

### **Top Ten Reasons to Support *Every Family Counts!***

10. So our children will have all the learning opportunities they deserve!
9. To keep our science and computer labs state-of-the-art.
8. Because you'd rather give those dollars to help your kid than give them to Uncle Sam! (Gifts to StM are tax deductible!)
7. Because your children inherit your values - if you demonstrate that you value their education, they will too!
6. To keep our doors open, lights on and facility clean and safe.
5. To keep music in your child's life through the weekly singing program!
4. Because we need that \$2.50 per day more than Starbucks does!
3. Because a great education will make their road into the future smoother.
2. Because you can't refuse them when they look so darn cute in those red sweaters!

### **But the number one reason to give what you can is...**

1. St. Martin is **your** community - and *Every Family Counts!*

We're counting on 100% family participation. Please make a contribution in any amount you can! Pledge cards are due November 30th.

# Santa's Lists

## Nice!

*All families who  
have returned their  
pledge cards*

## Naughty!

*Families who forgot  
to return their  
pledge cards*



Which list will your name be  
on?

### ***Every Family Counts!***

Pledge cards due November 30.  
(Non-compliance results in coal-filled  
stockings)



## 'Twas the night before....

'Twas the end of November and throughout St. Martin School  
Kids and their teachers thought it would be cool

To have all of the tools that they needed to teach!  
Alas, finances put many tools out of reach.

But still, kids could dream: "New software!" said one,  
And jump ropes and rubber balls sure would be fun!

Mrs. Heenan said, "math books!" Chimed in Mrs. Slevin:  
"New microscopes would be like a wee bit of heaven!"

Dictionaries to study for the big spelling bee!  
"Sugar cubes to build missions!" said Ms. Wojtkowski!

Would Santa come through? Would California State pay?  
Mrs. Florzcyk was sure she knew just what they'd say.

Santa's focus was **toys** for our daughters and sons,  
And Arnold would say, "Just **public** institutions!"

To whom could she turn? Who would come through with zeal?  
***It has to be parents — through the annual appeal!***

So please give what you can, by the 30<sup>th</sup> of November  
And while you're considering, please try to remember:

Every little bit helps; we'll take any amounts!  
These gifts help your children, and ***Every Family Counts!***