



SETON NEWS

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Academy

December 2011

A Message From The Principal

Dear Parents –

I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

The first trimester will end this week. We will have our Parent/Teacher Conferences on December 7th and 8th. If your child has done well, I congratulate your child and you for a great beginning. If your child could have done better, it's a new trimester!

Our Christmas Concert & Play will be held on Saturday, December 10th at Holy Spirit Parish Church. The show will include each class singing some Christmas favorites as well as a short play titled "Angels Aware." The Christmas Social will be held immediately following in the Church Hall. Join us for a bite to eat, games and prizes to win. Our ever popular pig race will be held at 2:00 p.m.

During this season of Advent we will be saying this prayer each morning to remind us to prepare ourselves for Jesus' birth.

Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help us to hear His words and repent of our sins, so that we may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus.

God Bless

Congratulations to the following students who are "Artists of the Month" for November –

Grade 1 Kyleigh Arenas	Grade 2 Meleny Mercado	Grade 3 Isabelle Vera
Grade 4 Matthew Elderkin	Grade 5 Kevin Johnson	Grade 6 Isaias Argueta
Grade 7 Jarod Tavares	Grade 8 Randy Agudelo	



Student Council News

Our students have voted. The following students were voted into our Student Council for the 2011-2012 Academic School Year.

- President—Mackenzie DeFaria—Grade 8
- Vice President—Haleigh Arenas—Grade 6
- Secretary—Gabriella DeFaria—Grade 6
- Treasurer—Jarell Gomes—Grade 7

Classroom representatives are:

- Natasha Brown & Jacob Bourski Grade 8
- Rose Yulfo & Madison Bator Grade 7
- Mikayla Bourski & Martin Dupuy Grade 6

Congratulations to them all!!

Tardy to school?

Please note that there have been a number of children who are coming to school tardy. It is important to get your child/ren to school on time. Our school day begins at 8:00 a.m. with classes starting promptly at 8:15 a.m. During this 15 minute timeframe students are getting their things in order and getting directions for the day. It is disruptive to the classroom when students are tardy. There are a number of our PreK students who are getting to class late. Please remember that our PreK classrooms are on the first floor and if students arrive during our morning prayer/pledge the noise will carry over our intercom system. Any student that is tardy, including PreK, should report to the main office for a late pass. It is a good to teach our children about timeliness. Please get them to school on time.

Also, any child in grades 2-8 will be issued an after school detention if they are tardy more than once a week. Detentions will be issued on a Friday for the following week.

Gift Card Program — In order to get your gift card orders in time for Christmas, all orders are due on Monday, December 19th. The program will resume after the Christmas break.

Thank you for your support of this program.



Christmas Elf Shop

Our Christmas Elf Shop will be held again this year from Monday, December 12th through Wednesday, December 14th. Children will have the opportunity to shop for their family and friends Christmas presents. Each classroom will visit the Elf Shop during a scheduled time. Please note that it will make your child's shopping easier if they have a "shopping list" of who they are looking to buy a gift for. Items will range in price from \$1.00–\$10.00. Watch your child's backpack for their scheduled shopping day. Don't forget to place their money in an envelope with their name on it in case the envelope is lost. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP THE STUDENTS WITH THEIR SHOPPING. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUT, PLEASE CONTACT MRS. FITZGIBBONS.**



School Cancellation Policy

In the event of a delayed opening or school closure due to snow, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Academy will follow the Central Falls School Department's decision—unless otherwise noted. Notification is listed on WPRO (630AM/92FM), Lite Rock 105, and WJAR-TV (Channel 10). Please note that if school has been cancelled, all afterschool activities are also cancelled. In the event of an early dismissal, notice will also be listed on the above stations. Any student who needs to contact a parent will be allowed to do so to the best of the Academy's ability.

FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment Financial Aid

FACTS Grant and Aid Assessment will soon be conducting the financial aid process for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Academy for the upcoming 2012-2013 academic school year. Financial aid information will be going home the week of December 19th. Families who are applying for financial aid must complete an application and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS by February 14, 2012. Applying on-line is the fastest and most direct method of submitting your application. The following information is required in order for FACTS to process your application.



- Completed form (hard copy or on-line application)
- Payment of the \$25.00 application fee
- Copies of all the required 2010 tax forms including all supporting tax schedules
- Copies of all your current W2 forms and tax documents for 2011 for applicant and co-applicant
- Copies of supporting documentation for Social Security income, welfare, child support, food stamps, worker's compensation and TANF

If you have any questions or concerns about the application process you may speak directly with a FACTS Customer Service Representative.

Please note that in order for you to receive either parish aid or school aid you must still apply for financial aid through FACTS. You will not be considered for any form of aid unless you file a formal application with FACTS.

Christmas Social and Bazaar

Our Christmas Social and Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 10th from 12:00-6:00 p.m. in St. Matthew's Church Hall. There will be crafts, games, baked goods, a penny social raffle, general store and much more. You will also have the opportunity to take chances to win the student's classroom baskets that they have put together. Please join us for a fun filled day! Also, anyone interested in volunteering or donating a gift, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Don't forget that our "Pig Race" will take place at 2:00 p.m. Come watch and cheer on your classroom pig!





Christmas Concert & Play

Join us on Saturday, December 10th at 11:00 a.m. for our Christmas Concert and Play. This year our students will be singing holiday songs as well as presenting "Angels Aware." Students have been practicing and working hard on their songs and presentation. The show will take place in Holy Spirit Parish church.



Feinstein Food Drive

A big "THANK YOU" to all who donated items for our food drive. The students gathered over 1,000 food items this year! The items were all donated to Holy Spirit Parish to use in their holiday food baskets. The items left over will be used to stock their food pantry. Thank you to our Student



REMINDER!!!

There will be a half day of school on Friday, December 23rd. Dismissal will be at 11:30 a.m. Also, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Academy will be closed for the Christmas and New Year holiday from Monday, December 26th through Monday, January 2nd. School resumes on Tuesday, January 3, 2012!

Have a wonderful holiday season!!!