



STAR NEWS

FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE DE LA SALLE SCHOOL

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“God’s word is powerful in touching hearts.”

Saint John Baptist De La Salle

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Parent or Guardian,

I hope 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 impressed that the boys raised over \$700 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 2021. 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 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.**

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 2017 be a year of peace, happiness and health.

Sincerely,

William L. Gault
Executive Director

Dear Parent or Guardian,

After an extended Christmas vacation it is very important to reestablish a “work” schedule with your son. A good night’s sleep, a nutritious breakfast, a routine for homework and studying are, all-important for his continued success here at school.

In the last Wednesday Folder you received your son’s Progress Report that gave you a good sense of the areas where he is successful and those where he needs to apply more effort. Midyear exams for 7th and 8th grade begin on 12 January and will continue through 20 January. The teachers are reviewing with the students. Please see that your son is studying at home. These exams will be part of his second quarterfinal grade. He should be reviewing his work each night. Midyear exams are given to 5th and 6th graders at the teacher’s discretion. However, those students should also be establishing a daily study routine also.

As always I am available to assist you at all times. Please feel free to call the office (516-379-8660) if you have any questions.

May you have a peaceful and blessed new year.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Boniello
Principal

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

Your payment of your share of your son’s tuition for February is due this Friday, 6 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.

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CONGRATULATIONS GENTLEMEN

The following students were honored as Gentlemen of the Week during the month of December: **Brayan Espinal ‘20, Daniel Rosario ‘17 and Emil Figueroa ‘18**

IMPORTANT DATES



Mid-year exams for 7th and 8th graders begin **Thursday, 12 January** and continue through **Friday, 20 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 next week.

There is no school on **Monday, 16 January** as we honor the memory and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.



Dismissal on **Friday, 27 January** is at 11:30 AM to allow the teachers to participate in a Faculty meeting.

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, 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**.

Dismissal is at 11:30 AM on **Friday, 3 February** to allow for Parent-Teacher Conferences.

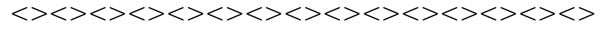


Feast of the Three Kings



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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.



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.

It is important to be prepared for the cold weather. The following website is a great checklist to be sure you are prepared, www.redcross.org/prepare/disaster/winter-storm.



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!