

November 30, 2011

Parental Guilt and Overindulgence:

Should I Say Yes or No?

Join Eileen Murphy, Education for Parenting Ministry Coordinator of the Archdiocese on **Wednesday, November 30**, at 7:30 PM in the Lower Church for a Parenting Workshop.?? Are you puzzled why your child does not follow your instructions??? Do you sometimes feel upset because you get angry with them, or question whether you are expecting too much? We will explore the feelings parents experience when their children seem unwilling or unable to accept the limits placed upon their behavior. Discuss some surprising yet simple ways to get children to do what they are told and feel proud of themselves. Feel more relaxed and sure about your directives. Your children will be more willing to respect the limits you have to place on them. Presentation followed by time for questions.

Nutcracker reservations for Grades 1-8 are due tomorrow. Please return both permission slip and payment of \$20.00 by December 1st. Late payments and permission slips will not be accepted.

Honors Assembly for grades 6-8th will be held on Friday, December 2nd at 2:00 p.m. in the Lower Church. Parents are welcome to join us. Siblings from lower grades will not be released from class to attend this assembly.

Last call for Coat Donations - pick up is tomorrow morning. Check out Town Report, November 25th, page 9, for a wonderful story and picture about our coat drive.

Jesse Tree collections are ongoing. Thank you to the families who have already sent in presents.

Please see the two fliers attached:

- [Breakfast with Santa](#)

- [Christmas Boutique](#)

Volunteer Elves are needed for both events!

PATHS and Parents

Our 1st through 4th Grades have been participating in PATHS Curriculum (Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies). We are very fortunate to have this

program brought to us through the generosity of NCADD/Westcehster Inc. We have decided to continue the program through the spring semester. 5th - 8th Grade will also begin sessions after Mid-Terms in February.

On Monday, December 5th come and meet the teachers and director of this wonderful program. Join us for a presentation at 1:45 p.m. in the cafeteria followed by Q and A. You'll be done in time to meet your children at dismissal.

Have you started your Christmas shopping? Why not consider an e-reader (Kindle, Nook, etc.) as a present for your favorite scholar? We have decided to experiment with allowing students in 5th - 8th grades bring one of these devices to school. They can be used for independent reading, they also come with a dictionary, and you could add an Italian-American Dictionary, thesaurus, or Bible eliminating the need for housing all these books in desks or school bags. We will review our telecommunications policy from our handbook with these students to be sure they are aware of our ADNY policies. All such devices should be clearly labeled with your child's name. Students will be responsible for their safekeeping. Use of these devices is strictly optional. Please be sure your child is mature enough to use one and keep it from getting lost. The school will not assume responsibility for lost or damaged devices.

Ms. Harten

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