

QUEENS LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



January 15, 2009



NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

BEE:

Diamond Soto, 6th grader, was the winner. Diamond took a written test which will be mailed to the National Geographic Society of Washington D.C.

SCHOOL CLOSED:

Friday, January 16, 2009 - Teacher's Workshop
Monday, January 19, 2009 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

INAUGURATION DAY:

Tuesday, January 20, 2009 - If time permits, do watch the swearing in of President elect, Barak Obama, if not, do tape this memorable event in American History.

NEW YORK STATE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

ART TEST (ELA:)

Has been given to **students in grade 4 the week of January 12th. The 8th graders will take the test the week of January 20th.** We always tell our students to be sure they have a good night's rest and eat a healthy breakfast the day of the test. All we ask them to do is their very best.

GRACE SCHOOL

BAKE SALE:

Tuesday, January 20, 2009. Please be sure your son/daughter has a couple of dollars on them that day to purchase baked goods. Money raised will help Grace School.

**BAPTISMAL
CELEBRATION:**

On **Wednesday, January 21** during our weekly Chapel service, **we will celebrate the commemoration** of students who were baptized, blessed or received a dedication during the months of **November, December or January**.

**PENNIES FOR
PATIENTS:**

The **program will be starting on January 26**. We will be collecting coins and bills for **The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, NYC Chapter**, throughout the month of February. This organization needs our help to ensure that the Pennies for Patients meets its goal to raise \$365,000.00 for research and patient services. We thank you in advance for your donations no matter how big or small it may be. Please see that your son/daughter brings in coins daily or weekly. You may want to ask your family and friends to donate coins or dollar bills to this very worthy cause.

**REPORT
CARDS:**

Will be distributed on **Friday, January 30, 2009**.

**TOYS FOR
TOTS
DEADLINE:**

Thanks to all those who contributed.

**BREAKFAST &
PICTURE
WITH SANTA:**

Hope you were happy with the picture you received. We thought they came out great. **We thank Santa and his helpers.**

FOOD FORMS:

For February will soon be distributed. They are **due back by Thursday, January 29, 2009**. Please adhere to the deadline

BAKER'S DELIGHT: Once again we are **selling raffles** for a Baker's Delight Basket. **Contents:** Funfetti cake mix, Jell-O brand no bake cheesecake mix, frosting, sprinkles, no stick cooking spray, measuring cups, 2 aprons, disposable clean-up cloths, dish towel and Generation Me children's baking pan set with a lovely reusable basket. **Raffles are selling:** \$1.00 each ticket or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. Won't you please consider buying several raffles while at the same time helping Queens Lutheran School raise money for school supplies.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: Was simply beautiful. The students with the help of their teachers worked hard putting the program together. The **offering** collected, **\$280.00**, was **sent to Trinity Lutheran Church in Long Island City, to help with their pantry (food for families in need.)**

RE-REGISTRATION FORMS: Will soon be given to students in grades 1 - 7.

OPEN HOUSE DATES

February	4 th	Wednesday	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
	8 th	Sunday	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
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<b>March</b>	11 th	Wednesday	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
	29 th	Sunday	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
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April	8 th	Wednesday	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
	26 th	Sunday	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
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<b>May</b>	13 th	Wednesday	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
	17 th	Sunday	2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**FORMER  
STUDENTS:**

**Priyanka Singh** attending **The Mary Louis Academy**, has achieved Honor Roll status. The principal of the school, Kathleen McKinney, C.S.J., sent us a letter which is now posted on our bulletin board, she mentioned in the letter how grateful they are for the good work that we do in educating tomorrow's leaders. She also said that the foundation we provided for them has helped them to reach this accomplishment.

**David Schroeder** and **Nicholas Scoufaras**, attending **Saint Francis Preparatory School** have merited recognition for commendable academic performance during the first quarter of the current school year. The students have received an average of 90% to achieve Honor Roll status. A letter from Brother Leonard Conway, O.S.F. Principal can be found on our bulletin board. Brother Conway congratulates us and our teachers for the fine instruction we have provided which contributed to success in high school.

**Shelly Kumar**, attending **St. Vincent Ferrer High School**, achieved honors in the first marking period. A letter was received from Sister Gail Morgan, O.P., Principal thanking us and our entire school community for our contribution to her success. Sister Morgan also states in her letter that the quality education Shelly received at our school has equipped her with the ability to excel here at Saint Vincent Ferrer High School.

**BOX TOPS FOR  
EDUCATION:**

Please **save the box tops for education** found on all General Mills Products, Kleenex boxes and more. Please save Campbell soup labels as well. Please bring them to school. For every 20 box tops or labels brought in your child will receive a N.U.T. card. This is a great incentive and at the same time the school will earn \$0.10 for each coupon.

**Please check the Queens Lutheran School Website for information, up-dates, pictures, fun stuff. It is updated often especially the photo album section**

[www.queensluthेरanschool.com](http://www.queensluthेरanschool.com)

# NEWS FROM STUDENTS AND STAFF

## 1st & 2nd grade - Ms. Gigler



December was a very busy month in Grades 1 & 2. We made cut out butter cookies and decorated them with sugar and sprinkles. Bella & Leila agreed "They tasted spectacular!" We are becoming really fine bakers. (Christian and Robert G. From 8th Grade, saw Ms. Gigler finishing up at the oven and volunteered to wash up all the dishes for free cookies! What a great deal!)



We had many art and craft projects to finish for the holidays. We sewed stockings, make a poinsettia arrangement, a star ornament, and of course Christmas cards for *Care Cards*.



Our musical talents were evident when we sang several carols at Christmas. We worked really hard to learn O'Tannenbaum on the bells. Each person played one note. We learned about musical notation and did a fantastic job.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

## 3rd & 4th Grade - Mr. Busch

- December came and went quickly, but we accomplished many things. We learned new skills in Math, including estimating and regrouping.



- In Science we learned about the affects of mining on the land when looking for non-renewable resources. Students received a chocolate chip cookie. The chips were the non-renewable resource that needed to be minded without damaging the cookies, or the land. Everyone had a lot of fun, however some cookies were damaged beyond repair. We learned that we need to conserve our natural resources.



- We also participated in the Christmas program. We sang songs and played the bells. Two classmates played instruments. Justin Munoz played guitar, and Erek Nelson played drums. Everyone enjoyed the Christmas break, but we're happy to be back in school.



## 5th & 6th Grade - Ms. Costanzo

- 5th & 6th grades are learning about nutrition. We will be investigating healthy diets.

Please encourage your children to make healthy choices at home.



- 7th & 8th grades are discovering new ways to help their environment. We are enjoying all we are learning in Science.



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7th & 8th Grade News - Ms. Darden

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!**

- ◆ **7th & 8th grade will be going on a trip, January 15th to the courthouse.**
- ◆ **8th graders will be taking the ELA State Test**
- ◆ **2nd quarter report cards will be issued on January 30th.**

**In December:**

**Christmas Program was wonderful! 5th - 8th really did a great job.**

**December 22      It was movie day and game day**

**December 23      Student Council had breakfast for 5th - 8th grade**

## 5th & 6th Grade - Social Studies - Mrs. McLaughlin

- **The big event for us this month was the National Geographic Bee.**

**After the preliminary and final rounds, Diamond Soto, grade 6, emerge the winner. Diamond took a written exam to be sent directly to Washington, D.C. for grading. We will all eagerly await the results.**

- **On January 15 the 5th - 8th grade will be ging on a field trip to the courthouse on Queens Boulevard. The D.A.'s office will arrange a tour for the students that will show the workings of the criminal justice system from arrest to sentencing.**
- **In class, we will be starting a chapter on WWII. This is a way for the children to again realize that history does repeat itself. There may be someone in the family that can provide primary source accounts for the children: Great grandparents, uncles, cousins, etc. Let the children take advantage of these resources if possible.**

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