

Madonna Memos

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RINGGOLD BUS NUMBER CHANGES

Beginning today, Ringgold AM Bus 25 is 23. Ringgold AM/PM Bus 22 is 3. Paper numbers had been taped to the buses, however with the cold weather, they are no longer sticking. Drivers have distributed notices to the students.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Breakfast with Santa Claus RSVPs are due **TOMORROW**, Friday, December 2nd. Please be sure to invite family and friends to this wonderful event! Call Janie Rodriguez at 724-348-0396 to lend a much-needed hand. Ho Ho Hooooope to see you there!

SANTAS WORKSHOP

Thank you to chairperson Melinda Alvarez and all who assisted with this week's Santa's Workshop. The last chance to shop is **TOMORROW**, Friday, December 2nd at 10:00 AM.

'TIS THE SEASON

Tired of turkey leftovers and busy with Christmas preparations? Order MCRS Athletic Association hoagies for lunch or dinner! Hoagie orders are due tomorrow and will be delivered to school on Thursday, December 8th. *Your support is always appreciated.*

SARRIS CHRISTMAS CANDY

Sarris Christmas candy will be delivered to school on **Monday, December 5th**. Parents are asked to pick candy orders up in the cafeteria prior to dismissal, as boxes are too cumbersome for students to take on the bus.

Need perfect stocking stuffers? **Sarris candy bars and pretzel rods** earn 50% profit per case sold! You may prepay and request candy bars and pretzels throughout the school year. Call the school office for more details. This is a sweet way to meet your assessment!

MOVIE NIGHT

Today's test folders contain an invitation for K-8 students' December 9th Movie Night.

FA LA LA LA LAAAAAA!

On Thursday, December 15th, students in grades K-8 will participate in a Christmas Choral Performance in St. Damien Church, Transfiguration Worship Site. The MCRS band will also perform. Students who have not done so already are asked to return the pink form from last week's test folders. Thank you!

ADVENT SERVICE PROJECT

Each year MCRS strives to help enhance the lives of others through various projects. This year's Advent Service Project is a special one that will culminate during our Birthday Party for Baby Jesus Prayer Service at 9:00 AM on Thursday, December 22nd.

Options Resource Center for Pregnancy and Sexual Health Education and Counseling, Inc. is located at 308 Chess Street in Monongahela. The name, although long, tells the nature of their resource. The Center is a pro-life, non-profit, public charity. All services are free and confidential, and are offered to men and women in their childbearing years. They are affiliated with CARENET, a nationwide network of pregnancy centers. Their funding comes from public donations, churches, private individuals and businesses.

We are **currently** collecting any size or brand of formula and diapers to donate to Options. With each donation, students will have their name placed on their own baby carriage that will be displayed beginning in the cafeteria. As donations come in, hopefully we will extend our train of baby carriages through the halls and stairways! Please be as generous as your means allow. Thank you!

MENU CHANGE

The lunch menu for Thursday, December 15th will be our "Christmas Dinner", ham, au gratin potatoes, vegetable, roll, chilled fruit and choice of milk. The only alternate that day will be a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Please mark the change on your lunch menu. Thank you!

GEOGRAPHY BEE

Our Geography Bee is slated for Wednesday, December 21st. The calendar states grades 6-8 however students in grades 4-8 will participate.

GIFT CARD BUYERS - PLEASE READ THIS! *We have no inventory!* With Christmas fast approaching, don't miss the opportunity to earn assessment credit or tuition credit as you do your shopping. Our next order will be on Monday, December 5th for delivery on Thursday, December 8th.

Do you have your 2012 Coupon Books yet? All three book sales will end **before** Christmas vacation. They can save you countless dollars and make great gifts!

Enjoy Books - \$27.00 with \$10.00 profit earned toward your assessment.

Entertainment Books - \$30.00 with \$6.00 profit earned toward your assessment.

Kidstuff Books - \$25.00 with \$12.50 profit earned toward your assessment.

LOOKING AHEAD

We will hold a used book sale during Catholic Schools Week with profits benefiting the Monongahela Library. This is the perfect time to go through bookshelves at home to make room for Christmas gifts. Please share this information with family and friends. More information will be forthcoming!