FROM DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Academy Families,

This week my family sadly said their goodbyes to our sweet aunt. My aunt Irene was one of the good ones—so full of laughter, life and love. She died too early, but she sure did live life to the fullest with family and friends. I will miss her contagious laughter and her undeniable loyalty to her family. She taught me to cherish the small moments and find the time to make these moments happen every day. I think this earth could use a few more Aunt Irene's, don't you? Next week it is all about the talent we have at the Academy! [Please continue reading by clicking here.]

THANKSGIVING MASS: TUESDAY, 11/24

Please join us for a special mass on Tuesday, November 24th (the last day of school before our holiday break begins) at 8:15am in the Rollins Center for the Performing Arts. This year we have invited First Responders from several New Castle County emergency agencies to join us so we can show our appreciation for all that they do. The students thought this would be a great way to show gratitude at Thanksgiving. Light refreshments will be served in the Anthony N. Fusco, Sr. Great Hall after Mass. Please respond if you are able to attend.

CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF SERVICE

Please check your inboxes for a special invitation. We're having a ceremony and reception to honor Brother Joe Ash's 35 years of service to the Academy. As you know, Brother Joe taught religion for many years and just until this year, he taught all grade 7 religion classes. He, along with Brother Tom Meaney and Mr. Joe Cincotta was also the coordinator and enthusiastic travel guide for the
Academy's Annual Seventh Grade Florida trip taken over the last 30 years or so during the week of Easter Vacation. We'd love for you to join us. Please respond if you plan to attend.

FROM THE OPEN HOUSE COMMITTEE
Thank you to those who posted our Open House yard signs in their neighborhood. Please either return your yard sign at car line or instead keep your sign, and we will provide a 'January 24th' patch for you. This is the date of our next Open House. We appreciate your willingness to advertise admission events for us. We can all agree that word of mouth is one of the most valuable ways to advertise what our school and community offers to our students and their families. Thanks for posting the signs and spreading the word to your neighbors and friends!

FOOD DRIVE WILL WRAP UP NEXT WEEK
As part of their Knighthood Project, the 5th grade religion classes are taking part in a food drive for the Food Closet of the Claymont Community Center. It will run through 11/20. Canned foods (1 point each) Badly needed items such as peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix, syrup and cereal (2 points each). Turkeys (10 points each) will be accepted on Friday the 20th. The homeroom with the highest total of points will be rewarded with a pizza party and a tag day.
Click here to see the totals so far for each homeroom. Mrs. Oswinkle's homeroom class appears to be in the lead.

JANUARY TRANSFER PROGRAM
The search for prospective families is in full swing, but we're also looking to our current SEA families for new enrollments. If any current Saint Edmond's families wish to enroll their son who is NOT presently attending the Academy, for either the January Transfer Program or September 2016, please contact Pete Duncan so that he may begin this process and reserve those seats sooner than later. There are plenty of reasons to consider our January transfer program. Get the process started by arranging a Student Shadow Day here in the next couple of weeks!

LETTER DAYS
Monday, 11/16
'E' Day
Tuesday, 11/17
'F' Day
Wednesday, 11/18
'A' Day
Thursday, 11/19
'B' Day
Friday, 11/20
'C' Day

SPIRITWEAR SALE
Click here for general spiritwear purchases.
Click here for Basketball apparel.

WISH LIST
Do you have any of these items lying around the house?
Check out Mrs. Downs' Art Room Wish List!

LUNCH MENU
MONDAY, 11/16:
Grilled Chicken Sandwich ($3.50)
Rice ($1.25)
SINGING AT CHRISTIANA HOSPITAL

We have been invited to sing in the lobby of Christiana Hospital for families of patients and for those patients who are ambulatory. The event is scheduled for Saturday, December 12th at 10:30am. This event is open to all singers in any of the three choirs. We are looking forward to sharing the joy of Christmas through song and bringing cheer to an appreciative audience.

Wednesday, 11/18:
Deli Sandwich with Chips ($3.50)

Wednesday, 11/18:
Ravioli Dinner with Garlic Bread ($3.50)

Thursday, 11/19:
Taco ($1.75)

Friday, 11/20:
Pizza ($2.00) ($2.50)

CAFETERIA VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Monday, 11/16: 3
Monday, 11/23: 1
Tuesday, 11/24: 2