Good Afternoon,

We are all looking forward to a fun celebration of Catholic Schools Week next week (see the attached schedule). I hope that many of you can join us as we kick off the week this **Sunday morning, January 28, at the 9:30am Mass at Blessed Sacrament Church**. Many BSS students will be involved with the Mass, and a reception for families will be held after the Mass over in the school cafeteria.

If your family comes on Sunday morning, we hope that your children will wear their school uniform, so that everyone in the parish community will see who our outstanding students are.

Here are a few additional updates as we move toward the end of the week:

- (1) Giving Tree for "Gatsby Under the Stars": Some of you may have noticed the Gatsby Under the Stars giving tree in the gym foyer. The tree has ornaments with several small gift donation options (gift cards, hats/gloves, etc.) that we are looking for as we put together auction baskets for our upcoming event. Please take a look and consider helping out with a small donation to this event. All donations can be returned to the main office.
- (2) <u>Dr. Rob Visits BSS Wednesday, February 7:</u> Dr. Rob will make his next visit to BSS on Wednesday, February 7. To book a 1/2 hour appointment, contact Michelle in the front office (<u>msaunders@blessedsacrament.org</u>).
- (3) <u>The NED Show:</u> On Monday morning, students in K-5 will take part in a special assembly called The NED Show. The show is free to BSS, but operates on a "pay it forward" program. In the week following the show, students will be invited to purchase yo-yos and other items connected with the show. A flyer will be sent out on Monday listing the options for purchase (it is also attached to this email). Items will be sold at morning assembly from Tuesday-Friday of next week. The purchases made at BSS will help to support the same program at another local school, just as a previous school did for us. We hope that the kids enjoy the show on Monday!

(4) Box Tops Volunteer Opportunity:

The PC is looking for volunteers to help with the monthly Box Tops sorting and counting on **Thursday** morning 2/1 at 8:15. If you are interested, please follow this signup genius link: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0F44A9AD22A5FF2-monthly6

Box Tops for Education: As we reach the end of the month, please send in any Box Tops for Education that you have collected by **Thursday**, **February 1**. Homeroom teachers are being asked to send them in to the office first thing that morning. Be aware that expiration dates on Box Tops do matter so please remember to send them in periodically with your children so that they do not expire. Watch for your student's baggies to be sent back home and please continue collecting! We've already made over \$1100 through the Box Tops program this year!Contact lynnebong@verizon.net with any questions.

Enjoy the rest of the week and weekend. I hope to see many of you on Sunday morning at Blessed Sacrament Church.

Jim