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Principal's Summer Newsletter
July 30, 2018

To: All Parents
From: Christine Dean



ARE YOU READY?.....SCHOOL OPENS ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 21

The summer days have certainly flown by, and although we have been very busy getting classrooms and the campus ready for the 2018-2019 school year, there are still some small projects that need the help of our parents. SO MARK SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, AS WE HOLD THE TRADITIONAL RE-CREATION (CAMPUS CLEAN-UP) DAY. Beginning at 8:00 a.m. many hands will be needed to weed, trim bushes and plants, clean the auditorium and kitchen, and other small chores. Volunteering to help will get you started on earning your service hours for the new school year. PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE (619-284-8730) IF YOU CAN HELP ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 11. Don't forget to bring your gardening tools and work gloves.



NEW PARENT ORIENTATION DAY

Another important date is Saturday, August 18, for New Parent Orientation. The morning program will begin at 9:00 a.m. in the auditorium for all new school parents and students. At 10:00 a.m. the preschool and kindergarten teachers will continue with their Open House for pre-school and kindergarten families.

WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME TWO NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

We welcome the following new faculty members to the St Didacus family: Miss Emily Antoniazzi, our new 5th grade teacher, is coming to St. Didacus with young blood and a new creative energy. We look forward to her new ideas and creative mind with the students and staff this coming year. We also look forward to the return of Mrs. Rachel Miller, who will now be our new kindergarten teacher! She is a very talented teacher and we couldn't be more excited about her return to our school. Along with her duties as kindergarten teacher, she will again be the director of the choir with the assistance of Ms. Kamrath.

All students should receive their FIM user id and password by August 1. If your child does not receive his/her information by this date please call the school office to obtain it. Don't forget that all summer work is due on the first day of school.

IMPORTANT AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER DATES

- Saturday, August 11 - 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Campus Clean-Up Day (bring your gardening tools, brooms, paint brushes, and *energy*). Please give the school office a call if you can be of service on this day.
- Saturday, August 18 - 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. New Family Meeting followed at 10:00 a.m. by preschool and kindergarten Open House. Students welcome.
- Tuesday, August 21 - 8:00 a.m. First Day of School
- Tuesday-Friday, August 21 to 24 - Minimum Days (dismissal at 12:00 p.m.) Daycare 7:00 – 7:55 a.m. and 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. available. No hot lunch will be available on these four days, so please send your child with a lunch if he/she will be staying for daycare.
- Tuesday, August 28 – Back to School Night at 7:00pm. This is a mandatory evening for at least one parent to come and meet your child's teacher and hear their classroom policies for the new upcoming school year.
- August 31 – Band Assembly
- Monday, September 3 - No School – Labor Day
- Wednesday, September 5 - The First Whole School Mass at 8:30am. All students must be in complete full dress uniform for that day.
- September 7- Minimum Day of School/Faculty Meeting (Band forms due)
- September 10 to September 28 - First STAR Testing Period
- September 11- PTG Board Meeting 6pm
- Wednesday, September 12 - Photo Day (school uniforms)
- Thursday, September 13 – Christian Action Parent Coordinator Meeting @ 6:30pm.
- Sunday, September 16 - First All School Family Mass (10 a.m.) – Catechetical Sunday (7th grade)
- Tuesday, September 18 - Development Board Meeting @ 6:30pm
- Thursday, September 20 – First Day of Band
- Saturday, September 22 and Sunday, September 23 – Church Ministry Fair – Parent volunteers needed.
- Friday, September 28 - Fall Sports Rally 2:00pm
- Saturday, September 29 and Sunday, September 30 - Adams Avenue Street Fair: We are looking for volunteers to man the booth. If you are interested let Eileen know in the office.

Now is the time to purchase your new school uniform clothing from Educational Outfitters at 8160 La Mesa Blvd., La Mesa CA 91942 (619) 466-5437. There are no changes to the uniform policy. Please remember that navy sweaters are only for grades 7 and 8. Girls wearing the sleeveless vest sweater must have the white button down collar blouse to wear with it. Church dress shoes must be a black leather shoe for both girls and boys. Girls in grades 7 and 8 may wear a slip-on leather flat (non-ballerina style). The uniform dress policy can be found on the school's web site. You can always stop by the school to look through the used uniform inventory. Feel free to take what you need!