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December 11, 2017

Dear St. Germaine families,

I hope you enjoyed your weekend! As we begin our second week of Advent, let us continue to prepare for the celebration of the birth of our Lord—the true reason for celebrating Christmas.

- **Santa Shop** opens today! Thank you to Rebecca Enghauser for coordinating this event every year along with ALL other parent volunteers scheduled to assist with shopping and wrapping throughout the week. Our kids love this event and appreciate all your efforts! Some assistance is still needed, please see sign up link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ba9a72ca20-santas1>
- Our “eating out” location this week is at **El Charro 11 am – 10 pm**.
- January **lunch orders** will come home tomorrow and are due back this Friday.
- **Upcoming Student Council events:** Free “Pajama Day” December 15 as a thank you for everyone’s participation in their events so far this year! “Holly Hoops and Shoots” for \$1.00 December 18 at 2:30 pm. A food drive will be coordinated after the New Year.
- **LAST WEEK to earn cash back.** Share this link with family, friends, and on social media. We earn 5 – 7% cash back on all sales: <http://www.ltdcommodities.com/channels/school/sgcs48081>
- All of our students have been busy preparing for their Christmas presentations. our **Kindergarteners** will perform this Friday at 11 am in the activity center, **students in grades 1 – 8** will also perform this Friday at 6:30 pm, but at Lakeview High School Auditorium (all are welcome!) and **Preschoolers** will perform *next week* Monday at 10:30 am and Tuesday at 10:00 am in the gym
- All **tuition accounts are to be paid in full by January 15, 2018**. Please make the necessary arrangements now so that your tuition account is in good standing. Also, as you complete your service hours, please submit your hour sheet to the office. Thank you!
- Mark your calendar: Our annual **Men’s Club bowling** fundraiser is coming up January 26! See [flyer](#).
- While many of our school families are members of neighboring parishes, Our Lady of Hope Parish is the community that financially supports our school. Please consider directing your **Christmas offering** to Our Lady of Hope Parish. Every dollar gifted to OLOH, as a Christmas offering, stays within our parish, and is not assessed (taxed) by the Archdiocese. Online donations may be made at [www.OLOHSCS.ORG](http://www.OLOHSCS.ORG). Thank you in advance!

Here’s a look at our week ahead (**Santa Shop open Monday – Thursday**):

Monday, December 11	Preschool “green day,” Gr. K – 3 progress reports, Math Club after school
Tuesday, December 12	Preschool “green day,” Mass at 8:30 for grades 6 – 8—join us! Toddler Time! Hot lunch orders home, band class after school, El Charro day 11am – 10 pm
Wednesday, December 13	Mass at 8:30 for grades K – 5, extra band practice after school
Thursday, December 14	Bagel day, Regina/DeLaSalle concert performance here, band after school
Friday, December 15	Half day of school, pajama day! Hot lunch orders due, Kindergarten performance 11 am, Grades 1 – 8 concert at Lakeview at 6:30 pm
Sunday, December 17	Advent choir/dance performance 4 pm in church, St. Germaine School family Pistons game 4 pm

**DRESS DOWN DAY for \$1.00 and “HOLLY HOOPS AND SHOOTs” for \$1.00 MONDAY, DECEMBER 18**  
**Weekend Liturgies here at Our Lady of Hope are celebrated Saturdays at 5:00 pm, Sundays at 8:30 am and 10:30 am (a special “Children’s Liturgy” is offered during 10:30 Mass). There is no better way to ensure your child develops in his or her faith life than to regularly, actively, and joyfully celebrate the Eucharist as a family.**

Advent Peace and Blessings,

Mrs. DeGrez