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On Eagles' Wings

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope you all had an enjoyable and healthy Christmas Break. During the Epiphany season, we remember the many ways in which God makes himself known to us. May God's presence be with you all, and may His love bless you throughout this year!

The school year continues with many activities and events coming up. Next Thursday through Sunday (January 14-17) is our annual NIT Basketball Tournament here at St. John's. Each year we host this tournament for our boys' and girls' basketball teams. We have teams coming from as far away as Anaheim, California. I encourage you to come and support our teams.

Please keep our seventh grade teacher, Bob Hauch, in your prayers. As many of you may know, he has been battling cancer for the past three and a half years as well as a bad back. Over the Christmas Break, he reinjured his back and then a scan showed he had additional cancer.

In Christ,
Joel D. Wahlers
Principal

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| 1. | Sun. | Jan. | 10 | Red and Green Group Kindergarten Play Day-12:30-2:00-Kindergarten Room |
| | Thurs-Sun | Jan. | 14-17 | 7/8 Grade Napa Invitational Basketball Tournament-N.I.T.-Home |
| | Mon. | Jan. | 18 | Martin Luther King Day-No School of PALS |
| | Sat. | Jan. | 23 | Crab Feed-See item #3 |
| | Sun. | Jan. | 24 | Red and Green Group Kindergarten Play Day-12:30-2:00-Kindergarten Room |

2. Congratulations to our **S.N.A.P.SHOTS of the week:**

Bryce Powers Kelli Anderson Sophia Guastucci Abby Scheumann Walter Matulich Madison Edmeyer
William Miller Nick Davino Catherine Richardson

3. **CRAB FEED:** Our annual crab feed is being held on Saturday, January 23rd in the parish hall from 6-10pm. Tickets are **\$40 per person**. The theme for this year is **Mardi Gras**. It will be a great night of fellowship, friends, family, fun and...FOOD! Yes, there will be dancing! **We will be dancing to the music of D.J. Atom Bomb!** There will be all you can eat pasta, salad, bread and CRAB.

We will have raffles prizes, and the table that is decorated the best will receive a prize.

If you are interested in helping with set up, clean up, kitchen / cooking, donations, 8th grade organizer, raffle prizes, etc. please contact Jean Bernier @ 707-224-9634 or 707-227-5931. You may sign up in the school office or call Jean .

4. **N.I.T. Spirit Week:** This next week we will be having spirit week in preparation of our basketball tournament held Thurs-Sun here at St. John's. The following is the attire to be worn on each day:

Monday-January 11-Sports Day
Tuesday-January 12-Celebrity Day
Wednesday, January 13-Twin Day (or group)
Thursday-January 14-Blue and White Day
Friday-January 15th-P.J. Day

Support St. John's by participating in Spirit Week and then be sure to check out the games during the weekend.

Go Eagles!

5. **Basketball Tournament (NIT):** The 21st annual St. John's Napa Invitational Tournament (NIT) begins this coming week. Games begin on Thursday at 3:45 p.m. and continue through Sunday. St. John's girls play their first game at 6:15 on Thursday; the boys play at 7:30 p.m.
Please join us for fun, fellowship, and good basketball (and the best snack bar around). Daily admission is \$4.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students. Weekend passes are available. **GO EAGLES!!**
6. **Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University**
The next session begins on Thursday, January 21st. The classes are taught by Dave Ramsey, a personal money management expert, via DVD. This 13 week class focuses on financial management, eliminating debt, saving for college expenses, retirement, and much more. Classes will be held Thursday evenings from 7:00 – 8:45 beginning January 21 through April 22. Scholarships are available to cover part or all of the \$100 cost per family. **Free Previews and Registration** will be held in the Church on Sunday, January 10, from 12:15 – 1:15 PM; and Tuesday, January 12 from 7:00 – 8:00 PM. For more information, contact Pastor Mark pastormark@stjohnslutheran.net
7. **Box Tops for Education:** We received a check this week in the amount of \$456.80 for the last mailing of Box Tops. Thank you to everyone for your participation. All box tops will need to be in by Feb. 24 for our final mailing for the year. Start saving your new box tops now! Thank you to Mrs. Sandy Butler for her organization in making this program successful!
Please do not include Campbell's Soup points!

8. **Kid's Turn** - This January and February St. John's Lutheran School will be hosting another session of Kid's Turn on campus. This is a program sponsored by COPE Family Center in Napa that works with children ages 4-14 who are dealing with separation and divorce in their family. The classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm. They run January 12th – February 16th, 2010. For more information or to register please call Cope Family Center at 252-1123.
9. **Lost and Found:** Lost and Found is located in Room 10. The amount of clothing we have could open a small boutique. Please stop by and claim any clothes belonging to your family. All remaining items will be donated to charity at the end of this month. **Please remember to label all clothing which could be removed during the day.** We will make every attempt to return all labeled clothes.
10. **Help Keep Others Warm:** Continue looking through your closets and for unused coats and sweaters. The Brownie Troop for St. John's Lutheran School will be collecting coats and sweaters until January 15th. Please bring your donations to Jill Kusel's office, in the resource office next to the parish kitchen. The items may be new or used. Thank you for your help.
11. **From the Admissions Counselor:** As you may know, St. John's is working to enhance our marketing efforts in the Napa community. Do you have ideas of where we could disseminate our marketing materials?
 - Does your child attend an after-school activity or practice where school brochures or flyers could be displayed?
 - Is your business or employer willing to display our school brochure or flyers advertising upcoming school events such as open houses, school fundraisers, etc?
 - Are you part of an organization (play group, parent group, etc.) whose members may benefit from our information?
 - Would your church be willing to make an announcement in their bulletin or newsletter?

We can give you copies of SJLS materials to take to these locations, or let us know where to go or who to contact, and we'll take care of it.

We value your input, comments and suggestions. Please contact Kristin Goller, Admissions Counselor at 287-6864 or kgoller@stjohnsnapa.org. Thank you!

12. **Napa Rec Youth Basketball League:** Boys and girls, ages 7-12 years old, will have the opportunity to learn and develop the skills needed to excel in one on America's favorite sports. Practices will begin the week of January 18th with games beginning Saturday, January 30th. Early registration deadline is December 18th for \$82.00. Late registration will be accepted at \$92.00. For more information please contact Mike Franchi at 257.9210 or mfranchi@cityofnapa.org. Fliers in school office.
13. **Napa Community T-Ball:** Beginning baseball for boys and girls whose birthdays fall between 7-1-01 and 5-1-05. Sign up at Napa Library, 580 Coombs Street on Tuesday Jan. 19th from 6-8:45pm, Saturday, January 23rd from 3-5 pm and Saturday, February 6th, 8am-noon. Registration fee is \$40 (\$30 for each additional child). Please remember to bring emergency and doctors' phone numbers. New players need copy of birth certificate. The season is April 17th to June 5th. Information Hot Line: 259-0344.
14. **Vintage Cheer & Dance Team** will be holding a youth clinic on Friday, January 22nd. Meet for clinic a VHS dance room IA-4. Check in a 3:45. Clinic will be from 4pm to JV Basketball half time. Perform during JV half time in Crusher Gym. Please pick up a registration form in the school office. Checks should be payable to VHS Cheer/Dance.
15. **Harvest Event: Ladies Bunco Night** at Wendy Randolph's home on the evening of Friday, May 14th - we have **four (4) spots left for \$50 each**, if you would like to attend, please pay and sign up in the office. You may also contact the Auction Chair, Christine Matulich at (C) 225-5712 or at cbmatulich@earthlink.net to sign up as well.
16. **Mom's in Touch:** Calling All Moms!! Come join us in prayer for your children and our school. We will begin meeting on Monday mornings, 8:30-9:30, in the Sacristy room (across from Pastor Mike's office). Our first meeting will be on Monday, September 21st. For more information please call Penni Cremen-483-9321 or Wendy Randolph 815-0754 or 255-8669.
17. **From the Minister of Youth and Children: Don't forget that Sunday School and Sunday Morning Bible class start up again this Sunday, January 10th. We meet from 9:30-10:30 am and we hope you will join us!**
7th and 8th Grade Ministry...If you are involved in Confirmation, just a reminder that we are back in session. We meet on Wednesday, January 20th from 7-8:30 pm for our next Learning Event. Any questions, contact your Adult Guide.
18. **The Scoop From Scrip:** The final totals for box sales during the month of December were \$45,000 with a profit of \$1,800.00. Thank you to everyone who made one of our busiest months a success!
 We are no longer carrying Target or Trader Joes but will begin selling Boarders/Waldenbooks. **Did you know that TJ Max/Marshalls Scrip can be used at Home Goods! They come in denominations of \$25.00.**
 The 2009.2010 Scrip year will end on April 30th. Many of you have already met your Scrip Commitment and others are still working towards it. Please remember to preplan your shopping needs and buy Scrip. All families are welcome and encouraged to purchase Scrip. **All profits benefit your children!**
19. **Hot Lunches: Monday/Wednesday/Friday lunches need to be preordered the week before.**
Please do not use the Lunch Coupons for Tues. & Thurs. Lunches.

Monday, Jan. 11	Corn Dog/Tater Tots/Fruit or Chef Salad	
Tuesday, Jan. 12	Grilled Cheese/Salad/Dessert	\$4.00
(8th grade)	Additional Sandwich	\$1.00
	Additional Dessert	\$.50
Wednesday, Jan. 13	Burgers/Fries/Cookie or Chicken Caesar Salad	
Thursday Jan. 14	Cheese Pizza	\$3.00
	Extra Slice	\$1.50
	Ice Cream	\$.50
Friday, Jan. 15	Mac & Cheese/Garlic Bread/Fruit or Chef Salad	