**THURSDAY TIMES**

 **PRINCE OF PEACE MONTESSORI**

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!We are going to kick off our holiday season with our annual POINSETTIA SALE! This will be our Winter Fundraising event and our last event for 2021. Each family is receiving an order form in todays folder. THIS IS A QUICK TURNAROUND FOR THIS EVENT! All orders are due in the school office by Friday, December 10th. The school is working with Swan Florist to deliver these beautiful 6.5 pots for all your loved ones! You may put all your orders on one sheet or attach a separate sheet for your convenience. We do prefer payment with the orders but we will accept payments the day of pick up. Pick up will be Monday, December 13th at dismissal from school or you may come at a more convenient time. More information to follow next week! We appreciate all your commitment to support POP! Give a gift of a beautiful poinsettia to a family member, neighbor, friend, co-worker, teacher, postal carrier, doctor, hair stylist, boss, priest or by a few for your home…they are great gifts!!!**

**SANTA SHOP IS MONDAY, DECEMBER 6TH DURING SCHOOL HOURS! What better way to let the children shop for their loved ones than to shop at school on the feast day of St. Nicholas. HOW DOES THIS WORK??? Parents send their children to school with a designated amount of money that they determine for the children to shop with. Adult volunteers (parents) and staff will assist the children in shopping. We have attached a “Shopping List” for your convenience to come to school on Monday. Please list the members of your family that your child is shopping for! Ages and gender are helpful. For example, grandpa-age 60. Sister-age 10. Children will have their gifts wrapped on that day or later in the week to be taken home. Parents, these are simple gifts with small price tags. For example, socks, coffee mugs, dish towels, flashlights, trays, toys etc. The children absolutely love this experience! We are still accepting donations for the Santa Shop through Monday morning. Please drop off in the school office. They must be new-unused items. Thank you for your support and let’s go SHOPPING!!!**

**PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY IS MONDY, DECEMBER 6TH AT THE LIFETOUCH STUDIO IN CRESTVIEW HILLS, KY. If you were unhappy with your school pictures or your child was absent or not enrolled as of yet, this is your opportunity to have pictures taken or re-taken. Please call Ivonne at@ 859-578-0110 atextension 80104 to set up a time between 2:30- p.m.-6:00 p.m. The studio is located at 536 Centre View Blvd. Crestview Hills. This location is off Turkeyfoot Road, across from Summit Hills Country Club. Once this is completed, composite class pictures will be sent to the school for distribution. Thank you for your cooperation.**

**NEW SCHOOL MENUS ARE COMING HOME TODAY!We apologize for the delay in the menus. We wait for the menus to be sent by the School Food Service Director and she was waiting to finalize closing days for the holidays from all schools. We will send January before the break if they are available.**

**THE KENTON COUNTY LIBRARY is currently holding their annual Book Sale. This is a great time to pick up books for the entire family. We are also sending home the events for the preschool/school age children in this week folder. Please note the library has many events for all ages, including adult workshops etc.**

**GYM CLASS REMINDER…Mrs. Theissen would like to remind all studentsthat appropriate shoes must be worn every Thursday for gym class. Children do participate in exercise, running and sports on this day. Older children are encouraged to change into gym clothes. Girls may wear shorts and tights under their uniform for convenience. Physical Education is a class and children are expected to participate unless the teacher has a note from parents saying otherwise. Thank you for your cooperation.**

**REMINDER OF SCHOOL CLOSINGS: We are getting near the time of year, when inclement weather may be approaching. Be assured that we make every possible attempt to open school. Parents will receive a text message, email, Facebook notification etc. concerning our status. We also will post on the local news channels. Please be aware that you are watching the for Prince of Peace, Covington. There is a Prince of Peace in Indiana as well. We are also permitted to have a school delay from 1-2 hours in order to get everyone to school safely and get the roads cleared. We typically watch the calls for St. Agnes, Notre Dame Academy and Covington Catholic High School as well as they are our neighbor schools. If you are ever in doubt of the safety for your children with driving conditions, please be cautious and we respect your decision. We will pray for a mild winter and safe travel for all.**

**DECEMBER CLOSINGS OF SCHOOL: School will be closed on Wednesday, December 8th for the Holy Day of the Immaculate Conception and resume on Thursday, December 9th. The holiday break will begin on Wednesday, December 22nd – Sunday, January 2nd. School resumes on Monday, January 3, 2022!!**

**FOR FUTURE PLANNING OF SPRING BREAK: the dates for Spring Break are Thursday, April 14th – Sunday, April 24th. School resumes on Monday, April 25th.**

**HOLIDAY SPIRITWEAR ORDERS ARE DUE TOMORROW! The order form is attached in the red folder. Please send payment with order.**

**VIRTUS-YEAR END REMINDER: December is an open month in Virtus. The December bulletin will post on Sunday, December 5th and you will need to be updated by January 4th, 2022. If your Virtus account was suspended due to needing a Background check processed or re-processed and you were not able to do that by Dec. 1st, your account is suspended. If you are only in-activated, contact Mrs. Middendorf in the office for assistance.**