

January 4, 2021

HAPPY NEW YEAR St. Germaine families!

I hope all of you enjoyed your Christmas season and time off. It was a great time to relax and rejuvenate for the months ahead. We have 10 days of school before the end of second quarter, so it's time to jump back in and get to work!

Please continue to monitor your child(ren) for symptoms every day before school. Keep them home if any are present. In addition, if anyone in your household suspects infection or was exposed to someone who tested positive, everyone should stay home until symptoms are gone OR a negative test result is received, following the appropriate time frame. We must continue to work together and protect each other if we wish to continue learning together in person. Thank you!

A great big thank you out to Mrs. Plocinik for coordinating our Wiegand's fundraiser and also to Mrs. Enghauser for coordinating our Santa Shop before break! I hope all of you enjoyed your wreaths, pointsettias and all your Santa Shop treasures! 😊

- **All Tuition accounts** must be *paid in full* and **Service hour verification is due by January 15.**

If you shop Amazon, use **Smile.Amazon.com** and support our parish, Our Lady of Hope! Please also support our collection programs: we have a bin located in the activity center parking lot for **donations of clothes and unbreakable household items** and 2 **paper recycling** bins in the north church lot. We also **recycle oral care packaging** i.e. empty toothpaste tubes and cartons, empty dental floss containers, empty printer **ink jet and toner cartridges** and dried up **markers**. We are a Green School!

Please send any photos you may have taken since the beginning of the school year to Krystal Moore krystaljmoore6@gmail.com for our **yearbook** i.e. first day of school, sporting events? (Our teachers will probably be supplying most of the pictures for this year's book).

This week will be pretty quiet as we all get back into the swing of things. Students in grades 1 – 8 will **celebrate Mass** together Tuesday or Wednesday, teachers and staff will enjoy **lunch** today, which two of our families gifted to us for Christmas, and we will all enjoy **Spirit Day on Friday**.

Looking ahead: 1/12—Student Council meeting; 1/14—Men's Club meeting at 7:30 pm; 1/15—end of second quarter; 1/18—Student Council sponsored pajama day for \$1.00; 1/20—First Eucharist parent meeting 6 pm; 1/22—Report card distribution; 1/26—Student Council meeting.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining us for **in-person learning in grades 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6**, please ask them to contact us this week. New students may begin now or beginning second semester on January 18. We will also begin registration for 2021 – 2022 next month so talk to your friends, family and neighbors and promote our school.

Christmas Peace and Blessings,
Mrs. DeGrez