI (Channel 25), WNEM (Channel 5), WSMH (Channel 66), WWCK (105.5) and WCRZ (107.9).**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – We are working to return to in-person library, but will be unable to do so without the help of some volunteers. Library days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Volunteers are required to complete the online Virtus training (if not already completed), and will be required to wear a mask while in the building. **Please contact Mrs. Krupp directly at [srslibrary@strobertschool.com](mailto:srslibrary@strobertschool.com) to volunteer of if you have questions.**

**PICTURE RETAKES** – Closed eyes? Glare? No smile? Absent? Picture retakes will take place on Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. You must return the original pictures to have retakes.

**SEND SNOW MAIL** – The Student Council is selling Christmas “Snow Mail”. Send a message to family and friends, or even your favorite teacher. Order forms were sent home this week and are available on the school website. Snow Mail will be sold through Monday, 12/13, and will be delivered Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. The cost for each piece of Snow Mail is 75¢.

**MITTEN TREE** – This year, our Advent Service project will be collecting children's winter gloves and hats for Catholic Charities. With winter upon us, these donations are very important in helping local families. We ask that each child bring in an item to put on our "Mitten Tree" which will be located at the Southern Entrance of the school by Mary's Room. Donations will be accepted December 6<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Ed. Office at (810) 659-8556. Thank you for your generosity!

**CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK SNEAK PEEK** – Christmas Spirit Week is December 13-17. Below is a sneak peek of the special events. A flyer with more detailed information will be sent home early next week.

| Monday<br>12/13  | Tuesday<br>12/14                    | Wednesday<br>12/15  | Thursday<br>12/16   | Friday<br>12/17  |
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| <b>“Baby, It’s Cold Outside Day”</b><br><br>Christmas Scarves, Winter Hats and Socks | <b>“Ugly Christmas Sweater Day”</b> | <b>“Holiday Cheer Day”</b><br><br>Santa Hat, Elf Hat, Reindeer Antlers, Jewelry | <b>“Spirit of the Season Day”</b><br><br>Wear Red and Green | <b>“Almost Christmas Vacay Day”</b><br><br>Christmas Shirt Day |

**25 DAYS OF GIVING** – In the spirit of Christmas giving, SRS has adopted Whaley Children’s Center. Whaley Children’s Center works to provide a safe environment for children of abusive, neglected and at-risk homes. They provide love, attention and support to children that may never see it and rely heavily on community support. The 25 Days of Giving began on Monday, 11/29 and will end on Thursday, 12/16. We’re highlighting the top 25 items each day during announcements, but families can send in any combination of items at any time. Drop boxes will be located throughout the school and in the hallway near Mary’s Room. Please consider donating to Whaley’s as part of your Christmas giving traditions. No donation is too small for these kids!

### **Whaley Children’s Center Top 25 Item List**

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| 1. Liquid Body Wash  | 7. MP3 Player        | 13. Clorox Wipes     | 19. Art & Craft Supplies                |
| 2. Laundry Soap/Pods | 8. Snacks            | 14. Batteries        | 20. Adult Coloring Books                |
| 3. Cleaning Supplies | 9. Paper Products    | 15. ChapStick        | 21. Shampoo                             |
| 4. Bath Towels       | 10. DVDS (G,PG,PG13) | 16. Board/Card Games | 22. Conditioner                         |
| 5. Pillows           | 11. Plastic Totes    | 17. Twin Sheets      | 23. Hair Care Products                  |
| 6. Headphones        | 12. Washcloths       | 18. Lotion           | 24. \$5 Gift Cards (Restaurants/Retail) |
|                      |                      |                      | 25. Journal Book                        |

**PIZZA FRIDAY** – We are going to have special Pizza Fridays on December 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. An informational flyer went home this week. Pizza orders for Friday, 12/10 will be taken during homeroom on Monday, 12/6. Payment is due at the time of order. Students who do not order pizza will need to bring a cold lunch.

**DANCE** – A 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade dance will be held in the Activity Center from 7-10pm on Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Concessions will be available for purchase. Admission is \$5.00 and proceeds will benefit Whaley Children’s Center.

**CHRISTMAS VACATION** – Just a note, Christmas Vacation **begins** Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Students return to school on Monday, January 3, 2022.

**CHRISTMAS NATIVITY** – Join us at 1pm on Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> for a Christmas Nativity, presented by the students of St. Robert School. The Nativity will be held in the church and will also be live streamed on the St. Robert Facebook page.

### **WHAT’S HAPPENING**

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| Friday, 12/3    | 2:30-3pm, Poinsettia Pickup (Music Rm)<br>4-7pm, Fish Fry (Good Shepherd)<br>6-9pm, Candlewalk                                  |
| Saturday, 12/4  | 9am-4pm, CCW Bazaar (Activity Center)<br>Poinsettia Pickup after Mass (Music Rm)  |
| Sunday, 12/5    | Poinsettia Pickup after Masses (Music Rm)   |
| Monday, 12/6    | Snow Mail Sale begins<br>9-10am, 2+1<br>10am, Blessing of the Nativity (1 <sup>st</sup> grade)                                  |
| Tuesday, 12/7   | Picture Retake Day<br>2:45pm, Staff Meeting (Media Center)<br>6pm, 6 <sup>th</sup> grade Camp Copneconic Parent Meeting (Rm 15) |
| Wednesday, 12/8 | 7:30-11:30am, Powers Registration (by appt only)<br>8:30am, Mass (Immaculate Conception)  |
| Thursday, 12/9  | 8:30am, 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> to Mass  |
| Friday, 12/10   | 4-7pm, Fish Fry (Good Shepherd)<br>7-10pm, 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> grade Dance (Activity Center)                       |