



STAR NEWS

FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE DE LA SALLE SCHOOL

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“In the light of Faith you see things quite differently.”

Saint John Baptist De La Salle

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Parent or Guardian,

I hope that you are staying warm during this cold spell and pray that the holidays brought you and your family great joy, love, and togetherness. I would like to thank all parents that attended or participated in all of the holiday festivities. It was great to see so many smiles on the faces of both the parents and students at the Hot Cocoa and Book Night, Advent Prayer Service, and the International Luncheon. Again, thank you to all our families who contributed to this amazing and delicious feast. Our Advent collection was very successful and I was very proud that the boys raised almost \$900 to send to our Lasallian school in Port-au-Prince Haiti. For me it was a great way to enter into the Christmas season.

We will soon be recruiting our next group of fifth graders, the Class of 2022. Coming soon in the Wednesday Folder will be a form you can use to sign up to help me when I visit parishes to speak about our school. ***Before we begin the public phase of our recruiting I invite you to let people you know who currently have a son in the fourth grade that it is time to apply for admission to The De La Salle School. Since the number of available seats is limited I want to be sure that if you have a son, a family member, or a friend interested in enrolling a young man in our fifth grade in September they should act now and call the school at 516-379-8660.***

On behalf of all the faculty and staff, thank you to all who sent us gifts this Christmas and we wish a Happy New Year to all of our De La Salle School family! As we begin a new year and chapter in our life, I pray that each of our families continue to be blessed and that 2018 be a year of peace, happiness and health.

Sincerely,

William L. Gault
Executive Director

Dear Parent/Guardian,

A Very Happy and Blessed New Year! The Advent Season at TDLSS was a special time filled with joyous festivities, friends and family.

The Advent Prayer Service was an early Christmas gift to all who attended. Mrs. Rainone and the boys lead us in a beautiful and moving Advent Prayer Service, touching the hearts of all. It definitely put everyone in the holiday spirit, reminding us of the true meaning of Christmas.

The International Christmas Luncheon was a wonderful celebration of all our students' heritages. Mr. Donodeo and the 8th grade students were a tremendous help at the luncheon. They did a great job setting up, serving and cleaning up after the luncheon. A huge thank you to the families who contributed to this event. The students, alumni and faculty were treated to a tasty and delectable feast, with a wide variety of food dishes and desserts to choose from.

The ringing of the new year signals the school year's half way mark, which means that it's time for Mid-term exams for our 7th and 8th grade students. The students will be tested on what they have learned from the beginning of the year to now. The teachers will be handing out exam reviews to the students so that they can study at home for their Mid-term exams, in addition to doing extensive review in the classroom. Over the next few weeks, your child should study the exam reviews each night to prepare for their exams. I recommend sitting with your son and setting up a homework/study schedule the he should follow. An exam schedule will be sent home in the Wednesday Folder.

As we begin the new calendar year let us resolve to make this year better than ever through sincere prayer and loving service to others. On behalf of our teachers and staff, I want to say thank you to all who gifted us this Christmas season. We are most grateful for your kindness and generosity and pray that you too may be blessed during 2018.

God Bless,

Mrs. Becker
Principal

CONGRATULATIONS GENTLEMEN

The following students were honored as Gentlemen of the Week during the month of December: Louis Jimenez '18, Eric Rodriguez '20 and Brian Hernandez '21

IMPORTANT DATES

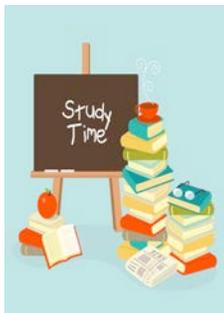


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Our International Luncheon was spectacular! Because of your generosity we had an abundance of delicious food to enjoy as we celebrated Christmas as a school community.



Mid-year exams for 7th and 8th graders begin **Thursday, 11 January** and continue through **Monday, 22 January**. Be sure your son does some extra studying, gets sufficient rest, and eats a good breakfast so he will do his best on these tests beginning next week.



There is no school on **Monday, 15 January** as we honor the memory and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.



Dismissal on **Friday, 19 January** is at 11:30 AM to allow the teachers to participate in a Faculty meeting. Dismissal on **Thursday, 25 January** is at 11:30 AM and school will be closed on **Friday, 26 January** in order for the staff to participate in a Lasallian Conference.

WINTER WEATHER REMINDER



If it is necessary to cancel school or delay the opening time because of bad weather, you will receive a REMIND text message from us informing you of any change in our schedule. You can also check our website, www.DeLaSalleSchool.org.



\$\$\$ REMINDER \$\$\$

Your payment of your share of your son's tuition for February is due this Friday, 5 January. Do not fall behind in meeting this obligation. All payments for September through February should have been received by the office and be up to date no later than Friday. Extended day payments should also be up to date. Contact Mr. Gault if you wish to discuss special arrangements.



Catholic Schools Week begins **Sunday, 29 January**. We will publicly start recruiting our next group of fifth graders at that time. However, if you have a family member who is currently in fourth grade and you would like him to apply for our school, call Mrs. Padilla to request an application starting **NOW**.



Parent-Teacher Conferences are on **Thursday, 1 February** from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM and on **Friday, 3 February** from 1 PM until 2:15 PM. Each student is expected to come with at least one parent to pick up his report card. There is no Extended Day on **Thursday, 1 February**.



Dismissal is at 11:30 AM on **Friday, 2 February** to allow for Parent-Teacher Conferences.

**Brr!
It's cold!**



If your son needs any items of winter clothing please let Mr. Gault or Mrs. Becker know. We have some resources we can tap into!



Feast of the Three Kings