



Saint
Christopher
School

Newsletter

January 4, 2018

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! On behalf of Fr. Paul, Fr. Matt, Mrs. Guenin, all of the maintenance/custodial, kitchen and after care staff, I want to thank you for your generous gifts at Christmas. The community of St. Christopher is a generous and giving community! I pray that your family was able to keep the importance of the birth of Christ at the forefront of your celebrations during our time away from one another.

God bless you,

Karen King, Principal

Yearbook Group Photos

Friday, January 5, the photographer from Lifetouch will be here to take group photos of sports, clubs and activities. We will start at 8:15 a.m.

Out of Uniform Fundraiser

Students may be out of uniform on Monday with a \$1.00 donation for a field trip fundraising. The theme is "Crazy Hair." To clarify, students may wear casual, appropriate clothing with a focus on "Crazy Hair." Students not donating \$1.00 should wear their regular school uniform.

Registration Information

Our annual Open House for new families is scheduled for Sunday, January 28, 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. We know that word of mouth marketing is the best kind of marketing! Be sure to tell your friends whose children are not at St. Christopher to mark their calendars to visit during our Open House.

Please be aware of the following, in order to receive parishioner rate tuition:

A Parishioner is not simply someone whose name appears on the parish roster. Membership in St. Christopher Parish involves meeting at least two of the following three criteria:

1. Worship with the community on Sundays and Holy Days.
2. Regularly support the parish through reasonable and identifiable monetary contribution.*
3. Be involved in one or more of the spiritual, educational service or social activities of the Church.

*While regular attendance at Mass is expected, since some donate through automatic deduction once a month, a minimum of 12 donations per year is expected.

Volunteer Hours on MSP

Please sign in to your parent portal on MSP (<https://mystudentsprogress.com>) to verify that all of your volunteer hours are listed. The semester ends tomorrow. Be sure to manually input any hours that can be verified but are not listed. If you need help resetting your password, please contact Mrs. Guenin at dguenin@stchrisindy.org. Reminder from our Family Handbook:

SERVICE HOURS:

- 1. Families are required to work 20 service hours as members of the Saint Christopher School Community.*
- 2. Every family is required to be part of a rotating Bingo Team. Bingo supports the school financially in many ways outside of the monetary funds paid to PTP for providing a kitchen staff. To request placement on a specific team, contact Cheryl Campbell at cjq2c@sbcglobal.net.*
- 3. Families not meeting the minimum of 10 hours by the end of the first semester will be charged a \$200 service fee that must be paid by the start of the second semester.*
- 4. Families who meet the required hours the first semester, but do not fulfill their obligation the second semester will be charged a \$200 service fee that must be paid in order to complete the registration process for the upcoming school year.*

Box Tops for Education

Our second quarter competition for Box Tops comes to an end Friday, January 5th.

In an effort to prevent losing the opportunity of raising money for our school, please take a few moments to go through your shelves and pull off the box tops you see. We will take them as they are no need to clean the edges! Put them in a ziploc bag or envelope with the teachers name on it and send them in with your child we will do the rest!

Thank you so much for taking time out of your day to help support our school through Box Tops!

Passports, Pints and Prizes!

Save the date for our new fundraising event, Passports Pints and Prizes! On Saturday evening, March 3, we will have a silent auction, food and craft beer, games and fun! Similar to our past auctions, there will be items to bid on using current technology through your smartphone or tablet. With a focus on celebrating the diversity in our school and parish, food stations will include sampling from various countries around the world. A more casual event than our previous auctions, not only will the cost of admission be lower, you won't have to go out and buy a new outfit! This new event is sure to be a lot of fun, so start inviting your friends now!

Important Dates

January 5 - Bingo Team 2, end of second quarter and first semester

January 6 & 7 - Scrip and trash bag sales after all masses

January 8 - Out of Uniform for \$1.00, Crazy Hair is the theme.

NWEA testing begins

January 10 - 1:30 p.m. dismissal, Aftercare is open

January 11 - 2nd quarter Honors Mass, 9:00 a.m. in church

January 12 - Bingo Team 7

January 15 - No school, Martin Luther King, Jr Day

January 19 - Bingo Team 3

January 20 - First Communion Meeting, Cafeteria, 9:30 a.m.

January 26 - Bingo Team 5

January 28 - St. Christopher School Open House, 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Open registration begins.
Catholic Schools Week begins

St. Christopher School Mission Statement

St. Christopher School, established in 1949 as an educational ministry of St. Christopher parish, serves the West Deanery of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis and the surrounding community.

St. Christopher School strives to provide an exceptional education permeated with Catholic Christian values, promoting spiritual, moral, intellectual, physical and social growth for our students, preschool through sixth grade.

St. Christopher School seeks to be an extension of our students' homes, challenging them to achieve their potential and helping them to realize their great worth as children of God, capable of making significant contributions at home and throughout the world.