

Good Afternoon,

I hope that everyone is enjoying the snow day. I am sure that your kids most certainly are!

I look forward to celebrating BSS with so many of you this Saturday night at Gatsby Under the Stars. Remember that you do not need to attend Saturday night's event to bid on silent auction items. Simply visit our auction site at one.bidpal.net/gatsbyunderthestars and place your bids. You can set maximum bids and monitor items from afar, right up until the silent auction closes at around 9:00 on Saturday night. Bidding is currently open on all items, including all the fixed price items (teacher parties, middle school dodgeball, etc.) that are always popular with our families.

If you are interested in bidding on any of the live auction items that you learned about earlier this week, please let me know so that we can set you up with a "proxy bidder" who can bid on your behalf during the event.

Here are a few additional reminders:

(1) **Fast Cash Calendar Sales:** Be sure to send in all remaining Fast Cash Calendar slips and cash/checks with your children tomorrow morning so that the entries can be included in our \$1000 drawing on Saturday night. We have sold close to 1000 calendars over the past few weeks, and we'd love to sell several hundred more. The profits from every calendar that we sell from here on in will go directly toward providing classroom resources for our students and teachers. So get your kids out there on this snow day to sell a few more calendars! Additional calendars and slips can be downloaded here:

<http://school.blessedsacrament.org/cashcalendar>

(2) **Parents Night Out Movie Night Rescheduled:** The "Parents Night Out" Movie Night for children that was canceled last week has been rescheduled for next Thursday, March 15 at BSS. The proceeds from this event will go toward the Norwood Circle of Hope. See the attached flyer for more information about how to register your children for the event. Contact Mrs. MacLean at tmaclean@blessedsacrament.org with any questions.

(3) **Book/DVD/Video Game Drive to Benefit "More Than Words":** Don't forget to donate items to the book/DVD/video game drive we are hosting at school this week, during National Reading Week. We are collecting both new and used items, so encourage your children to go through their bookshelves today and consider making a donation to the drive. Collection bins are located in the gym foyer and main office foyer. All of the collected items will be donated to More Than Words in Boston (www.mtwyouth.org).

(4) **Open House - Wednesday, March 14 at 9:00am:** Our next Open House for prospective families will be held next Wednesday morning, March 14 from 9:00-10:00am. Please help us out by sharing this information with a prospective family that might be interested in considering BSS for next year. If families cannot make the Open House time, please encourage them to contact me to arrange a personal tour. We appreciate your support as we strive to meet our enrollment goals!

Finally, best of luck to the 6th grade boys basketball team as they compete in the Eastern Massachusetts CYO Semifinals this Sunday at Catholic Memorial High School (time still TBD)!

Enjoy the rest of the day,

Jim