



In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.  
Genesis 1:1

I have been asked to include a letter from the Blue Ribbon Commission in this week's communication. This letter explains the purpose of the study, a website containing a copy of the report, and information for you to view the Press Conference on line.

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January 4, 2012

May 2012 bring you all of God's blessings. May you all have a wonderful New Year filled with Christ's peace, good health and much happiness.

Thank you so much for thinking of me at this very special time of the year. Your prayers, good wishes and many gifts were heartwarming and very much appreciated.

I did post this when we had our surprise snow in October, however, I thought it best to repeat the information just in case it was misplaced.

This is the time of year when the weather may effect the arrival, departure and cancellation of school. I thought it might be a good idea that we go over the policies that are in place.

- The bus companies and school districts dictate the changes.
- Upper Perkiomen School District is the main "dictator." St. Philip Neri School will close, have an early dismissal or have a two hour delay according to their decision.
- Boyertown, Brandywine Heights, North Penn, and Quakertown will follow the UP schedule. However, if Boyertown, Brandywine Heights, North Penn, and/or Quakertown are off they will not bus us or if Boyertown, Brandywine Heights, East Penn and/or Quakertown have a two hour delay or an early dismissal they will bus according to their schedule.
- Souderton will only follow their schedule. Therefore, if Souderton does not have a two hour delay you will have to bring your children to school.
- Channels 69-WFMZ, 10-NBC, 29-FOX and 6-ABC will be posting our weather related schedule. I call the stations as soon as I get my call so it should be posted by 6:00 AM the latest.
- Please be sure that you have accurate phone numbers here at school. In the event of an early dismissal, time is very important. We cannot put your child on the bus without notifying you. The phone chain moms must be able to contact you.
- When we have a delayed opening Pre K3s and Pre K4s will begin class at 10:00 AM.
- If you live in the Upper Perkiomen School District, filled out the form and paid \$4.60 you will be notified by Upper Perkiomen School District if school is closed, there is a two hour delay, or there will be an early dismissal.

Written notes are required for absences – Include in the note the days and dates of the absence(s) and the reason(s). This is to be signed by the parent or guardian and is to be presented to the classroom teacher on the first day back to school from the absence. This is a requirement for all absences. Any absence for which there is no written communication is considered

“UNEXCUSED”, “PARENTAL NEGLECT” or “TRUANCY”. For your convenience, several absence notes are included at the end of this letter.

**Enclosed in today’s communication envelope:**

- A letter from the Blue Ribbon Commission
- Scrip order form
- January Prayer List
- 2012 Offertory envelope box for each student
- Letter to Parents residing in the Upper Perkiomen School District
- Parent Source
- Used Uniform Sale flyer
- Grades 4 through 8—order form for Christopher Paul Curtis’ books
- Pot O’ Gold—save the date flyer
- Traveling Chalice Program flyer

God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Schleweiss

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>St. Philip Neri School Absence Note</b></p> <p>_____ was absent on _____ (Student’s name) (date)</p> <p>due to _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Grade _____ (Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>St. Philip Neri School Absence Note</b></p> <p>_____ was absent on _____ (Student’s name) (date)</p> <p>due to _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Grade _____ (Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature)</p>
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