



## From the Desk of Mrs. McDermott 12/15/10

### **Dear Parents/Guardians**

Our last day of classes before the Christmas break will be this Friday, December 17. School will dismiss at 11:30 a.m. Extended Day will be offered from dismissal until 6:00p.m. With this being the last news letter of 2010, I would like to wish you all a blessed Christmas and peaceful New Year. The first four months at St. Bruno have been wonderful. I have really enjoyed getting to know you and your children, and I am very excited about all the many great things that will be happening here in 2011.

### **Winter Weather Information**

Due to the recent inclement weather, I would like to review our policies regarding school closing. We understand and are very sympathetic to the difficulty that many of you will have in finding childcare in the event of a cancelled day of school, so with this in mind, we will remain open on regular scheduled days except in truly exceptional cases. In general, if the Public Schools are open, we will be open. Emergency closings will be announced on WBBM 780 or WGN 720 and on WGN channel 9.

### **Food Drive Dress Down**

The Thanksgiving donate a food item for a dress down brought in over 400 food items for Assumption Church Food Pantry, so we would like to do this once again tomorrow, Thursday, December 16. Students should wear Christmas colors. This time all donated items will be given to St. Bruno Church on Friday morning for the Church's food drive. Thank you for participating!

### **January 2011**

In January we will begin a tentative listing process for PreK – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. We want to ensure that our current families entering these grades have first shot at the allotted spaces. This is particularly important for students entering 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and Kindergarten. The registration fee will not be due until later in February when contracts go out to all grades.

### **School Website**

I am aware that some of you are still having trouble accessing the site. Mr. Matt Coyle, our website manager, is diligently working on this. It appears to be a problem with a server, not the website. Hopefully, it will be fixed very soon.

### **Extended Day**

I am sure many of you will be cleaning out closet space and making room for Santa's gifts. Before you throw anything out, please consider donating any gently used toys, puzzles, or games to our Extended Day program. Thanks in advance.

### **Las Posadas**

On Monday and Tuesday afternoon PreK 3- 5 grade celebrated Las Posadas. We extend our gratitude to Mrs. Josephina Zamorano who was the main organizer of this event and to the parents who stopped by to participate, The students certainly enjoyed the experience, especially the punch and bread.

### **School Christmas Show**

Please join us tomorrow tonight as PreK through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade accompanied by 5<sup>th</sup> grade present the annual Christmas Show at 7p.m. Some of you have asked - there is no charge for this show.

**Yuletide Blessings,**

**Katrina McDermott**

### **Upcoming Dates:**

Thurs. Dec 16 – Christmas Show 7:00p.m. – 8:00p.m.

Fri. Dec 17 - 11:30 dismissal – Extended Day is available until 6:00p.m.

Fri. Dec 24 – Nativity Play 5p.m Mass

Tues. Jan 4 – classes resume