St. Aloysius Happy House Learning Center

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Dear Parents,

I hope and pray that you all had a happy and peaceful Thanksgiving celebration. I want to begin this December Newsletter by thanking all of you that gave us monetary donations, gift cards, food and delicious desserts. Everything was deeply appreciated by all of us, and we ask Almighty God to bless you and reward you as only He can do.

Christmas Show and Pageant

As many of you know, every year at St. Aloysius we prepare a Christmas show for the parents and relatives of our students. This is one of the most special activities of the school year. <u>This year this event will be reserved only for the moms and dads of our students.</u> If for any reason, either mom or dad can't make it, another relative may take the place.

The schedule for the Christmas Shows is as follows:

Thursday, December 15th

10:00 a.m. Sr. Ana Maria's 3-year-old Class (This day children will report to school at 9:00 a.m.)

Friday, December 16th

9:30 a.m. Sr. Nancy's Pre-kg Class (Children will report to school at 8:45 a.m.)

Sister Ana María's 3-year-old Class and Sr. Nancy's Pre-kg Class will be dismissed after the Christmas Show and Pageant.

The 2-year-old Class does not have a Christmas Show.

The dress code for the Christmas Show is as follows:

Girls:

Red dress, red, black, or white stockings and black shoes

Boys:

White long-sleeved shirt, black pants, red bow or tie, black socks and black shoes

ALL CHILDREN NEED TO BRING A SANTA HAT FOR THE CHRISTMAS SHOW.

Christmas Party

The Christmas party for Nursery and Pre-kg classes will take place on Wednesday, December 7th. Please send a present for your child before this date with his/her name clearly printed on it and <u>let</u> <u>it be a real surprise</u> for the children. Santa will distribute these presents at the party. The class mothers will contact you about the goodies you can send to celebrate this happy event in School.

Christmas Recess

The 2-year-old class begins Christmas Recess on Thursday, December 15th.

The 3-year-old class begins Christmas Recess on Friday, December 16th.

The Pre-kindergarten class begins Christmas Recess on Monday, December 19th.

Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 3rd for all the children.

<u>Christmas Gift Shoppe</u> - Our School Gift Shop will open until December 14th. I am sure that you will find some spiritual gift for your family and friends in our Shop. Children can bring money to buy in our little store.

Other Important Information

- 1. School will be closed on Thursday, December 8, for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation in the Catholic Church.
- 2. When Wappingers Central School District has a 2 hour delay, our school opens at 10:00 a.m. When this happens, there are three options for the children that come only half days:
- a. Come at 10:00 and leave at 11:30, regular dismissal
- b. Come at 10:00 and stay until 3:00 p.m. (In this case children need to bring a lunch and a snack.)
- c. Stay home
- 3. In these days, many children have been coming sick to school. We will appreciate greatly, that if your child is coughing frequently, please keep him/her home. In that way he/she will be able to get better, and the rest of the children will not get sick.

May Almighty God grant us the grace to prepare for the coming of our Savior with prayers, good works, and love of neighbor. Rest assured of our prayers for you and for your families. Remember to emphasize in your children, to share their goods with the needy, and that the most important Christmas's gift is Jesus. May you have a blessed, Merry Christmas, and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Yours in Christ Jesus,

Sr. Marta González, OBT