



December 10, 2020

Dear Parents,

Excitement in the building continues to grow as we prepare for the birth of Jesus. The 8th grade toy collection for children in the Mascoutah area continues until December 17. If you would like to donate a toy, please send it in to school with your children. Thank you to all who have already donated a toy!

As my email from Tuesday (12/8) stated, the Mascoutah School District will move to total remote learning next week. Holy Childhood of Jesus School will continue with in-person learning all next week. Christmas break begins next Friday, December 18 at 11:30. There is **NO BUS SERVICE NEXT WEEK**. Due to early dismissal on Friday, there is **no after school care on Friday**.

The first semester ends next Friday, December 18. Please check your child's/children's grades and your financial account. All families paying tuition monthly should have already made their 6th payment (4th for preschool) by November 30. If you have fallen behind in payments, now is the time to get caught up before the end of the semester. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for the tuition policy.

Please continue to register your child using the Miinehealth app daily. Children who are not registered through Miinehealth will need to go through the COVID screening with me before entering the building which slows down the carpool line. As we move into cold and flu season on top of COVID, students are coming to the office with complaints and symptoms. They will be sent home. We are erring on the side of caution in all cases for their return to school.

If you plan to travel during the Christmas break, or attend large gatherings, please self-quarantine for 14 days before returning to school. Classes resume on January 4 however, if you need to quarantine longer than that date, please email me. Our goal is to keep every person in the building (students, teachers, and staff) as safe as possible. Please do your part to help us meet this goal!

Thank you to all who have so generously donated to Mary's Meals. Your generosity is a blessing to the children who will receive nutritious meals! It costs only \$21 to feed a child for a year in some of these very poor countries. Holy Childhood School families, faculty and staff donated \$1,134.00 to Mary's Meals. Thank you for your generosity.

If you shop on Amazon, please list Holy Childhood in Amazon Smile as your preferred recipient. We received \$77.89 last month from Amazon Smile. Thank you to all who have helped add to this total!

If your child received a Six Flags ticket last spring from the Read to Succeed Program and you were unable to use the ticket, they will be valid until August 31, 2021.

Blessings,

Claudia J. Dougherty, M.A., Ed.S.
Principal

Calendar:

Friday, Dec. 18	Out of Uniform Day – wear Christmas colors or Christmas shirts and jeans End of 2 nd quarter Christmas Break begins – 11:30 dismissal
Friday, Dec. 25	Christmas Blessings!
Friday, Jan. 1	Happy New Year!
Monday, Jan. 4	Classes resume

The 8th grade class is helping the Moose Lodge collect toys for local families from December 7 – 17. Please bring your donation of a NEW unwrapped toy to school, ages toddler to teen. Thank you for your support!