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Happy New Year everyone. I hope your Christmas holiday was one of the best you have had. Since it is a new year we have some news from the PTG. I would like to first congratulate Lennon Tedesco on winning a \$25.00 Visa gift card from the Genevieve's wrapping paper sale. He was the top seller in the school. I would also like to congratulate Zaiden James as the winner of our t-shirt design contest. His design will be printed on a t-shirt that will be worn for a school spirit day during Catholic School week as well as for field day and will provided for each student by the PTG. Great job, boys and thanks for your participation!

I also need to inform you that anyone interested in running for the lunch program coordinator should get a letter of intent to me by January 28th. The candidate should have volunteered with the lunch program for at least 2 years so they have an idea of what is to be expected of them. The lunch coordinator has tuition for 1 child paid for by the PTG for all the work that they do to make this lunch program work. The selected person must be able to work at the school on Tuesday, Thursday and every other Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Your responsibilities will include helping set the menu, collecting the lunch orders, taking inventory, calling vendors to place orders, making up lunch cards and other various duties to keep the lunch program going.

Since we are on the subject of the lunch program, I need to let you know that there will be some price increases on the selections beginning with the February lunch order. As I mentioned on back to school night, if we did not get enough volunteers we would need to order out more frequently. We did not get a large amount of consistent volunteers so we need to order lunch out more rather than cook more lunches in the kitchen. There are days when there are just 2 people in the kitchen. Our vendors also informed us back in December that there would be an increase in our prices due to the rising costs of food in general. The cost of other items such as the condiments, plates, utensils, etc. has historically been absorbed by the lunch program. We can no

longer afford to not incorporate these costs in the menu items. We regret having to increase the prices but in order for the program to remain financially stable, we had no choice. Thank you for your understanding.

I would like to let you know that the PTG will be supplying ice cream and toppings for ice cream sundae day during Catholic Schools Week as well. We will also be sponsoring 2 assemblies in the coming months for the children.

As we look to the future, the PTG will be holding a Bingo night at the American Legion in Elmwood Park on February 20th. Keep your calendar open for a fun night. We are also going to be holding the annual Tricky Tray on May 7th at the Venetian. It is expected that every family donate a basket to this event to help make it the big success it has in the past. Notices will be going home about that in the coming weeks.

The PTG also has its ongoing fundraiser of SCRIP. You can purchase gift cards for ShopRite, Pathmark or A & P for any amount. \$25.00, \$50.00 or \$100.00 gift cards are available. You can purchase SCRIP before or after school from Heather Tregidgo (201-773-8513 or tregidgo.heather@yahoo.com), or Karen Gillies (201673-2476). Checks should be written to St. Anne's PTG, with your child's name and homeroom on the envelope. Your child can earn a free dress down day on a specific day. If you purchase scrip please be sure to give your email address to Heather or Karen so you may get the email with the date of the free dress down day. This day is separate from the \$1.00 dress down day that the school has.