



STAR NEWS

FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE DE LA SALLE SCHOOL

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*"In all things I shall adore the will
of God my regard*

-Saint John Baptist de La Salle



Dear Parent or Guardian,

This is Catholic Schools Week, a national celebration of the presence and success of Catholic Schools in our society. The De La Salle School is one of those success stories. We are happy to announce that all of our eighth grade class has been accepted into a Catholic High School, with 5 enrolling at Kellenberg, 3 at Holy Trinity, 1 at Chaminade and 1 at Regis. Congratulations to the Class of 2017 on a job well done.

As you know, we are now looking for our next class of fifth graders. The public phase of our recruiting effort began this past weekend with presentations at all the Masses at Holy Redeemer Church. Thanks to those who assisted me during those services, and a special thank you to Mr. Vera and Mrs. Padilla for their efforts. I am happy to report that we are doing very well recruiting fifth graders for next year's incoming class. If you know someone who is interested in enrolling their son please encourage them to act promptly. We only have 18 places open and we have enough interest to fill more than half of them already!

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. Know that you and your family have a place in my prayers.

William L. Gault
Executive Director

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I look forward to seeing you at Parent-Teacher Conferences tomorrow, Thursday February 2 or Friday February 3. Your attendance at these conferences demonstrates to your son how important his education is to you. I request that you limit your time with each teacher to 5 minutes to accommodate all of the families who are present. If you feel that you need additional time please make an appointment to come back and see the teacher at another time.

In last week's Wednesday Folder I sent you a letter about nutrition. More and more frequently the students are coming to school without eating breakfast. If they arrive before 7:50 AM we do offer cereal and milk. If your son does not eat cereal or if he arrives after 7:50 AM we do not provide any other food. Please see that he gets up early enough to have breakfast at home. In addition, the number of students who are requesting lunch is on the increase. Many of them ask more than once during the week. Again, we do not have a cafeteria. The most we can give them is cereal and milk. If your family is struggling to provide food for your children, please let us know and we will put you in touch with Parish Outreach.

Please remember that if your son takes advantage of the bus transportation provided by the public school that you must request this service for **each** of your son's from your public school district by **APRIL 1, 2017**. We cannot and do not do this for you. It must be done by the student's parent/guardian.

As always thank you for your support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Boniello
Principal

Parent-Teacher Conferences are tomorrow
Thursday, 2 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, 2 February**.



IMPORTANT DATES



Our annual Mother-Son Valentine's Dance is **Friday, 10 February** from 6:00 PM until 8:15 PM. Each student is invited to attend with an adult female who is significant in his life as his guest.

Winter recess begins with dismissal is at 11:30 AM on **Friday, 17 February**. School reopens on **Monday, 27 February**.

There will be an 1130 dismissal on **Friday, 17 February** to allow teachers time to gather for a faculty meeting.

Lent begins on **Wednesday, 1 March**. Talk with your son about how to make this holy season special. Please join us at the 12:10 mass.



WHO WAS SAN MIGUEL?

San Miguel Febres Cordero was born in Cuenca, Ecuador in 1854. Crippled from birth, he had to overcome family opposition to realize his vocation to be a lay religious, the first native of Ecuador to join the Brothers of the Christian Schools.

Brother Miguel was a gifted teacher from the start and a diligent student. When he was almost 20 years old, he published the first of his many books, a Spanish grammar that soon became a standard text. In time his research and publications in the field of literature and linguistics put him in touch with scholars all over the world and he was granted membership in the National Academies of Ecuador and Spain. Despite high academic honors, teaching remained his first priority, especially his classes in religion and for the children he prepared for first communion. His students admired his simplicity, his directness, his concern for them, and the intensity of his devotion to the Sacred Heart and the Virgin Mary. He died in Spain in 1910 and his feast day is 9 February.

San Miguel, pray for us

CONGRATULATIONS GENTLEMEN

The following students were honored as Gentlemen of the Week during the month of January: **Ajani Abreu '18; Jorge Canas '17 and Brendon McCalla '18.**

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

Your payment of your share of your son's tuition for March is due this Friday, 3 February. Do not fall behind in meeting this obligation. All payments for September through March 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.

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

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.

