

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

I am excited to announce that beginning January 28, 2019, we are adding another dynamic to our first grade teaching staff.

Ms. Margaret Wilson will be joining our first grade team. Ms. Wilson will be joining Ms. Katie Kennedy in Class 1-1 in the role of full time teacher's assistant. Ms. Wilson received her Master's of Childhood Education, Museum Education Degree from Bank Street College of Education and her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Rhodes College in Tennessee in Art History. Ms. Wilson has been on the faculty of Manhattan New School for over two years.

You may recall that Ms. Mary Reid-Francisco returned to Saint Ignatius Loyola School in September in her new role as teaching assistant. Ms. Reid-Francisco will be joining Ms. Jayne Packard in Class 1-2 as teaching assistant. Ms. Reid Francisco received her Bachelor of Science Degree in History from Fordham University and her Master's Degree in Childhood Education from Hunter College, City of New York.

In addition to the exciting changes in the first grade, I am happy to share that Ms. Olivia Starr will be joining the Grade 3 through Grade 5 team. Ms. Starr will be assuming the position of Reading Specialist. Ms. Starr's focus will be to offer additional support to the students who find the New York State English Language Arts Exam an area of challenge. Ms. Starr received her Master's Degree from Bank Street College of Education and her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Manhattanville College.

We have much to be grateful for in the Saint Ignatius Loyola School community.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin
Principal

Attached to the Weekly are the following:

Midterm Exam Schedule – Grades 1-8
2019 Ladies Night Out Invite – Grades K – 8
2019 Benefit Auction Letter & Donation Form – Grades K – 8
Sports Variety Clubs Form – Grades K-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

***Important to Note:**

- Thursday, January 17th and Friday, January 18th - **Midterm Exams Grades 1-8.**
- Friday, January 18th - **Class Parent Meeting** at 8:45 a.m. in the Cafeteria.
- Monday, January 21st – **Martin Luther King, Jr. – No School.**
- Kindergarten Admissions Notifications will be mailed the week of **Tuesday, January 22nd.**
- Tuesday, January 22nd through Wednesday, January 23rd – **Midterm Exams Grades 1-8.**
- Thursday, January 24th – **Winter Wonderland Concert at 6:00 p.m.** in McKinnon Hall.

- Friday, January 25th – **Professional Day – No School for the students in the Kindergarten through the Eighth Grade. Admissions Testing** for applicants from Grades 1 through 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Friday, January 25th – **End of Second Quarter.**
- Sunday, January 27th through Saturday, February 2nd - **Catholic Schools Week.**
- Monday, January 28th – **Catholic Schools Week Mass** – Grades K-8 at 1:15 p.m. in church. All are welcome to attend.
- Wednesday, January 30th – **Continental Breakfast** at 8:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, January 30th – **Parent Open House** from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Thursday, January 31st – **Speech Assembly** at 9:30 a.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Thursday, January 31st – **Orchestra & Jazz Band Concert** at 6:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.

***Parent Information:**

- As noted in last week’s Weekly, the **2017-2018 State of the School Meeting** scheduled for January 30th has been cancelled. Included in the January 30th Weekly, will be all the detailed charts that we would have shared with you that evening.
- **Date Changes from the Calendar:**
Friday, May 24th, is a full day of school.
Friday, May 31st, is a noon dismissal.

- **A Gentle Reminder**

We appreciate the worry and concern of childcare. However, it is crucial if your child is sick or feels sick in the morning prior to leaving for school, that you do not send him/her to school. It is very upsetting to your child when he/she vomits in the school. A sick person in the building impacts others in the building. It creates a domino effect for all of us.

Equally important to note, your child must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. Additionally, we appreciate when your child has been on medication, however, if your child is still presenting with symptoms, we cannot stress enough that he/she stays home.

- **STRINGS PROGRAM:**

There will be NO Strings Program from **Thursday, January 17th - Thursday, January 24th** during Midterm Exams.

The only lessons that are scheduled will be **makeup** Advanced Orchestra and Lessons (unless you were personally contacted by Ms. Dimitrova) on **Thursday, January 17th**. It is makeup lesson day from November 29th.

The **Winter Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble Concert** is scheduled to take place in McKinnon Hall on **Thursday, January 31st**

Dress Rehearsal Thursday, January 31st McKinnon Hall

3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. Beginning Orchestra & Intermediate Orchestra

4:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. Advanced Orchestra*

*Advanced students who are not in afterschool can stay in McKinnon Hall until their rehearsal time

Concert Thursday, January 31st at 6:00 p.m. McKinnon Hall

Call time for all students to report to the Music Room is **5:30 p.m.**

Concert Dress:

Students are required to wear “concert black”.

Girls: Black dresses or skirts, tea length or longer. Tops should also be black and have sleeves. No short skirts or sleeveless tops. Black or nude hose/tights and black shoes if possible. No sneakers.

Boys: Black trousers and white button-up shirts. No tuxedos, polo shirts, jeans, ties, or bow-ties. Black socks and black shoes, if possible. No sneakers

- **News from the Development Office**

- **Annual Fund**

Thank you again for your continued strong response! As noted in the letter from your fellow parents, Anna Marcelli and Ray Pastore, the school relies on the annual fund to close the gap between the operating budget and monies raised through tuition. It allows the school to invest in capital improvements and program enhancements, along with offering scholarships to families enrolled in the school who maybe in need of a helping hand. No gift is too small.

Please contact Ms. Anna Sakalis at sakalisa@saintignatiusloyola.org with any questions you may have regarding your tax-deductible donation.

- **Used Uniform Sale**

Donations of gently used or new uniforms can be dropped off to McKinnon Hall and placed on the stage **beginning Tuesday, January 22nd**. The Used Uniform Sale is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, January 30th from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. during Catholic Schools Week Open House.

- **Ladies Night Out**

Our Annual Ladies Night Out is scheduled for **Friday, February 8th, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** The Committee is working hard to ensure a great event.

As noted on the invite, please R.S.V.P, by Monday, February 4th, so we can plan accordingly. Feel free to invite your friends and family The more the merrier!

- **2019 Benefit Auction**

Our 2019 Benefit Auction is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th. The evening's success is through the support of you and our entire Saint Ignatius Loyola School community.

We are seeking your help in acquiring items for our Live Auction and Silent Auction. Items can be gift certificates to restaurants, hotels, fitness packages, Broadway shows/sports/travel/entertainment experiences, gift certificates for kid's sports classes, gift baskets, jewelry, fashion, handbags, beauty...

Included in today's Weekly is our 2019 Benefit Auction letter and donation form. Please contact the Development Office at extension 135 or by email at sakalisa@saintignatiusloyola.org if you have any questions or if you would like an Auction letter and form sent to you electronically. **THANK YOU!**

For all parents who are available to lend a hand and get involved, our first Auction meeting will be on Wednesday, January 23rd at 8:30 a.m. in the cafeteria.

- **Christmas Pageant DVD**

The Christmas Pageant was professionally taped. If interested in purchasing the DVD, please complete the order form below and return it to the MAIN OFFICE.

Christmas Pageant DVD tear off:

Christmas Pageant DVD Order Form

Child's Name _____ Class _____

Number of DVDs requested _____ x \$40 per copy = \$ _____

Check # _____ (please make check out to Saint Ignatius Loyola School)

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Please return the order Form and with a check made payable **Saint Ignatius Loyola School**.

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