

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

WE INVITE OUR STUDENTS TO ACHIEVE A SOLID ACADEMIC FOUNDATION, ENLIVENED BY THE GOSPEL,
THAT WILL ENABLE THEM TO BECOME PROBLEM-SOLVERS, COMMUNICATORS, AND CARETAKERS OF THE WORLD.



JANUARY FAMILY BULLETIN



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Dear Parents,

January is a very exciting month for all of us at Saint Clement School, culminating with Catholic Schools Week from **Sunday, January 29th – Friday, February 3rd**. This year's theme is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Academics. Service." We will be sending home a tentative schedule of activities next week and **truly hope that every family will make an honest effort to join us for the Catholic Schools Week Mass at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday the 29th**. Students will be practicing for this Mass with the expectation that everyone will be there. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

May God continue to bless you and your family throughout the New Year,

Mr. Jensen

Faith. Academics. Service.

Catholic Schools

Saint Clement Catholic Schools Week Celebration
January 29th – February 3rd, 2012

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Christmas Program – Thank you to Ms. Karsten and all of our students for a wonderful Christmas program. Also, thank you to all of you who attended with friends and relatives to make this such a special event for everyone. We were very impressed with the large turn-out and look forward to seeing you all again for our Spring Program on Friday, March 4th at 6:30 p.m. Special thanks go out to Duane Leaser for videotaping the performance and creating the wonderful DVD for families to purchase. Please contact the school office if you would still like to purchase one of these treasured keepsakes.

Third Quarter Lunch Fees – Third quarter lunch fees are now due. Please make checks payable to Saint Clement Hot Lunch. Regular lunch fees are **\$90.00** and reduced lunch fees are **\$18.00**. Thank you for taking care of this and any past due fees as soon as possible!

Knights of Columbus Poster Contest Winners – We would like to congratulate the following students for their winning entries in the Knights of Columbus “True Meaning of Christmas” Poster Contest:

Grade 1:	1) Robert Winter	2) Adam Janssen	3) Moses Simon
Grade 2:	1) Rianna Straka	2) Taylor Schneider	3) Meg Walker
Grade 3:	1) Alexia Winter	2) Paige Pluemer	3) Katie Doll
Grade 4:	1) Alexa Weber	2) Erin Walker	3) Brooke Schwab
Grade 5:	1) Jared Beesecker	2) Amberielle Schwab	3) Cole Zenz
Grade 6:	1) Austin Mumm	2) Cara Schwantes	3) Shayanne Bainbridge

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest – The local K.C. Free Throw Contest will be held on Saturday, January 14th starting at 10:00 a.m. (Warm-ups will begin at 9:00) in the Saint Clement School Gymnasium. All ages are welcome, however only students ages 10-14 as of Jan 1st, 2012 will be eligible to go on to the next level of competition.

Basketball News – The final three regular season league games of the season will be played on January 8th at Cassville, January 15th here against Dodgeville, and January 22nd at Potosi. We will also be participating in a tournament at Kieler on the weekend of January 28th - 29th. The League Tournament will be held at Potosi on the weekends of February 4th - 5th and 11th - 12th.

School Apparel – We are placing a "Last Chance" order for Saint Clement School apparel, including t-shirts, sweatshirts, and our new full-zip fleeces. Order forms have been sent home to each family and are due back to school by this coming Monday, January 9th. Please call the school office if you have any questions. These items make great gifts and are a wonderful way to advertise our school pride!

Talent Show – This year's talent show will be held on **Tuesday, January 31st** at 12:30 p.m. following our Catholic Schools Week Family Luncheon. All students are encouraged to participate and should sign up with their classroom teachers by **Friday, January 20th** if they would like to try out. Start planning now as auditions will be held on **Wednesday, January 25th** during the lunch hour and after school. Please indicate when signing up if you would prefer to audition during the lunch hour or after school. Thank you to Amy Dreckman, Sue McLean, and Amara Hoffman for organizing this year's event. We also welcome any other parents that would like to help out with auditions and the talent show.

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 16th @ 6:30 P.M.

**EARLY RELEASE @ 11:30 ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 19TH
NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 20TH**

A Special Note To Those Who Volunteer at Saint Clement School – If you have not attended a Protecting God’s Children session in the past and you volunteer with our kids in any way, such as chaperones, drivers, playground duty, etc. you do need to attend one of these very important and pertinent informational sessions. The next session at Saint Clement has been scheduled for Monday, March 7th at 6:30 p.m. To attend, please contact Bill Manthe at 723-4990 as registration needs to be done on-line via the PGC website. Thank you!

Student Masses – Father Bill plans to hold Mass for all students on Wednesday mornings at 8:15. On the two upcoming Wednesdays that Father will be gone, Mass has been moved to Monday mornings. Please see the attached mass schedule for upcoming Masses through Ash Wednesday:

All School Masses:

Monday, January 9 th	Baptism of the Lord	Grade 6
Wednesday, January 18 th	Christian Unity	Grade 5
Monday, January 23 rd	Peace and Justice	Grade 4
Sunday, January 29 th	Catholic Schools Week Mass	All
Wednesday, February 8 th	Weekday	Grade 3
Wednesday, February 15 th	Weekday	Grade 2
Wednesday, February 22 nd	Ash Wednesday	Staff

Winter Band Concert – There will be a Winter Band Concert for Lancer and Cadet Band members and their families on **Tuesday, January 17th**. This will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Hillary Auditorium. Representing Saint Clement School in this concert will be: Devany Dreckman, Brandon Hoffman, Austin Mumm, Alex Schildgen, Evan Straka, Elizabeth Walker, and Shawn Zenz.

Hunter’s Safety – Classes will be held for anyone age 10 and up, including parents that would like to receive their hunter’s safety certification. These classes will be held on Saturday afternoons from 1:00-4:00 starting January 7, 2012 in the Winskill Elementary School Presentation Room. No pre-registration is necessary. For more information please call Mr. Ron Leeser at 723-4278.

Thank You from New Beginnings Shelter – Saint Clement School has received “Thank You” cards from Sister Carol and Sister Charla for our Thanksgiving offering. They wrote: “Dear Boys and Girls and Teachers at our Most Favorite School, Thank you for being the “Bell Ringers” for our shelter safe home. You filled our van and our hearts. Many moms and their children will be happy because of all your help. - Sisters Carol and Charla.”

Aluminum Can Collection – Thanks to everyone who bought in aluminum cans for last month’s collection. As a result of your efforts we recently received a check for **\$156.00** from Alternative Recycling! This month’s Can Collection will be held on **Thursday, January 19th**. If you need to get your cans out of the house or garage following the holidays, please deposit them behind the school in the can depository by the dumpster.

Boxtops Pay Off – Saint Clement School recently received a check from the General Mills “Boxtops for Education” in the amount of **\$339.30** and we are expecting another check for **\$625.90**! Thank you to all who have been saving these coupons and turning them into school! We hope to use this money towards the purchase of Elmo document cameras and other classrooms items in the near future.

Other Collections – Just a reminder...Campbell’s product labels (with bar codes), General Mills “Boxtops for Education” coupons, Swiss Valley milk and juice bottle tops, and Kwik Trip Milk Moola milk and juice jug caps and bag tops can all be saved to support our school. Thank you for your support!!!

**SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL BLOOD DRIVE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH FROM 11:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.**

FAMILY LUNCHEON & TALENT SHOW

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31ST

(FAMILY LUNCHEON @ 11:15 A.M. / TALENT SHOW @ 12:30 P.M.)

Home & School News from Cari – Happy New Year one and all. Hope that 2012 will be a good year for all. Best wishes on your journeys. Please mark your calendars for the next HOME and SCHOOL MEETING which will be held on **Monday, January 16th, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.** in the school cafeteria. As previously announced we will be discussing upcoming fund raiser changes so, please attend if you have ideas or questions. We always need parents' participation with our school activities. Attending Home and School meetings is the easiest way to find out how you can help your school and the kids! Upcoming events:

- **Catholic Schools Week — January 29th - February 3rd**
 - All school mass at 10:30 a.m. on January 29 — Watch for a note on the week's activities
- **Saint Clement Blood Drive — Friday, February 17th from 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
 - We need parents' help with this so, PLEASE CALL if you can help a couple of hours that day.
- **Teacher Appreciation Lunch is February 2nd**
- **Pizza Sale Fundraiser will begin March 5th**

Thanks one and all, Cari

Scrip Notes – Thanks to everyone that used Scrip and helped in any way to keep the basket full and sales going during the holiday season. The 1% tuition reduction figures through December 25th will be available soon. If you are interested in your amount please give Carla a call in the office. **We are also excited to announce that Take 2 Restaurant has joined SCRIP with \$10 cards and Millenium Theater is now available in \$10 and \$20 denominations!** Thank you for your support and please continue to use Scrip for all of your shopping needs!

January Student Spotlight...Poetry by Sixth Grade Student, Brandon Hoffman:

FREE VERSE

The cat crept quietly.
The stealthy sleuth stalking its prey...
a big fat sparrow.
But too late, as the sparrow swoops away,
the cat has lost its lunch.
The defeated cat walks away with his head down so,
he doesn't see the ten sparrows on the ground eating worms.
But, the cat comes inside the warm house where he gets fed
a nice warm platter of milk.

HAIKU

Spring season of life
A new day comes and rain falls
Dew on the grass settles

Snow falls like a sheet
Each flake unique by itself
The still winter scene

Golden brown leaves fall
Mother Earth ready for winter
And the cool breeze blows

January Dates to Remember:

7 th	- First Reconciliation Retreat – 9:00 a.m.	19 th	- Aluminum Can Collection Day
8 th	- Basketball @ Cassville	19 th	- Early Release – 11:30 a.m. (No Lunch)
9 th -13 th	- Vocations Awareness Week	20 th	- No School – Teacher In-service
11 th	- Geography Bee – 1:30 p.m.	14 th	- KC Free Throw Competition – 9:00 a.m.
13 th	- End of Second Quarter	22 nd	- Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast
15 th	- Basketball Home vs. Dodgeville	22 nd	- Basketball @ Potosi
16 th	- Home & School Meeting – 6:30 p.m.	25 th	- Talent Show Auditions – 11:30 or 3:15
17 th	- Winter Cadet Band Concert – 7:30 p.m.	29 th	- Catholic Schools Week Mass – 10:30 a.m.