



# ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

January 2, 2019

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## Important Dates

<b>Back to School</b>	1/2
<b>1/2 Day Dismissal 12:10 pm Teachers' Meeting</b>	1/4
<b>Advisory Board Meeting 5:45 pm</b>	1/7
<b>Lifetouch Group and Candid Picture Day</b>	1/9
<b>Morning Prayer &amp; Benediction St. Mary Church 9:15 am</b>	1/11
<b>Martin Luther King Day No School</b>	1/21

Happy New Year! And, welcome back! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a relaxing holiday break. I know I enjoyed some time off to relax and regroup.

This is a short week for us. We do have a scheduled early dismissal this Friday for the first Friday teachers' meeting. We will dismiss at our regular time of 12:10 since Stonington does not have a half day.

The end of this month is National Catholic Schools Week. We celebrated the New England Catholic Schools Week in early November. We will have one Open House on Wednesday January 30. This will be both a day for new families to check out the school while it is in-session, but it is also a day when all of our families are invited to stop in and visit in the classrooms to see what is happening. The Open House will be from 9:00 am—10:30 am, so stop by and visit if you can,

That week will also be a time for the students to celebrate Catholic Schools. Events for them will be planned, the big event being Passport Around the World Day planned for January 31. The students will set up displays in the classrooms featuring their chosen country, and all the students will visit each country. It should be both a fun and informative day!

Also that week will be the Middle School Science Fair.

The students have been working on their projects for a while now, and on Wednesday, January 30 we will all have a chance to view them. The projects will be set up upstairs in the Convent building. They will be available to be seen by students and visitors on Wednesday during the day, and then in the evening from 5 pm—7 pm. You should try to stop in and view the projects, I know you will be impressed with the work the students do.

You may notice on the calendar that next Wednesday Lifetouch is scheduled to come and take group pictures and candid pictures in the classrooms. Students should all be in uniform that day. Sports teams may bring in their jerseys to put on over their uniforms.

Progress reports will be coming home in a couple of weeks. Please keep in mind that the first half of this trimester has lots of distractions, so there will not be lots of grades to be averaged. Every grade will count! However, there is still time to make corrections and settle down to work, before and after the reports come home.

The basketball teams are enjoying their seasons. They are working hard practicing, conditioning and playing games. There are some Saturday games coming up: the boys JV and

Varsity will be playing at Sacred Heart in Groton on the 12th, and the following Saturday the girls have a game at Sacred Heart as well. This is a great chance to get out and support the teams. The boys play at 9 and 10, the girls game is at 9.

The new year always hold so much promise, this year, though, let's focus not a resolutions but on goals. Help your children establish goals for themselves. It's a great way to move forward and achieve!

God Bless!

*Mrs. Messina*

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### From the Nurse's Desk

All Pre-K parents: If you have not yet turned in your confirmation of flu vaccine for your child, please do so. It is a requirement in the state of CT for Pre-K students.

Flue cases are being reported in CT/RI. Let's do our best to encourage our children to practice good handwashing and covering coughs and sneezes. Prevention is key.

