

Date: 8/21/2018
Dear Parents / Guardians.

The school year is off to a great start and everyone seems very excited to be back at school. Throughout the school year, I will send home letters to help keep you informed of all the wonderful things that go on here at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic School. As you see, the last two weeks of August is a very busy month for us.

Beginning of Year School Forms

If you have not returned all the beginning of school year forms, please do so as soon as possible. If you have misplaced any of these forms and need a new copy, please let the office know and we will send home new forms.

School Website

Our website address is www.stmarysroyals.org. Please take some time and look at our website. If there is anything you would like to see on this site that would be helpful to you as a parent, let us know. You will find monthly lunch and activities calendars, as well as a copy of the monthly newsletter there.

School's Activity Calendar

This year, we will again send home a School's Activity Calendar each month to help you keep better track of all the exciting activities that involve our students. This calendar is subject to change as things get added throughout the month and we will let you know of any additions. You will find the monthly School's Activity Calendar on the opposite side of the Lunch Calendar.

Substitute Teachers

Did you know having any type of bachelor's degree can qualify you to be a substitute teacher? You can earn \$70.00, \$80.00, or even \$100.00 per day depending on how many days in a row you are subbing. We are looking for qualified substitute teachers for the 2018-2019 school year. If you are interested, please contact the School Office for more information

Spirit Wear and Uniform Fleece Orders

A St. Mary's Spirit Wear order form will be coming home in the next week or two. This order form will include the **official St. Mary of the Assumption Fleece Jacket**. Students are permitted to wear these fleece jackets as part of the regular uniform, if they so choose. These fleeces do not take the place of the sweaters, but rather are an additional option for our students. Students are to continue to wear the appropriate school uniform shirt underneath the fleece. Students will also be allowed to wear these fleeces during the school day, even when they are in their classrooms.

2017-2018 Year Books

We have **TWO**, 2017-2018 Year Books available for purchase in the School Office. Cost is \$10 per book and it is first come - first served.

Box Tops for Education

We are again collecting Box Tops for Education this year, as well as Tyson Project A+ Labels and Aunt Millie's School Spirit barcodes! This is a very easy way for you to help our school get new supplies for our students. Last year we were able to purchase new balls, sidewalk chalk, and other items for our students to use during recess. We have included a paper that gives more details about these programs. Unfortunately Campbell's Soup DISCOUNTINUED their Labels for Education program last January, so we can no longer turn in those labels.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018 through Wednesday, September 5, 2018 5th and 6th Grade Pork Chop Dinner Sale

Our 5th and 6th Grade students will be selling Pork Chop Dinners with the proceeds going toward their cost to attend Camp Storer at the end of September. Cost is \$8.00, and the meal includes: Thick Cut Pork Chop, Baked Potato, Applesauce & Dinner Roll. Dinner Pickup will be at the Bell Tower Entrance on September 11, 2018 between 4:30-6:30pm. Dinners are provided by Dick's Steak House. You may purchase tickets from any 5th or 6th Student, in the School Office, or at the Scrip Table after Masses.

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Parish Picnic and Swimming

Sunday, August 26th St. Mary of the Assumption will be hosting a Picnic and Swimming at Camp Clay from 12:00pm to 4:00pm. All of our school families are welcome to attend. There will be Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Drinks, and Tableware provided. If you would like, you are welcome to bring a side dish to share. Kids are able to swim for free, simply meet at the pavilion to receive an arm band. If you know you are coming for sure, please RSVP with the Parish Office at 419-238-3979 or Via Facebook, however you may still attend if you don't RSVP. This is a great way for us to kickoff a new school year with our School and Parish Families.

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

School and Family Pancake Breakfast Day – We will be holding our first Pancake Breakfast Day on Tuesday, August 28th at 7:30am until 8:15am in the gymnasium. The cost is \$2.00 for pancakes and for just an additional \$1.00, you may get sausage as well. Parents/guardians, grandparents, siblings, or other friends/relatives are welcome to enjoy breakfast with our students before school that day. This is a great way to get to know some of our other school families, as well as start the day off with a delicious breakfast.

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

3rd Grade Field Trip to Van Wert County Fair

Our 3rd Grade will be making a trip to the Van Wert County Fair this year in conjunction with 1 st Responder Day. Our students will take part in various safety stations around the fair grounds that will include: the Smoke House, Fire Hose Demonstrations, a tour of the Central Insurance Company Fire Museum, tours of fire trucks and ambulances, and possibly the Life Flight Helicopter.

Thursday, August 30, 2018

1st Grade Field Trip to Van Wert County Fair

Our 1st Grade will be making their annual trip to the Van Wert County Fair. On this field trip, students are able to learn about many different types of animals and produce that are raised in our community. They are also able to see how the many differences and similarities between breeds of animals.

Friday, August 31, 2018 SCHOOL PICTURE DAY!

Picture packets and ordering information were sent home with the students the first day of school. Please contact the School Office if you need a new order form.

Monday, September 3, 2018 NO SCHOOL – Labor Day

<u>Tuesday, September 4, 2018</u> NO SCHOOL – Teacher Professional Development Day

School Council Meeting starting at 7pm in the School Library

Thank you and God bless,

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Mr. Daniel Metzger Principal-Minister