

December 6, 2018

Dear Families,

It's hard to believe how fast time is going as we prepare for the Christmas season. Our last day of classes will be Friday, December 21, 2018, and we will return on Wednesday, January 2, 2019. There are no formal Christmas parties planned in school but some individual teachers might allow the students to have a party in their classroom. We had our monthly school Mass this week and confessions will be heard on December 17 during the lunch hour for those wishing to go to confession during Advent.

Looking ahead, midterms for all students in Grades 7-12 will take place the week of January 22, 2019. Monday of that week will be Martin Luther King Day, so we will not have school. Midterms will run from Tuesday through Friday. More specific information will be sent home in early January but you may want these dates in advance. Generally speaking, this is not a regular week of school, so students can go home once they have completed their exams for the day. That can be as early as 10:00 for morning exams that start at 8:00, and 1:30 for afternoon exams that start at 11:45, depending on how long it takes to complete the midterm. Teachers will continue to work on the skills necessary to promote success on these midterm exams. Please feel free to communicate directly with teachers at any time.

It would be a good idea for all students to use the Christmas break to get more organized by cleaning out backpacks, buying some new supplies, etc. All students should be using the portal regularly to track their homework, due dates, and grades. Parents also have access to the portal.

That's all the updates for now. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a very blessed Christmas!

Thank you,

Sheila Martin, School Counselor