

January 4, 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! This mini-week helped us ease back into our regular routines so we can definitely hit the ground running on Monday. Governor's Cup practices are resuming so please double check the practice schedules online. Middle school teams must be determined next week with competition on January 19. Elementary students have a little longer with teams determined by January 28 with competition on February 5. If you have any questions, please contact the coach of the individual subject area. As specific details are confirmed, participating parents will be emailed. We wish all our Eagles good luck!

Even though we've only been back in session for a short time, next Friday, January 11 marks the midterm point of the second trimester. Please take a few minutes to check in with your student, review Rediker, or reach out to teachers to make sure we are all on the same page with regard to student progress. Teachers have been asked to do the same. While conferences are an excellent time to have such reviews, they are not for another month, leaving little time to work out of a potentially difficult situation. I encourage everyone to be proactive now and not reactive later.

Next week we will also have a prospective family night on Tuesday, January 8. This will be an informal, FAQ style session for families that are considering enrollment. There is also a winter Open House on Wednesday, January 9 from 10:00am-6:00pm. Please share the good news of a Catholic education at St. Aloysius! The referral voucher program is still in place. I have received 5 applications from new families in just two days back and would love to keep that momentum going!

Later this month, we will also have our annual geography bee and spelling bee. These competitions are for students in grades 4-8. Initial contests are held in homerooms with a representative chosen to participate in the all school event. The school winner will then go on to participate in state/archdiocesan contests. The National Geographic geography bee will be held on Wednesday, January 23, at 1:00pm. The spelling bee will be the following day, Thursday, January 24 at 9:40am. Both events will be in the gym and parents are welcome to attend.

Finally, in the weeks to come, you may notice a police presence on campus. There is no need for alarm—this is actually a win-win situation. St. Aloysius was approached to help with available parking as the number of police vehicles in service could no longer fit at the Pewee Valley Fire Station. You will see police cars at different spots around campus as officers come and go for their regular shifts. We have been assured that this will not affect carpool or other daily school activities and it will have the added benefit of heightening awareness of the community at large. This proactive partnership is simply another way we are keeping the safety of our students at the forefront.

Enjoy your weekend,

*Mrs. Hayslip*