

Newsletter-9/7/22



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Principal's Thoughts

September typically is a warm month but this is a bit crazy! I am so grateful for all the fundraising efforts that had been done in the past to fund our “new” HVAC system; we are sure getting our money’s worth now. Please know that we are monitoring the temperature throughout the day and making adjustments to our schedules. Knowing that the children need fresh air and movement, we are trying to get them outside as much as possible but with safety in mind. In the afternoon, we are implementing our “rainy day” schedule which means having lunch, lunch recess and PE indoors. Please be sure you are sending a water bottle with your child(ren) each day. Should there be a power outage, I will send a message via Schoolmessenger to inform you of any changes in the school day (i.e. early dismissal etc.) This platform is used to communicate all schoolwide messages that are time sensitive. The contact information is pulled from PowerSchool and all family email addresses and phone numbers have been entered into this SIS (School Information System.) If you did not receive my letter sent on August 12th, be sure to check your spam folder or that you did not previously block this sender. Stay cool, hydrated and remember this too shall pass!

St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

Annual Disaster Drill

- Each year we are required to practice our Disaster procedures should an evacuation need to take place.
- This drill is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 14th @ 11:00am.**
- All students will begin the drill by practicing the “duck and cover” procedure. When the “all clear” is given the students will be dismissed to the field.
- ALL PRESCHOOL FAMILIES & THOSE NEW TO ST. AGNES will need to pick-up their children between 11:30-12:00 by entering into the faculty parking lot and following the directions of our teachers.
- Please have your ID ready and you will be asked to sign the Disaster Release Form. You will be directed to pull forward and your child(ren) will be brought to you.
- You are welcome to take your child(ren) home for the day or bring them back after lunch at 1:00. Please drive to the flag pole and call us if you are returning at that time.

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• **Family Handbook**

- The 2022-2023 Family Handbook is now posted on our website for your review under the Parents tab in Resources and Forms.
- Please read this document carefully and share the information with your children, as it outlines all our policies and procedures.
- **All** families members must sign the acknowledgement page and return it to the school office by September 15th.

• **Last Chance for Bocce!**

- The tournament is this Saturday!
- Don't forget to buy your tickets, the flyer with registration information has been posted on our website.

• **Great News!**

- This summer I submitted a grant to the Trust Fund, a VERY Catholic friendly organization, requesting funds to help pay for our new social studies curriculum.
- Last Friday, I received a check in the amount of \$13,000 to pay for all of the materials!!!!
- This group has been very good to us in past and has paid for our FOSS science curriculum as well as a class set of Chromebooks.

- **God is good!**

• **CYO Basketball**

- Late player registration is open through September.
- Please see stagnescyo.com for more information
- Notes:
 - Player evaluations are 9/10-11 and 9/17-18 at St. Agnes. See the schedule online!
 - 7th grade boys need a coach - please check the Basketball -> Coach Info tab to register.
 - The CYO Basketball board is looking for a Secretary and a Webmaster.
- Reach-out to JP Zingmark/AD (jpzingmark@gmail.com) for more information. Go Irish!

• **Annual St. Vincent De Paul Friends of the Poor Walk**

- Our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society is hosting a walk-a-thon to raise funds for the poor.
- Please consider participating in this event scheduled for Saturday, September 24th.
- A flyer has been included in your envelope today!

Pace Board News

• **It's Time to Dine Out!**

- Our first Dine Out of the year will take place at Skipolini's Pizza in Clayton TODAY!
- The flyer in your family envelope must be presented for all orders (dine-in or take out.)
- We thank Skips for donating 15% of your order back to St. Agnes School.

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TIME SENSITIVE

- **Good News!**
 - You are welcome to walk your children on campus in the morning, now that we have our drop off procedures down! Thank you for your patience as families figured out traffic patterns in their neighborhoods and established their own morning routines.
 - Please be sure to use the crosswalk at the Ministry Center.
 - **If you elect** to walk your children on campus, please park in the lot in front of the Chapel. Our preschool families are required to park and sign their children into school per licensing requirements and need to have a parking space. Our parishioners also need to park in order to attend Mass.
 - **Afternoon pickup procedures will remain the same.**
- **"Relax, Read and Earn"**
 - The deadline to submit the form for this summer reading program is THIS Friday, **September 9th**.
 - You can return the form in your family envelope and it will be given to Mrs. Cesca.
- **Altar Server Training**
 - Any student in grade 3 or above who has received their First Communion is encouraged to join this important ministry.
 - Training will take place on Saturday, September 17th @ 12pm in the church.
 - A flyer with additional details has been posted on our website.

	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
9/7	• Minimum Day: 12:00 Dismissal
9/9	• Read, Relax & Earn Forms Due • Last Day for STAR Testing
9/10	• Work Party 9-1
9/11	• 24 th Sunday of Ordinary Time Lk 15:1-32
9/12	• Kinders Begin Full Days!
9/13	• PACE Meeting 6:30 in Cauchi Hall
9/15	• Picture Day: Preschool-4 (Formal)
9/16	• Picture Day: Grades 5-8 (Formal)
9/22	• Wheel-a-thon -12 Dismissal
9/23	• No School-Diocesan Elementary Staff Day