PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER #8

November 11, 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

November





DAILY SCHEDULE ROTATION

Nov.	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	
Day Number	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	Special	

LASALLIAN REFLECTION

"Do not forget to thank God for His many blessings."

(Letter 76 from St. John Baptist de la Salle to one of his Brother Directors)

During these days of November, let us take our founder's words to heart. Give praise and thanks and we enjoy the blessings of the Thanksgiving holiday.

DOMINICAN REFLECTION

Dominicans live a life that is both active contemplation and contemplative action. Like breathing in and out, we know that to be effective preachers we need both: to contemplate the Word and the world at the same time, our reflection on the world demands a clear and free response to need which brings us to action. So we act contemplatively and contemplate actively.

SCHOOL NEWS

CBS Gala News

The CBS Gala: Magic in the Park XXV is this Friday, November 15th. If you havenot purchased your tickets, please consider doing so.





We are looking for volunteers to help set up the City Park Campus for the Gala. On Monday, November 11^{th} (weather permitting) we need help stringing up lights around campus. Rain date will be Tuesday, November 12^{th} . On Thursday, November 14^{th} and Friday, November 15^{th} , help is needed all day to help set up the Cultural Center. Please go to the CBS website and click on Gala Volunteers - it will take you straight to the Sign Up Genius - dates and times are listed on that site. We appreciate any time you can give us!

Cross Country State Champs

Congratulations to the Cross Country team for their state championship in the 3^{rd} – 5^{th} grade division. In addition, we placed 2^{nd} in the state in the 6^{th} - 8^{th} grade division (with only 7^{th} graders!). Thanks to Mr. Cummiskey and Coach Marks for their leadership and dedication.



High School Application Cards

Seventh grade students will receive their high school application cards Wednesday, November 13. Therefore, the time to make the all-important decision about high school is upon them as the students will have until Friday, November 15 to return the cards to the CBS office. As instructed on the application, only return the application - no fee is submitted at this time. CBS will forward all necessary paperwork to the high school to which your son applies. Please note the date and time of the Application Day for your son's selected high school and remember to send the fee on that day. Finally, please do not ask any member of the CBS staff to write a letter of recommendation for your son at this time. The directors of admission to the area Catholic high schools request that applicants follow the guidelines for application (which do not include submitting letters of recommendation). Know that I will be an advocate for your son in speaking with the directors of admission. Furthermore, please be aware that most high schools ask that you complete an additional application provided directly to applicants by the high school. That application should not be returned to CBS, but returned directly to the high school instead.

Should you have any questions regarding the admissions process, you may contact me.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

The Bro. Amedy Thanksgiving Food Drive began today, Monday, Nov. 11 and continues through next Wednesday. Please bring in non-perishable food items which will in turn be delivered to Second Harvesters Food Bank to provide for the less fortunate during this Thanksgiving time. Items can be brought directly by students to their homerooms. Thanks in advance for your contributions.

Geography Bee



CBS invites all of its students to participate in the National Geography Bee. The first step of the competition is the preliminary round being conducted Wednesday afternoon, November 13, from 3:30-4:30 at CBS. Students answering the most questions correctly will advance to the finals/championship round on Tuesday, December 3, at 3:30 at CBS City Park. Parents will be

invited to observe the finals/championship but not the preliminary round. The CBS champion will then take a written test to qualify for the Top 100 in Louisiana.

Falcons Head Off Over Holidays

Good luck to the CBS Tackle Football teams as they participate in The Battle in Rocky Top national tackle football tournament in Knoxville, Tennessee over the Thanksgiving holidays. This is not only an opportunity for us to display the fruits of our efforts over the year, but more importantly it's an opportunity to be ambassadors of our school and our mission. My hope is that we will be great ambassadors of Christian Brothers School and terrific examples of a Christian community all while have a terrific time celebrating the talents of our students!



Men's Club Christmas Social

The Men's Club will hold their annual holiday social on Thursday, December 5, at Deanie's in the French Quarter. Contact Men's Club president Keith Amato at keith.a@acs-llc.net for more information.



CBS Application Deadline

The deadline for application for new students to Christian Brothers School is <u>Friday, December 13, at Noon.</u> Please help spread the word that there are approximately 70 spots for new, non-CBS 5th graders. Any questions regarding admissions may be directed to the school office at 486-6770.

High School Placement Test Prep

The deadline to register for the test prep classes for the placement tests for high schools and the Duke T.I.P. is Thursday, November 21. Please go to cbs-no.org for a registration form and more information.

7th Grade Disney Trip Registration

Registration and refundable deposit for the 7th grade Disney graduation trip was due November 6. However, it is not too late to register. If you'd like another flyer, see Ms. Karen in the front office. If you have questions about the trip, contact Mr. Prat through the front office or at mprat@cbs-no.org.



Advent

The Advent Season will soon be upon us. Your son will participate in the lighting of the Advent Wreath in his Religion classes during the Advent Season. Might I also suggest that your family consider having an Advent Wreath of your own. You may be surprised at how willing your son is to engage in such an activity in his own home.

Thanksgiving Holidays

Remember that school dismisses at <u>Noon on Friday, November 22 with no after care</u> and will remain closed for the week of November 25-29. On behalf of the Brothers, administration, faculty and staff at Christian Brothers School, may you and yours have a blessed and happy Thanksgiving. Thanks for all you do for CBS!

Sincerely,

Michael J. Prat, Jr.

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