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December 1, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congratulations to our NJHS Board who performed wonderfully at the Immaculata Scholastica Bowl. We have much to be proud of at St. Bartholomew School.

Our Band and Chorus performed beautifully in the Winter Concert as they displayed their musical talents. Thank you, Mrs. Kinnucane, for all your work in preparing our students. Please join us on December 4 at 7:00 pm at the JCPenney wing of the Brunswick Square Mall to hear our Chorus sing Christmas carols.

The Tree Lighting was enjoyed by all as students created an ornament, decorated our tree, and sang Christmas carols. Thank you, Mrs. Riccardella, for coordinating this event and Mrs. Buttons for preparing the treats for our students and staff.

On December 4 and 5, our students will attend the St. Nick Sale where they may purchase Christmas gifts. Please check teachers' websites for the date and time students will attend. Students may add Christmas colors to their uniform on the day they attend (sweatshirts, socks, hair bows, etc.). Thank you, Mrs. Harduby, for coordinating this event and all our volunteers who wrap the many gifts and assist our shoppers. We are expecting a visit from St. Nick on December 6 as he comes and fills shoes with treats! Students will use paper shoes this year.

On Friday, December 7, Bishop Checchio and The Board of Trustees will be visiting our school. Please note that Mass will begin at 8:00 instead of 8:30 am on this day. A special presentation of Our Lady of Guadalupe play and hymn by our third grade will take place along with a special dance. There will also be a video presentation before the trustees tour our school. Students should dress in formal uniforms for this special event. Also, no hot lunch will be served on this day, so students should pack a brown bag lunch.

As a reminder, we are a nut-free school, so please be mindful of this when packing snacks and lunches.

A special Christmas Concert to benefit our school will be held on Saturday, December 8, beginning at 6:30 pm in the Church. Vincent and Emily Ricciardi will perform Christmas favorites. Please see the flyer in the Communication Envelope for details.

Please see the flyer about the Evening or Prayer at St. Francis Cathedral on December 12 beginning at 7:30 pm.

***The mission of St. Bartholomew School is to love, educate and inspire  
our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.***

Our Christmas Show will be held on December 14 beginning at 7:00 pm in the evening. This is a mandatory event for students. Doors will open at 6:30 pm. Please note that there is no hot lunch on December 13 and 14, so please pack a brown bag lunch.

We look forward to December 21 when our second grade students will host the Christmas Mass. Please see the flyer about the Christmas Social for parents/guardians following the Mass. All are invited to attend the Mass and Social.

As we begin our Advent journey, we reflect on the nature of God and our relationship with Him as our eighth grade students lead us in prayer each morning and light the Advent wreath.

As always, thank you for all you do to support our mission.

God bless you,  
Mrs. Ann Wierzbicki, R.N., M.A.E./Ed.S.  
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