



December 14, 2017

Dear Families,

Advent continues....



O God,
bless our school family and all its members and friends;
bind us together by your love.
Give us kindness and patience to support each other;
and wisdom in all we do.
Let the gift of your peace come into our hearts and remain with us.
May we rejoice in your blessings for all our days.
Amen.



Preparing our hearts for Jesus during Advent!
Kindergarten students prepare a manger
filled with straw of good deeds as we wait for baby Jesus!

The **Christmas Concert is tonight!** Students are to be in their full-dress uniforms unless otherwise directed by Mrs. McCarl. The school doors will open at 6:30 pm for students to enter and go to their assigned music rooms. Students may be picked-up at their classrooms after the concert.

Have a wonderful Christmas holiday! School resumes on January 3, 2018!

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.
With my love and prayers,
Wanda

What's happening?

December 14
Christmas Concert, 7 pm
The school doors will open at 6:30 pm for students to enter and go to their assigned music rooms. If you arrive early, students need to stay with parents until the school doors are open. Parents will need to pick up students at the classrooms after the concert.

December 15
Christmas Prayer Service, 11 am
Noon Dismissal

**December 18-January 2, 2018
Christmas Holiday Break**

**January 3, 2018
School Resumes
High school recommendation forms are due.**

January 4
School Commission, 7 pm

January 5
High School Recommendation Day
School for students in preschool to grade 4.
No school for students in grades 5-8.

Mission
We are a faith-filled Catholic school that promotes academic achievement and spiritual development for our students and families. This is reflected through worship, learning, support of each other, and service to the community.



St. Vincent de Paul

Art Class with Mrs. Hawkins!

January 9/10—February 27/28

Tuesday class is for students who took the Tuesday class earlier this year and any new students. Students will learn to draw faces, figures, and animals.

Wednesday class is for students in grades 5-8. Students will do a cartooning unit and drawing with pencil/ink figures or animals.

Cost: \$90
Due by first day of class.

I would like to sign up my child for the art class.
 _____ Tuesday _____ Wednesday

Student Name _____

My check is attached.

Parent Association Meetings

January 18

February 7 or 8
State of the School Meeting
Attendance required. Contracts for 2018-19 will be handed out at the meeting.

March 8



Inclement Weather Reminders

If we have inclement weather, look for a school text message, check the school website, www.stvs.org, or KING, KOMO, or KIRO TV websites for information.

When we have a late start:
 *School will begin at 10:30 that morning.
 *There is no pre-k class that day.
 *All students must bring their lunch, as there is no guarantee that lunches can be delivered on late start days.

Head Lice

We had a case of head lice reported last week. You might want to check your child.

Students do not need to miss school once they are treated for head lice.

Two of our 8th grade students organized a fundraising group, Surprising Hope, to collect unopened gifts and gift cards so that homeless teens can enjoy and celebrate their birthdays. We are so proud of these girls for their work on this project. Please check out their flier in the envelope.



Hat and Mitten Drive

Thank to our generous families, the kindergarten, prek, and preschool classrooms collected 142 hats and 261 pairs of mittens and gloves. These will warm many little ones in our community!

Congratulations to our speech team at the Bishop Blanchet tournament!

Congratulations to our traveling Speech team at the Bishop Blanchet High School tournament last Saturday: Alex Milsten, Amanda Trausch, Anne Marie Zink, Antonia Dang, Bridget Woodruff, Bryce Lyons, Crystal Thomsen, Deke Sanders, Elisabeth Ducusin, Julia Yi, Mac Dang, Myka Truss.

Blanchet is the largest Catholic middle school speech tournament we compete in with 19 schools and hundreds of kids.

Myka Truss and Amanda Trausch were in the top five (5) FINALISTS in the senior DUO INTERPRETATION competition. Myka Truss was voted by our coaches as *our team's most inspirational speaker*.

