**THURSDAY TIMES**

**PRINCE OF PEACE MONTESSORI SCHOOL**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!On behalf of the entire staff, we would like to wish all of our families a healthy and happy New Year. We hope that 2022 will bring everyone much happiness, good health, friendship, love and an abundance of peace. We would also like to thank each and every parent who showered us with gifts before the holiday break. From the baked goodies, gift cards, plants and small tokens of your gratitude, we appreciate your kindness. Happy New Year to everyone!**

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW FAMILIES!!We would like to welcome our new students to Prince of Peace Montessori. We welcome the Whittle family and the Laake/Louden family. We extend our warmest wishes for your transition to a new school and extend our open arms for support during your first few weeks of enrollment.**

**CARNEGIE IS BACK WITH A NEW PROGRAM! Back by popular demand is Theatre Class!! The theme is “Casting Color”. Who is Orange? Why is Purple worried about Green? Students will explore color relationships to create a cat of unique characters. They will enjoy creating live action scenes starring their newly designed “color” character. If your child loves to act, loves drama or you want that shy child to become more outgoing and feel more comfortable in front of others, this is a fun way to do it! Class will start onWednesday, January 26th and last until March 2nd. The fee is $38.00 per student. Please make checks payable to Prince of Peace School or cash is accepted. For any additional questions, please call the school office.**

**DONATIONS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE TORNADO RELIEF FUND IN KENTUCKY.As most of you know, the tornados hit hard down in the counties closest to the Tennessee border. Schools in our area are still collecting funds to forward to them. If you have any donation, big or small that you would like to make, they will be sent into the Diocese office and funds will be transferred to those in need. We appreciate your kindness and thoughtfulness for the families who have lost everything, including their schools and churches. Please send in donations by Friday.**

**EAT WELL! IT’S FOR A GOOD CAUSE!The Frisch’s fundraiser is back! The date is Tuesday, January 11th at the Ft. Wright location located at 20 Kyles Lane. You may dine in, carryout or drive-thru for your convenience. Hours are 3:00-8:00 p.m. Take the entire family for a night out! All proceeds benefit Prince of Peace Montessori. Make sure to mention to your server or the cashier that your tab is for POP!**

**MENTORING REMINDER…The children who are enrolled in the Mentoring Program on Tuesday after school will continue with this program through the school year. We had some confusion on this Tuesday with children who did not stay but tutors were here for them. Please make sure you communicate to the office if your child is not staying that day. Our mentors leave school and drive here to be with our children. We would like to save them the inconvenience if their services are not needed for that day.**

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK IS COMING!!Every year, we have a committee of staff and parents who work to make this week very special for the children, staff and parent community. We will be sharing a calendar of events that will be coming your way very soon. We will celebrate our students, parents and staff in style!**

**TAX STATEMENTSfor the Extended Day program and After Care will be ready next week and distributed in the red folders for each family. These two programs are tax deductible. They will be printed on school letterhead for your convenience and records.**

**SCHOOL IS CLOSED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 17THin observance of Martin Luther King Day. School will resume on Tuesday, January 18th. The next scheduled day off is Monday, February 21st for President’s Day. Please mark your calendars accordingly.**

**ANGEL’S PANTRY IS OPEN AND READY FOR BUSINESS!This pantry is open to all families in our diocese who could a little extra support with groceries and paper products. The pantry is located at HOLY CROSS CHURCH RECTORY. It is on the basement level (house left to the church). The address is 3612 Church St. You may visit during open shopping or make a private appointment. Please email:** **POPcov@angelspantry.com** **or call: 859-982-7773. The pantry is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays and private appointment times.**

**WINTER IS HERE!We would like to offer a friendly reminder that we will do everything in our power to have school. We watch very closely what our neighborhood schools do during the inclement weather as well. We are also capable of calling a delay in order not to cancel school. Please watch the local news channels and check email and text messages for the latest updates in the early hours of the morning. We respect all decisions on safety and your individual decisions for driving.**

**THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT IS THIS WEEKEND!Our children have been practicing for many hours to perform for parents and guests. Please see Ms. Rebecca’s attached flyer with details. This is for all children in GRADES 1-8. All are welcome to attend. Children are asked to be at both concerts if possible. We are singing with the children from St. Cecilia School. The children will perform there on Saturday at church and our church, St. John on Sunday. Please see the flyer for all the details. The students are very excited, come celebrate with us! Please contact Ms. Rebecca Wells with questions.**