



ICS Newsletter -- January 5, 2012

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! Thank you for all of your good wishes to us. May you and your families be blest with good health, happiness and God's love this new year.

We are getting ready for this year's celebration of Catholic Schools Week (CSW) – January 29 - February 3, 2012. The theme this year is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Academics. Service." You are well aware of the outstanding teaching and learning that takes place at ICS. We strongly emphasize our Catholic religious values; we have a vibrant, lively and rigorous academic course of instruction; and we are devoted to serving others, especially those who are poorest among us. Your generous gift of time always makes our CSW such a wonderful success. Not only do we build enthusiasm for ICS but we build lasting friendships.

We are in need of many volunteers again this year. Please sign up for any of the many activities that are being offered:

Open House – Sunday, January 29th – 10 AM till 1 PM:

We need a parent in each classroom with their child to interact with visitors. While the teacher is present, parents like to talk to other parents.

We need:

- 1) Parent and student tour guides
- 2) Parent greeters who welcome visitors, hand them an information folder, and direct them to the sign-in table
- 3) Recorders who will take down valuable information about our visitors (name, address, phone number, etc.) and who will also address an envelope to be sent later in the week.

Teacher In-Service (NO SCHOOL) Monday – January 30th:

- East Aurora District Conference Day
- Cupcake parties at home – make and frost for RTL dinner

Tuesday, January 31st:

- We need parents to help direct a class (like at Thanksgiving) to prepare a meal for 160 clients at RTL. Mrs. Peek will be managing this. Will need at least two drivers to RTL with food.

Wednesday, February 1st:

- Catholic Schools Week Mass at 9:15 AM
- Teacher Luncheon

Thursday, February 2nd:

- 9:00 AM – Sr. Johnice is visiting all the students in the cafeteria
- 11:30 AM – 1:10 PM: Lunch box auction for Crossroads Springs Orphanage in Kenya (more information to follow)

Friday, February 3rd:

- Morning: Help in classrooms for our first Science Olympics. Student teams will perform mini-experiments. As a team (students K – 4 and students 5 – 8) travel from room to room as scientific investigators. We will need many parents to help plan, gather materials, and run the activities during the morning. There will be a meeting early in January to plan and organize the event. *If you are interested in being part of this exciting event, please call Marge Trzyzewski at 816-8684 or email her at rst02@hotmail.com.*
- Afternoon: Ice Skating on Riley Street or activities at the Boys and Girls Club and hot chocolate later in the cafeteria

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