



St. Vincent de Paul School

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What's happening?

August 4, 2022

18th Week in Ordinary Time

August 8-26

Office Hours 9:00-3:00 with Lunch from 12-1

August 25

New Family Night
Meeting for Families new to our School 6-7pm
All School Ice-cream Social 7:15-8:15pm

August 29

First Day of School for Students in Kindergarten Through Grade 8 8:30-noon

August 30

First Day of School for Prek 8:30-noon
First Day of School for Preschool 1-3pm

September 2 & 5

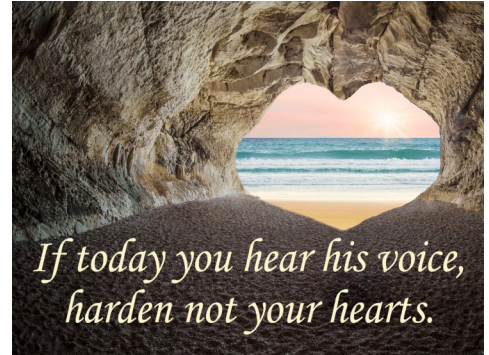
Labor Day Holiday

September 6

School Resumes

Dear Families,

Can you believe that the first day of school is just a few weeks? The summer has gone by quickly. I hope you have had a wonderful summer with your family. As I write this letter, I am patiently waiting our first grandchild to arrive. Every child is a precious gift from God. Let's be sure to take time to share our love and God's love with our little ones.



I know that some of you are wondering what, if any, COVID guidelines we will have as we start the year. So far the guidelines haven't changed since last June, and I do expect to hear from the Health Department within the next couple of weeks. We will continue our safety practices of using hand sanitizer upon entering rooms, wiping desks between class changes, keeping windows and doors open with a fan in one window, and using the air purifiers.

I am so happy to let you know that Tony McCarl is joining our team as our new Development Director. Mr. McCarl's areas of focus will be coordinating the auction, marketing, and advancement of the Endowment. Mr. McCarl earned his Bachelor of Science in Communication from the University of Phoenix. He has experience in sales management, customer experience, video production, operations management, and communications. Mr. McCarl is very familiar with St. Vincent's as his two children attended our school. Please help me welcome Tony.

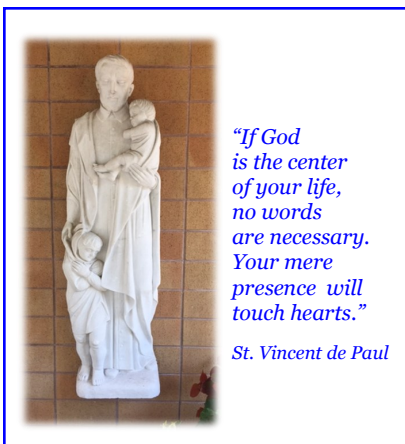
There is always so much to think about at the beginning of the school year. Let's keep the "main thing" the "main thing." We are a faith-filled Catholic school that promotes academic achievement and spiritual development for our students and their families. This is reflected through worship, learning, support of each other, and service to the community. Together we can help our children learn to think, act, and love like Jesus. With this in mind, take a look at the information and reminders listed in this note.

Please keep all of the people in our community who are ill in your prayers.

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

With my love and prayers,

Wanda



Fundraising

This year we plan to continue with our three major fundraisers: the raffle, auction, and scrip gift cards. More about the raffle and auction to come. Your family fundraising requirement for this year is \$750.

You can be purchasing scrip gift cards now as well as be using the RaiseRight app. With this fundraiser you are not buying anything extra, you are just spending the money you would spend anyway. All it takes is purchasing the card from the school or using the online app to purchase electronic gift cards right when you are making a purchase. Some families have received all of their fundraising credit just from purchasing scrip.

Be sure to link your Fred Meyer Rewards card to our school and select St. Vincent de Paul School for your Amazon Smile Rewards. We receive a check from Kroger twice a year thanks to the school and parish families who have their cards linked to St. Vincent's.

We will also be having the Charleston Wrap fundraiser again this fall.

Service Time

Families will be expected to complete 35 hours of service time this year. These hours can be earned by service to the school or parish. We can have vaccinated volunteers in the building this year. Be sure that you are current on the Safe Environment requirements. New families need to create an account to register for the Safe Environment training at virtusonline.org.

Ice Cream Social

Help us welcome our new teachers and new families at the All School Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 25, 7:15-8:15 pm! Families new to our school will attend a meeting from 6-7 pm before the social. I am excited to have the new families join our wonderful St. Vincent community! If you have a buddy family, plan to meet them for the social!

Afternoon Carpool

For afternoon pick-up, the front driveway will be open for daycare drivers only. All other cars will need to drive around to the blacktop parking pick up area. **We do not allow 8th Avenue Street carpool parking or pick-up.** If you are a daycare driver or if your child is picked up by a daycare van, call me to reserve a place in the front driveway. If you picked up in front last year, you still need to call me again this year to reserve a place at carpool.

Alert Solutions

I will be using SwiftK-12 Alert messaging again this year for text messages, emails, and alerts. Please be sure your cell numbers and email addresses are up-to-date. The PowerSchool Parent Portal will be open again after the first day of school.

Directory Information

If you do not want your number published in the directory, or if you do not want us to publish your child's picture or information in newsletters or on the website, please let Mrs. Stewart know in writing by September 6th. Please read the directory information section of the handbook.

Emergency Information

If you have any changes in your emergency information, please email Mrs. Wolf or call the office by the first day of school.

First Day of School! When & where do we meet?

K-8: On August 29th, we will meet at 8:30 am in the courtyard between the school and Activity Center for classroom assignments. Please send your child to school on the first day in uniform and with his/her supplies, including the comfort kit, if you are preparing it. Noon dismissal on this first day!

Pre-K: On August 30st, we will meet in the courtyard at 8:30.

Preschool: On August 30st, we will meet in the courtyard at 1 pm.

Immunizations

Please be sure your child's immunizations are up to date. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Wolf. We need verification on file in the office before the first day of school.

Morning Drop Off—Extended Care

We will be using the outside entrance to Cascade for morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. If you have any questions regarding our Extended Care Program, contact the office. Be sure to register for Extended Care whether for morning or afternoon.

Uniform Guideline Reminders

Following the uniform guidelines demonstrates respect for yourself and others, as well as respect for our school. Students and parents, thank you for paying attention to the guidelines! Please check the School Handbook for details.

Hair: Be sure the hair is back to your child's normal, natural color. Boys' hair should be cut above the eyebrows and above the collar. Girls' hair should be away from the eyes.

Socks: Over-the-ankle sock colors are listed in the handbook.

Shoes: Sport shoes must be comfortable, practical, and neat in appearance for school. They should be in the following plain colors or a combination of these colors: black, white, or gray. No plaid, prints, or designs. Logos, shoe soles, trim, and laces must also be in these colors: black, white, or gray. Sandals are not appropriate for safety reasons. Boots of any kind are not appropriate wear during the school day. Boots may be worn to and from school on snowy days, but student will need to bring regular sport shoes to wear during the day.

PE Shoes: Grades Preschool-8: An appropriate pair of PE shoes are required to be kept at school.

Sweatshirts: The only pullover sweatshirts that can be worn with the school uniform are the St. Vincent School sweatshirts.

Sweatshirt & T-shirt Orders

An order form is attached to the note. Place your orders quickly. The first order will be placed on September 2nd. The next order will be later in late October. The St. Vincent T-shirts may be worn for PE and on St. Vincent T-shirt Days.

Parents Association Meeting Dates for the Year:

September , October , November , January , February & -State of the School Meetings (At least one parent must attend one of the State of the School Meetings. February , March and May .

Volunteer Opportunities! We love our volunteers! Thank you!

Be sure your background check is current and that you have completed (or are scheduled to take) the Safe Environment Training. Check this by going to virtusonline.org. *Volunteers who work in the building or during recess/lunch must be vaccinated.*

Join our SCRIP Team!

Sell SCRIP gift cards every morning (8:15-8:45) and afternoon (2:45-3:15).

___ morning ___ Th

___ afternoon ___ T ___ F

Join our Lunchroom Set-up Team!

___ morning ___ F

Join our Recess Volunteer Team!

Keep the recess time fun and safe for all students!

Recess times: ___ 10:00-10:30 ___ 12:00-1:10 ___ 2-2:15 ___ M ___ T ___ W ___ Th ___ F

Join our Extended Care Team!

Assist the Extended Care supervisor for a morning or afternoon each week or multiple mornings or afternoons weekly.

___ AM extended care 6:30-8:10am ___ M ___ T ___ W ___ Th ___ F

___ PM extended care 3-6pm ___ M ___ T ___ Th ___ F 2-6pm ___ W

Join our Penny's Park Playground Team!

Keep the play area clean and safe! On your assigned monthly weekend, pick up any trash and rake or turn bark as needed. Using a blower, blow the sidewalk that goes up to the blacktop, the driveway between the building and the park, and the entryways. Report any safety concerns to Mrs. Stewart. After storms, please check the play area as soon as possible.

___ Work in the evenings or on weekends!

Print Name _____ phone _____ email _____

If you would like to volunteer, please return this form to Mrs. Stewart or send her an email.