

# DIVINE SAVIOR SCHOOL NEWS

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The Mission of Divine Savior Catholic School is to provide a quality Catholic and academic education that fosters a life-long commitment to living the Word of God.

Dear Parents,

During this Advent season we are preparing for Jesus' coming and rediscovering what Christ is about. We have been reflecting on Christ's mission of preaching the kingdom of God. We should continue to seek the spiritual meaning of Christmas....to change us and our world, and to eliminate evil. Christ's message is about setting things right in the world, working against everything that is unjust, and giving to each person the dignity he or she deserves.

## **Sleighride**

The second annual Divine Savior Sleighride for Technology Fundraiser is scheduled for next Tuesday, December 15. The Pre-school through fourth grade students will have their "sleighride" in the morning and fifth through eighth graders ride will take place in the afternoon. The third and fourth graders hope to be able to stop at the Kiel Senior Center to sing a few carols during the senior's lunchtime while the seventh graders plan on visiting the Homestead to do some caroling. Students are reminded to dress for the weather as the rides last approximately 30 minutes. Cookies and hot cocoa will be provided by the Home School Association. The "sleighride" kicks-off the Technology Fundraiser. Thanks to Mr. Bill Hess for organizing this event and fundraiser. Donations can be sent now through January to Mr. Hess at Hess and Associates in New Holstein. Funds raised this year are earmarked for replacing the computer lab server at the Kiel campus and installing a server at our New Holstein campus. Software for recording student grades, assignments, etc. which would be assessable to parents through the school website is also part of this years fundraising goal. **A permission slip for the event is included with this newsletter and is due back by Monday, December 14.**

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat**

We are still in need of drivers for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade retreat on Thursday, December 17, going to St. Paul's in Combined Locks. If you can drive the students, please call the New Holstein school office ASAP at 898-4210.

## **Winter Apparel/Coat Drive**

Parents, have your children outgrown last year's winter coats and apparel? If so, please consider donating the gently used and clean items to the K-Kids Winter Apparel/Warm Coat Drive. Items will be accepted through Friday, December 18. The new and/or clean and gently used coats, sweaters, hats, mittens, and scarves can be dropped off at either campus until then. Last year a special need was men's size coats. Mrs. Jacobson, the K-Kids advisor, will again deliver the items to the Mission House of Milwaukee.

### **Reconciliation**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will be able to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation through Fr. Loren on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 15. The 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders will receive the sacrament on Wednesday, December 16, during Father Harry's classroom visit time.

### **Home & School**

The Home & School Association is looking for parent volunteers for the Staff Appreciation Luncheon scheduled for Wednesday, February 3. Volunteers are needed from 11:00 until 1:30 for lunch and recess duties. Please call Karla Knauf at 898-1435 if you can donate your time.

The officers would also like to thank Cheryl Ott and her committee for organizing the Holiday Social after last week's concert. Good job!

Just a reminder that the deadline is tomorrow, Friday, December 11, if you plan to use the SCRIP gift certificate program for Divine Savior staff members.

### **Divine Savior Child Care**

**Snow Day? Christmas Vacation? What do I do with the Kids? Don't want to use vacation time? Asked Grandma and Grandpa too many times already?**

**Divine Savior Child Care is the answer!** Pre-register your child for any day you need a safe and fun place to drop your children off. Call us after 5:45 a.m. and we will let you know if we have room. We are open 6 am to 6 pm Monday through Friday for children 3 years old to 11 years old. The cost is a bargain at only \$2.50 per hour. The children have access to age appropriate games, crafts, computers, the gymnasium and library. We are open to **all** faiths all year round. (Parents will need to pack a lunch for their child on snow days and school vacation days as there will be no hot lunch available.) We will be open December 28, 29 and 30. Before and after school care is available during the school year and during the summer. We are the answer you are looking for. Contact Kathy Voland at (920) 894 – 3533 ext. 317 to reserve a spot for your child!

### **Progress Reports**

December 9 is the mid-quarter point for the second quarter of the school year. Mid-quarter Progress Reports will be sent home on Thursday, December 17, with the students. Be on the look out for them.

### **Talent Show**

Students planning now! Once again during Catholic Schools Week, (January 31 – February 5, 2010), Divine Savior will hold a Talent Show. The show is scheduled for the last day of CSW, Friday, Feb. 5, after the closing all-school Mass at the New Holstein campus and in conjunction with the Special Person's Lunch. Sign up sheets for the Talent Show will be included with a later newsletter.

### **Thank You**

Thanks to everyone who bought tickets for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade soup raffle basket. With your help, we raised over \$600.00 that will help fund our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip. Congratulations to Mike Herzog of Kiel who won the basket!

The Divine Savior 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class

### **Happy Birthday**

Happy birthday greetings go out to our Divine Savior bookkeeper, Mrs. Scholz, who celebrates her birthday on Monday, December 14. May Our Lord bless her on her special day and throughout the year.

### **Next Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be sent home on Thursday, December 17.

**Mr. Konetzke & the Divine Savior Staff**

### **Enclosures**

- Sleigh Ride Permission Slip
- Packer Fundraising update and work schedule
- Apple Pie wrap-up

Breakfast with Santa sponsored by Kiel Area Junior Achievement will be held on Saturday, December 12 from 8:00-11:00 a.m. at Zielanis Elementary School. Pancakes, sausages and a drink will be served. Advance tickets prices: \$6.00 for 12 and up, \$5.00 for 3-11 and free under 2. At the door ticket prices: \$7.00 for 12 and up, \$6.00 for 3-11 and free under 2. Tickets are available for purchase at the Kiel campus office.