Lunch Menu January 6 - 10

**Monday** - Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, sliced pears, milk

**Tuesday** - Cheese burger, sweet potato fries, pickles, broccoli, mixed fruit, milk

**Wednesday** - Chili 3-way, spaghetti, shredded cheese, applesauce, milk

**Thursday** - Chicken fajita, Spanish rice, corn, pineapple, milk

**Friday** - Pepperoni pizza, mixed green salad, garlic bread, jell-o squares, milk

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**Important Dates**

Dec. 21 Christmas Break Begins
Jan. 6 School Resumes
Jan. 12 Open House Noon - 2:00
Jan. 15 School Comm. Mtg. 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 15 PTA Board Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16 - 19 AA Basketball Tournament
Jan. 17 2nd Trimester Midterms go home
Jan. 20 Martin Luther King Day NO SCHOOL
Jan. 23 - 26 AA Basketball Tournament
Jan. 24 8:00 Mass Kick off to Catholic Schools Week
Jan. 27 - 31 Catholic Schools Week

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From the Desk of Mr. Metz

Dear St. Catharine Parents,

- *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year*

On behalf of everyone here at St. Catharine we would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas a Happy New Year. Thank you for entrusting your children to us, it is a pleasure having them here.

- **Open House**

St. Catharine School will be holding an open house on Sunday January 12th from noon to 2:00PM. Please be sure to pass the word to anyone you know that may be interested in touring our school and meeting our staff.

- **Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to Lap Nguyen for winning this year’s Spelling Bee and to Lulya Mussie for being the runner up. These two, along with 18 others from grades 4-8, competed for the chance to move on to the next round and hopefully make it all the way to the national spelling bee in Washington DC! Great job to everyone involved and a special thanks to Mrs. Safaviyan for organizing this event and to Mrs. Placke, Ms. Schmitz, Mr. Nocheck, and Mr. Brown, for helping out as the emcee and judges.

- **Inclement Weather Procedures**

Reminder that we follow Oak Hills Local School District as far as delayed starts and school closings are concerned. Please check the local TV and radio stations for announcements concerning school closings. We also send out a one call to parents whenever a weather situation arises, however, this doesn’t always get to everyone as quickly as checking the local stations does.

Mr. Jerry Metz
Principal
Student Council Thank You

Student Council would like that everyone for their support of the bake sale. $270.00 will sent to the Haley House Fund. This fund helps families of injured military as they rehab in the Tampa Florida area. They were of great help to the Murphy family after Peter's accident.

Girls Basketball Sign Up

Grades 3-8 and High School. No experience needed. Please sign up at: http://stc-athletics.org/athletics/girls-basketball/
Call/email Eric Schmitt with questions. 608-0537 or eschmitt@fuse.net

St. Catharine

2020 Boys Baseball / Girls Softball
SIGN-UPS
Grades K-8
• Deadline to sign-up is Monday, January 3, 2020.
• Sign-up is EASY:
1. Log in to website: www.stc-athletics.org
2. Click on “Athletics”
3. Click on “Baseball” or “Softball”
4. Complete registration and hit SUBMIT
5. Pay the $45 registration fee on-line via PayPal link
• Cash or Check also accepted,
• checks made payable to St. Catharine Athletic Organization.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Dan Villamagna at dvillamagna@icloud or by phone at 513-405-3626.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:
• DEADLINE to sign-up is Monday, January 3, 2020.
• IF YOU SIGNED UP DURING THE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE in the Fall, please re-register using steps above, to ensure that your son/daughter is included on the roster.

Auction Info

*** SAVE THE DATE ***
Saturday, Feb 1, 2020
Blue & Gold Auction and Gala

PTA is collecting donations for class auction baskets. Below are each grades basket theme:

Kindergarten - Cocktail Hour
1st - Shop Local
2nd - The Great Outdoors
3rd - Movie Night
4th - Family Game Night
5th - The Great Easter Basket
6th - Lottery Tickets
7th - Wine
8th - Bling

A donation of any amount is welcomed and appreciated, thank you!
Items can be sent to school, or you can drop off on Wednesday, December 11th, at the start of the Christmas Pageant. Donations can be dropped off in the breezeway and donation receipts will be available upon request.
If you make a donation by the start of the pageant, you will be entered in to win a free pair of tickets to the Auction and Gala! PTA will be collecting in the breezeway prior to the performance.

If you have any questions, please call or text Jaclyn Frondorf at 513-476-8195 or email at frondorfjaclyn@gmail.com.
Hope you are enjoying this Merry time of year! Thank you for your generous support in making this year’s auction a success!

**Do you love a good party?**

Backyard BBQ * Night at the Oscars * Lobster Bake * Mother’s Day Brunch * Murder Mystery Dinner * Pub Crawl * Mexican Fiesta * Wine Tasting * Art parties* CornHole * Euchre Party * Bus trip to Keeneland...sound fun?? These are some of the fabulous parties that have been available to bid for at the annual PTA Auction. Raise money and have a great time doing so! **Please consider hosting a party as a donation to the 2020 Blue & Gold Gala!** We’re always looking for fresh new party ideas! PTA Blue & Gold Gala is Saturday, Feb 1, 2020. If you or a group of friends would like to support the PTA by hosting a party or you have questions about hosting - contact Kelly Lowe at kellyslowe@gmail.com or 513-910-3733

**Mercy McAuley High School Holds Grade School Basketball Night on January 7**

Mercy McAuley High School, located at 6000 Oakwood Avenue in College Hill, will hold a Grade School Basketball Night on **Tuesday, January 7**. The varsity game begins at 7:30 p.m., when the Mercy McAuley Wolves will take on Seton. Grade school girls who attend will receive free admission to the game, will enjoy snacks and giveaways, and will learn cheers with current Mercy McAuley students. Any questions can be directed to Alli Miazga, Recruitment & Admissions Coordinator, at (513) 681-1800 x2272 or miazgaa@mercymcauley.org.

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**Winter Break Child Care**

Need care during Winter Break, we got you covered. Please see the attached flyer. Pre-registration and payment due before December 17th. Any questions, please feel free to call or email me.

No Camp December 25, 2019 or January 1, 2020
Camp closes at 4 PM December 24th and December 31st.

Thanks
Andrea

**Andrea McCarthy**
Community Center Director
Westwood Town Hall Recreation Center
3017 Harrison Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45211
P 513.662.9109  C 513.725.5256  cincyrec.org
Camp CRC Winter Break Day Camp
Ages 6 - 12
When school is out the FUN is here!

December 23, 2019 – January 3, 2020
No Camp December 25, 2019 or January 1, 2020. Camp closes at 4pm on December 24 and December 31, 2019

9am – 4pm $80/week
7am-6pm $85/week (Extended Program)
Pack a Lunch and an afternoon snack.
Dress for play.
Need just a day? $28/day or $30/day for the extended program.

Pre-registration and current CRC membership required.
Minimum number of campers required to hold camp.

YOUTH & ADULT JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Western Baseball Conference (WBC) is seeking umpires for the 2020 baseball season. The WBC season runs from March 28, 2020 through the end of June. Umpire training classes are tentatively scheduled to be held on the Saturday mornings of February 29, March 7 and March 14 from 9:00am – 12:00pm at Our Lady of Victory cafeteria. On-field sessions are tentatively scheduled for March 20, 21, and 22 at Our Lady of the Visitation fields.

• Umpires must be at least a freshman in high school and have reliable transportation to and from games.
• No prior experience as an umpire is required, but a working knowledge of baseball is strongly recommended.
• New umpires are required to attend each of the three classroom sessions and at least one of the on-field sessions.
• The cost for the training is $20 for new umpires.
• Umpire fees will start at $40 per game for the 2020 season.

If interested, please send an email with your contact information to Rob Reid, WBC Umpire Coordinator, at rreid@catholiccincinnati.org.