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Dear Parents:

On behalf of the St. Cecilia School faculty and staff, I would like to express our gratitude for your kindness and generosity during this Christmas season. We were blessed with a variety of treats, gifts, and cards and are truly thankful! Your thoughtful giving started off our Christmas in a wonderful fashion and set the tone for a great holiday break.

We have been fortunate that we have avoided bad winter weather (thus far), but as January progresses, I am sure that it is just around the corner. Please keep in mind that we do go outside for recess and gym on cold days, so please make sure your children are dressed accordingly. They must wear a winter coat in order to play outside when the temperatures are in the 30's, and gloves, hats, and scarves are recommended as well. Please remember that girls are permitted and encouraged to wear tights under their skirts/jumpers. If they don't have tights, they are welcome to bring a pair of sweatpants to slip on to cover their legs during recess.

God Bless!

Sincerely,
Mr. Detzel

Drama Club "Needs List" - Our Drama Club is in need of the following items for our annual production: "The Enchantment of Beauty and the Beast." If you have any items to share with us please let know, lkohl@stcindependence.org

Immediate needs: large pieces of cardboard (at least 4 x 4 feet), 2 pieces of ¼ inch plywood 4 x 4 feet.

Items needed January 16, 2018: wooden bench four feet long, 3 wooden stools about 1.5 feet tall, 4 foot long wooden table, small wooden end table, 3 wooden table chairs, silver pitcher, gauntlet gloves, wooden candle holders, hunting horn.

We Need Your Help! - St. Cecilia School will be hosting the Middle Grades Regional Governor's Cup Competition this year, and we need parent help to make this huge undertaking successful. Since we will be welcoming students, coaches, and officials from 14 area schools to our building on Saturday, February 3rd, we will need many volunteers. There are many different ways you can help. **Please see the attached form, complete it, and return it to school.** *No experience is needed to help out. Directions will be provided.* All of the responsibilities are for Saturday, February 3rd, but arrangements can be made for dropping off food and drinks on Friday, February 2nd. We appreciate your help.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wuestefeld

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New Kentucky Immunization Requirements for Elementary/Middle School Entry -

A recent amendment to the Kentucky Administrative Regulation on the immunization schedules for attending school added new immunization requirements for the school year beginning on or after July 1, 2018.

- Effective July 1, 2018, ***all*** students in kindergarten through twelfth grade must show proof of having received two doses of Hepatitis A vaccine to attend school.
- To meet this requirement, a ***current*** Certificate of Immunization Status must be provided to the school showing the dates your child received the two doses of Hepatitis A vaccine. If your child has already received two doses of Hepatitis A vaccine, he or she will not be required to receive the series again.

COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE GREATEST FUNDRAISER ON EARTH! -

The St. Cecilia PTO is excited to invite you "Under the Big Top" for our Annual Ladies Stagettes! This year's Stagettes will be held on **FRIDAY, MARCH 2nd, 2018**

Tickets will go on sale **Thursday, January 4th at 7am in the Undercroft! Online ticket sales will begin at noon through the school website. There is a 20 ticket limit and this event WILL SELL OUT!**

For any questions regarding tickets, please email us at stagettetickets@gmail.com

Event updates are posted at:

www.facebook.com/SCPTOLadiesStagette

HOLY CROSS OPEN HOUSE - Holy Cross High School will be having their Open House on Wednesday, January 24th starting at 6:30. Students should all meet at Alumni Hall.

Academic Corner – Tips for Parents: Questions to Ask Your Child about Their Day

Get a sense of your child's life at school by asking questions that elicit more than a one-word response. Try one of these conversation starters:

- Tell me about the best part of your day.
- What was the hardest thing you had to do today?
- Did any of your classmates do anything funny? Tell me about what you read in class.
- Who did you play with/hang out with today? What did you do? Do you think _____(insert subject here) is too hard?
- What's the biggest difference between this year and last year?
- What rules are different at school than at home? Do you think they're fair?
- Who did you sit with at lunch?
- Can you show me something you learned or did today?

Important Dates:

1/15 – No School (MLK Day)

1/19 – Day of Prayer and Penance

1/22 – 1/26 – National School Choice Week

1/29 – 2/2 – Catholic Schools Week!

1/31 – Open House – 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.