FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Academy Families,

I don’t know about you, but I sure have had my fill of snow reports, snow questions, and discussions about the winter apocalypse! I’m sure we’re in for a big one, so make sure you stock up on essentials this time. If nothing else, it looks like the wind will be enough trouble. This much snow will not bother me, unless we do not have power. I think that’s where most of us draw the line! The last time we lost power was Hurricane Sandy. This was the weekend my husband was running and hit by a car! ...So, no power in the house, no back-up generator, and no access to my husband in the hospital since the Governor issued a State of Emergency. Believe me, I already told Brian no running this weekend. We don’t need history repeating itself!

As much as I use humor with this memory, it does remind me how lucky I am. I have an amazing place to work, wonderful students to look after, and a beautiful family at home. I am one grateful woman. I think sometimes it is easy to forget this very simple reality. So as the kids are running through the house, eating everything in the cabinets, dragging in the snow, and taking over the remote, just take a moment to soak it in. These are weekends that create memories.

We sent out a test phone message Thursday evening to make sure all was working with the new system. You will no longer hear the lovely Bridgid Rubio on the message. With the new system it might be me, but more likely it will be a computer-generated voice (which is quicker to send).

Regarding Monday, check your phones, email, our
website, the SEA Facebook page, and radio stations (WDEL, WSTW). If we are off Monday, it would be the perfect time for students to check their grades and complete any missing assignments since progress reports are being posted next Friday.

May you enjoy your weekend in the snow,
Tricia

SCHOOL MESSENGER BROADCASTING

When weather requires us to cancel school, the decision is almost always made the morning of...not the evening before. We do our best to issue the notice around 6am. Our School Messenger system issues a voice call to your cells and home phone. On Thursday (1/21), we issued a test message. If you did not receive this call, please contact the Main Office. We will look into it for you. We want everyone to be safe and avoid unnecessary travel but we will only close school when it is imperative. Families, of course, should make their own decisions and any weather-related absences will be excused. Just be sure to communicate to the Main Office by 9am when your son is absent (or tardy).

Remember—we also list our closings and delays with several radio and tv stations (93.7, 99.5, ABC, NBC)

LF, MF & UF ACADEMICS UPDATE

Progress Reports for the second trimester will be posted in NetClassroom next Friday, 1/29. Progress reports are a snapshot of your son’s progress at the midpoint of the trimester. The trimester ends on 3/4. Conferences are being held on Thursday, 2/11 (3:30-8:00pm) and are by appointment only. Look for an email containing a link to the Signup Genius.

Also, please note that students in grades 3-7 will take the TerraNova test 3/2 through 3/11. Please avoid tardies and absences during that time frame. Contact Joe Cincotta with questions about testing.

SCHOOL SPIRIT NIGHT AT 87ers GAME!

+ Conferences after school (3:30-8pm)

FRIDAY, 2/12
+ No Classes

MONDAY, 2/15
+ No Classes

LETTER DAYS

Monday, 1/25***
‘A’ Day
Tuesday, 1/26
‘B’ Day
Wednesday, 1/27
‘C’ Day
Thursday, 1/28
‘D’ Day
Friday, 1/29
‘E’ Day

***Skip this letter day if snow closes us!

CANCELLED!

All SEA Basketball Games have been cancelled for tonight and tomorrow (1/23). Sunday CYM games will be announced on the CYM website tomorrow, 1/22.
Get ready for a night of fun and basketball at the Bob Carpenter Center! As part of Catholic Schools Week festivities, the Saint Edmond’s community invites you to join us as the Delaware 87ers take on the Maine Red Claws on Friday, February 5th at 7pm. Arrive early for courtside access as the players warm up. This event is open to current S.E.A families as well as our friends in the community! Ticket order forms are in your son’s Friday Folder, or click here to download. Ticket orders must be in to the SEA Main Office by Monday 1/25.

S.E.A COURTSIDE UPDATE

When it comes to basketball, we do it BIG! Recent SEA hoop victories: 3rd/4th Grade Red won their 2 games in the DE State League as well as their Malvern League game. All three JV teams won their games in the SEA and CYM leagues. - Varsity Red and Varsity Gray won their CYM league games. Yeah!

BUNCO FAMILY NIGHT $5/Kids | $10/Adults

Did you get our EVITE for Bunco? So many families are already signed up! Thank you! Take a look to see who'll be in attendance. Remember, RSVP or send regrets there but pay at the door for dinner and dice games (all ages!)

SAVE THE DATE

Parents’ Guild is also sponsoring a Knight of Red Coats on Saturday, April 30th. It will be an upscale adults only, evening of cocktails, carving stations and good company! The planning will begin at the next Parents’ Guild meeting. Please join us! Save these dates, too... Thurs., February 4th: Parents’ Guild Meeting 7pm Sat., March 19th: Student Dance

LIBRARY SPONSORS AN HR CONTEST

The library will be sponsoring a Box Tops Blitz the week of February 22nd-26th! Students will be asked to collect as many Box Tops as possible. Grandparents, friends, and neighbors can also contribute. Once you have gathered your Box Tops, place them in an envelope or plastic baggie (with name & homeroom written on the envelope) which can be dropped...
off at either the Upper or Lower Form donation baskets. At the end of the week, the homeroom that collects the most Box Tops will receive a **free tag day**! Start saving now to help your homeroom win the *Box Top Blitz*. Also, a special thank you is extended to the Poplos/Gravino, Trickey and Thompson families for their Box Tops donations last week. We collected another $37 through their efforts!

**SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE RESCHEDULED**

Due to the impending storm, our Open House has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 15th, from 9:00-11:00am. Join us to learn more about what makes Saint Edmond’s Academy the premier school for boys in the region. You will have the opportunity to speak with faculty, students, and current SEA parents all while touring our state-of-the-art facility and campus. Families with boys ages 3 through 8th grade are invited to witness first-hand how an education at Saint Edmond’s will set students on the path to greatness. Visit [this page](#) to register. Spread the word!

**JOIN US IN PRAYER**

Please send your special intentions to us.

Join us this week as we keep the following sick or suffering members of our community in our prayers...

-- *Rae Emerich*, Jax Trickey's grandmother
-- *Norma Cofrancesco*, Chas Egoville’s grandmother
-- *Pat Pack*, Tyler Saccomandi’s grandmother
-- Nicholas Poplos’ great-grandmother
-- *Paul Hendrix*, grandfather of Matthew Hendrix
-- The McHugh Family
-- J.L. | *Arianne Missimer* | *Christopher White*

and for the Repose of the Souls of...

-- *Joanna Glenn*, grandmother of Jack Krukiel
-- *Jennifer Lynn Hearn*, Colton Steele’s aunt
-- *Megan Ann O’Neill & Michael Curcio*

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Click [here](#) to join the volunteer fun!

**BAND PRACTICES**

**MONDAY, 1/25**

*Jazz Band*

**TUESDAY, 1/26**

*No Practices*

**WEDNESDAY, 1/27**

*Lancer Band (percussion)*

**THURSDAY, 1/28**

*Jazz Band*

**FRIDAY, 1/29**

*Beginner Band (winds & brass)*