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Principal's Thoughts

Each year during the last week of January, we join our sister schools across the nation to celebrate the gift of Catholic Education. We are not only united in faith and community with all these schools but within our own community as well. It is our faith and the values we share that creates this tight-knit group of families we call St. Agnes School.

The readings for this Sunday are powerful because they remind us that our foundation is God's Word; everything we need can be found in these teachings. We are also reminded that a community cannot exist with just one individual. Collectively, with all our individual gifts we are the church, Christ's body. As the Church, we must play an active role to bring His message to the world. This is what Catholic schools do. We teach your children to live the Gospel of Jesus and actively serve and enrich the community. In working together we can bring our Mission to fulfillment. Thank you for your partnership, we are grateful to share in this work with you.

Please join us this Sunday for 9am Mass followed by hospitality, classroom visits and shopping at the Book Fair. Many activities have been planned this week; you are more than welcome to join in the fun! The Dollar Drive will help fund a need for Fr. Luke's high school in Uganda!



St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

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- **Scrip Statement**
 - An accounting of your scrip activity has been included in your family envelope today.
 - You should now be at 75% of your goal. The scrip year ends April 30th.
- **Book Fair News**
 - Information about the Book Fair can be found on the library page on our website.
 - Just click on the link that says, "BOOK FAIR'S WEB PAGE" and you can get all of the answers you need about the book fair as well as the e-wallet. Each class is scheduled for a walk through to create their shopping list and then will return on a separate day to shop.
- **CSW Theme Days**
 - Many fun days have been planned for the week ahead with MANY dress options. Please follow the non-uniform dress requirements (no athletic pants or shorts nor leggings.)
- **Decathlon Bake Sale**
 - The Jr. High Academic Decathlon team will be running a bake sale after the 9am & 11am Masses this Sunday, January 26th. A variety of baked goods and drinks will be available ranging in price from 50 cents to 2 dollars. A limited number of T-shirts will also be on sale for \$25. Cash sales only.
 - Proceeds/donations will help the team cover costs for the Decathlon event on March 1st.

Parish News

- **Ojala Ministries Dinner**
 - This dinner will take place Saturday, January 25th at St. Bonaventure and will benefit their annual trip to build houses in Mexico.
 - A flyer with a QR code to order tickets for the dinner to support the Ojala Ministries has been posted on our website.
- **Crab & Tri Tip Dinner**
 - The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual crab and tri-tip dinner on Saturday, February 1st at 6pm in the church hall.
 - A flyer and ticket request form can be found on our website.
 - This dinner often sells out so please purchase your tickets early.

Schoolwide Learning Expectation: A faith-centered person, living the Gospel message who is able to make morally responsible decisions.

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TIME SENSITIVE

- **Donation for Hope-Last Call**
 - Please help us reach our goal of \$2025 to offer hope and assistance for one of our sister schools that was destroyed in in the recent Palisades fire.
 - Given this is the Jubilee Year of Hope, we are asking each child to donate \$7.00 to achieve this goal.
 - Please send your donations to the classroom teacher. Thank you in advance for your generosity.




- **Don't Miss It!**
 - Our Annual Talent Show is THIS Friday January 24th in the church at 6:00pm.
 - Over twenty acts will be performed! We hope to see you there.
- **Dine Out**
 - The Panda Express in Clayton will be our next destination for the February Dine Out.
 - A flyer has been included in your envelope and is needed when ordering so we can receive a donation of 20% of your purchase.
- **BINGO Returns!**
 - Please reserve Friday, February 7th from 6pm – 9:30pm to attend the PACE Bingo Night.
 - A flyer with all the details and a QR code to purchase your tickets can be found in your envelope.
 - Dinner is included!
- **Auction News!**
 - Tickets are now on sale! Please visit: <https://auctria.events/auction2025>
 - **Want to advertise your business?**
 - Our auction program offers great advertising opportunities for local businesses! From full-page premium ads to business card-sized options, there's something for everyone.
 - Follow us on Instagram/Facebook to find out how you can promote your business while supporting our school.

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 IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS	
1/23	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scrip Sold 9-11• Vision Screening - Gr. K, 2 ,5, 8 & New Students• School Board Meeting 6:30pm – Ministry Center
1/24	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8:15 Mass 5th Grade (Formal Only)• Progress Reports Go Home• Talent Show 6pm - Church
1/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work Party 9am-1pm
1/26	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open House Mass 9am• Hospitality, Book Fair & Classrooms Open 10am-12pm
1/27	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSW: Celebrate Community• Dollar Drive Begins• Class Colors Day• Rally 1:30
1/28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSW: Celebrate Students• Crazy Hair & Socks Day• Buddy Activity
1/29	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CSW: Celebrate Nation• Yellow & Black Dress Day• Spelling Bee 10:30
1/30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scrip Sold 9-11• CSW: Celebrate Vocations & Fr. Luke• College & Career Day• Brain Bowl 1:30
1/31	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scrip Sold 9-11• CSW: Celebrate Staff & Volunteers• Dollar Drive Ends• Class Theme Day• Faith Families 1:45

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