

# 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,

Once again you've shown your commitment to your children's education by participating in the Parent-Teacher conferences last week. All 100% of the parents attended conferences. Thank you on behalf of the staff. Attendance at the conferences and contact with the teachers shows to your children that you are concerned, interested, and involved in their education and growth. An education involves BOTH an active participation at home (parents) and school (teachers).

## **Christmas Concert**

The Divine Savior Christmas Program is only twelve days away. It's scheduled for Tuesday night, December 1, at 6:00 pm in the SS. Peter and Paul church. The Pre-school children will start the program off by singing a few Christmas songs. The Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade program, "The Night Jesus Was Born", will follow with the 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade program "North Pole Exposure," closing the program. The program should last about 60 – 75 minutes.

The students should arrive for the Tuesday evening program at 5:40 pm to change into their costumes. The Pre-school children should meet their teacher, Mrs. Voland, in the first pews of the church. (After they perform, parents should "Pick them up" to sit with them for the rest of the program.) The Kdg. – grade 4 students should meet in their homerooms. The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys should meet in the Music Room and the 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls are to meet in the Pre-school room. (The Pre-school and Music rooms are on the first level of the Kiel campus building.)

A practice in church for the 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders is scheduled for Monday afternoon, November 30, in SS. Peter and Paul church at 12:30. The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be bussed to the Kiel campus after their lunch recess for practice. Kiel students will be dismissed directly from the Kiel campus at the end of the day while only the New Holstein students will be bussed back to the New Holstein campus for dismissal.

Practice for the program will also be held on Tuesday morning, December 1, in church. The 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders will again be bussed to the Kiel campus (about 9:45 am) for morning practice. All students will have lunch at the Kiel campus. A dress rehearsal will then be held beginning at approximately 12:30 pm. Parents, grandparents, etc. are welcome to attend the dress rehearsal. After the dress rehearsal a "buddy activity" is planned for all the K – 8 students, time permitting. Again, at dismissal time the Kiel campus students will be dismissed directly from the Kiel campus while only the New Holstein students will ride the shuttle bus back to the New Holstein campus for dismissal. The Home-School Association is planning a reception in Voland Hall after the evening performance.

### **Buddy Activity**

As mentioned above, the students will be participating in a “Buddy Activity” after the Christmas Concert dress rehearsal. We are in need of the following supplies for this activity:

Large plastic jar w/lid and label removed (peanut butter)

Fiberfill

Buttons, various sizes and colors

Felt scraps, any color

Pom-poms, large size, any color

Thanks for donating these supplies. The end result will be a nice Christmas decoration which we will share with a nursing home.

### **Book Fair**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Book Fair through donations and purchasing items. Through your involvement approximately \$1500.00 worth of new books were obtained for the school libraries.

### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to the following students who won awards in the Veteran’s “When to Honor Our Veterans” essay contest: first place – Grace Schuette (\$100.00), second place Noah Draxler (\$75.00), and third place Elise Ott (\$50.00). They were asked to read their winning entries at last week’s Veteran’s Day program which was hosted by the Student Council. Great job to the essay winners and to the Student Council on a fine program

Congratulations, also, to the following 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade winners in the Knights of Columbus “Right to Life” essay contest. Winners were: Greg Mueller and Eric Gebhart (7<sup>th</sup> grade) and Noah Draxler and Kelsey Berchem (8<sup>th</sup> grade). Each of the students received a \$25.00 prize.

### **Honor Roll**

Congratulations to the 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades who attained the “A” and “B” Honor Rolls for the first quarter of the 2009 – 2010 school year and to all the students who worked their hardest. You give praise and honor to God whenever you use your God-given talents to the fullest.

### **Food Drive**

The Student Council and K-Kids Food Drive at each campus ends tomorrow, November 20. Items should be brought to the student’s homeroom. The non-perishable items will be presented as student offerings at Thanksgiving Masses (Friday, 11/20 in NH and Tuesday, 11/24 in Kiel). All donations will be given to the Kiel Community Pantry and St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry. Please encourage your child to be generous for those less fortunate during this time of thankfulness for what we have.

### **Picture Retakes**

Picture Retake Day and for those who were absent on Picture Day will be tomorrow, Friday, November 20. Retakes will be at the Kiel campus at 8:00 am and at 9:00 am at the New Holstein campus. Original pictures must be returned if a retake is done.

### **Board of Trustees Meeting**

The November Divine Savior Board of Trustees meeting is next Tuesday, November 24, at 6:30 pm. It will be held in the Holy Rosary Parish Life Center.

### **Holiday Shopping**

Need holiday shopping ideas? Consider Divine Savior apparel. Orders will be taken until Thanksgiving break for Christmas delivery. Pick up order forms at the Kiel or New Holstein campus offices. See the display cases at New Holstein. T-shirt sizes are available to try on at both campuses.

### **Birthday Greetings**

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Mrs. Cherney, our second grade teacher, who celebrates her birthday on Monday, November 23. May Our Lord's blessings be upon her on her special day and throughout the year.

### **Next Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be sent home on Thursday, December 3. There will NOT be a newsletter next week because of the short week and holiday break.

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

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

### **Enclosures**

- December, 2009 School Calendar
- December, 2009 Lunch Menu Calendar
- Honor Roll
- Christmas Program Social Flyer
- H1N1 Vaccination Clinics Updates
- SCRIP News & Order Sheet
- Permission Slip for RHS Christmas Show

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.