



Shamrock Newsletter

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Upcoming Dates

Aug. 24th: Orientation / Open House (6:00 p.m.)

Aug. 26th: Early Dismissal

Aug. 28th: Fall School Photos

After Hours Pick Up

ALL parents picking up their child from After Hours will enter through the side gate and cafeteria doors. The front doors to the school will be locked at **4:00 p.m.** The side gate, from which you will enter the school grounds, will be **unlocked from dismissal until 5:30 p.m.**

Mass Schedule

The first weekly school wide liturgical celebration will be held **Thursday, August 20th at 8:10 a.m.** in **St. Patrick Church.** Parents are invited to join us at these weekly celebrations.

Due to the extreme heat, boys will be allowed to wear their uniform shorts on Thursdays, until otherwise notified. However, if their class is hosting mass they MUST wear uniform pants. They will be allowed to change into their shorts following the mass.

Choir News

The St. Patrick School Choir will begin practicing on **Thursdays from 2:45 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.** Any students in grades second through sixth interested in participating in choir are welcome to join. The first practice will be held Thursday, August 27th. Please watch for a sign up form in next week's green folders.

More news on back!

Dismissal

If you choose to park in the church parking lot and walk across Davis Street to pick up your child, please wait until all of the students in the class are seated. Then **make the teacher aware** that you are there to pick up your child.

If you choose to stay in the pick up line, please **remain in your vehicle**, and one of the teachers will place your child in the back seat at one of the two entrances of the circular drive.

BE IN CLASS ON TIME

Mornings are hectic for everyone, especially for parents of small children. However, we ask that you please **make every effort** to get your child to school in plenty of time to be in his/her classroom by the time the second bell rings each morning. This helps eliminate stress and makes for a more enjoyable and productive day! Thank you.

Volunteers Needed

Please contact the school office if you missed the opportunity to sign up for any of the following:

- (1) Homeroom Parent or Parent Helper.
- (2) Advisory Council Committee such as Technology, Building and Grounds, Publicity, and more.
- (3) School Committees such as Irish Fest, Fall Fest, Book Fair, and more.

Attention!

Volunteers desperately needed for:

1. Weeding the garden at the front entrance to the school.
2. Assisting Mrs. Joan Albert on Tuesday afternoons beginning at 2:45 p.m. for soccer. No prior knowledge of soccer is necessary.
3. Stuffing green folders on Monday mornings.

Piano

Mrs. Peggy Joyce Johnson is accepting new students for piano lessons for this school year. If you are interested in these lessons for your child, please contact the school at (601) 482-6044. Lessons for adults are also available.

Student Handbook Information

Much valuable information is provided to you through the Student Handbook. Please be sure to **READ IT THOROUGHLY** with your child. If you have not yet returned the Handbook Signature Page signed by you and your child, please do so by **tomorrow**.

Miscellaneous Forms

If you received any forms at Registration that were supposed to be returned to us (including Handbook Signature Page, Internet Agreement Form, etc.) and you have not yet done so, please take care of this immediately. Please be sure that we have updated immunization forms, birth certificates, social security numbers, and baptismal certificates (if applicable) on file for your child. A note will be sent home in the near future if we are missing any of this important information.

Free and Reduced Lunch Forms

If you received a Free and Reduced Lunch Form at Registration and have not returned it, please do so immediately. If you did not receive this form and are interested in this program, please contact the school office.

SchoolReach Program

At registration, each family should have been given a letter explaining the SchoolReach Program and a form to complete which will be utilized in the event of an emergency or very important announcement. For example, we will use this program should we have early dismissal in the event of severe weather.

We need your cooperation in supplying us with correct, current contact information. Please be certain that you filled your form out correctly at registration. Thank you.

Teacher Snacks

For several years now, each Friday during the school year, our parents are kind enough to provide snacks for the staff. For the month of August, the snacks will be provided by the Parent School Association. Each month thereafter a different grade will be responsible for the Friday snacks for our staff. A schedule will be provided to the homeroom parents who will coordinate this activity. Details will be provided to the homeroom parents regarding types of snacks and when and where to bring them. Thank you.

WELCOME TO THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR!

**May it be an exciting year of
learning and growing.**

**May God bless our staff, our
students and all our families
abundantly!**



