

A note about tomorrow's concert:

Putting 211 students "on stage" means that most children are in front of the stage on risers, and some are actually standing on the floor of the gym. We are still working on the right combination of grades and heights so that you are able to see your child.

One possible way to help with this will be to assign rows of audience seating to certain grade levels. We will have time tomorrow during the school day to continue working on this issue, and if we do decide to suggest specific rows, we will give you instructions as you enter, or will mark the rows.

Please be patient and understanding as we try to give all of our guests the best viewing possible. This is our first time with a Christmas show that uses all of the students, all of the time, and we are learning as we go. Thank you in advance for your support!

Are you desperate to find a Hatchimal? Here's your last chance!!



This year's Christmas craze is sold out all over the country and we are raffling off a Hatchimal via the Piggest Raffle. Tickets can be purchased through school at the Christmas Program (before the start of the show). The drawing will occur at our Christmas concert, next Friday. All proceeds go to St. B, and you might be able to win a Hatchimal for as little as \$5! Hatchimals are like the Cabbage Patch Kids of the '80s; they're selling on EBay for incredible prices, and the manufacturer is not able to keep up with demand by Christmas. [Hatchimal Raffle](#)

Preschool Christmas Program

I just came from the Christmas program starring our preschool students. It was 20 minutes of sheer sweetness – all of these darling three and four-year-old angels and shepherds complete with Mary, Joseph, the Star, three Wise Men, and a manger under snowflakes. The cows went "Moo," the baby went "Waah," and Mary went, "Shh." They sang "Take Me Out to the Stable" as well as some traditional carols, too. Many thanks to our Preschool Director, Mrs. Van Huss, our teacher (and narrator), Mrs. Weisenberger, Mrs. Holland, Mrs. Dorschug and Mrs. Otto. Mr. Salerno played piano for the students, which was an added treat. Now I am officially in the holiday spirit!



Coming Right Up...

- **Friday, 12/16: Canned Goods or dollar = jeans** AND Bring in school supplies for Pi Beta Phi School (Gatlinburg) and you can wear their school colors, blue and white, on top!
- **Friday, 12/16: K-8 Christmas concert** Students in HR by 6:30, gym doors open at 6:30, concert is at 7:00.
- **Wednesday, 12/21: First day of Christmas break!**

And in 2017

- **Tuesday, January 3, 2017: Return to school**
- **Friday, January 13: Early dismissal (noon)**
- **Sunday, January 15: Mother-Son Dance**
- **Sunday, January 22: OPEN HOUSE**
- **Sunday, January 29 – Friday February 3: Catholic Schools Week!**

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Suzanne G. Ingram".