

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

REVIEW/PREVIEW

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Dates to Remember

- 8/18 - Hot Lunch Begins
- 8/19 - Back to School Night (Grades K-4th)
- 8/21 - Picture Day
 - Back to School Night (Grades 5th-8th)
- 8/22 - Parent Club Meeting 8:15AM
- 8/26 - Band/Baton Visit to Classrooms
- 8/2/ - Choir Starts 7:00AM
- 9/1 - No School/Labor Day Holiday
- 9/5 - Minimum Day - Noon Dismissal
- 9/9 - CSAC Meeting 5:00PM
 - New Parent Meeting 6:00PM

Hot August Nights

Thank you to all who attended this fun filled event.

Discount Cards are still available in the office for sale. The class that sells the most will win

Gamez on Wheels Party!

The student who sells the most will receive a \$50 gift card to a store of their choice!

From Our Principal Mr. Rucker:

Dear Holy Family Parents,

Thank you all for being a part of the exciting start to the 2014-15 school year! It was so nice to see all of your kids – as well as all of you – participating in our morning prayer and Mass on the first day of school last Wednesday. I couldn't imagine a better start to the school year then to see such a strong showing of faith and support for the school.

The momentum of support carried through over the weekend in the form of Hot August Nights. My sincere appreciation goes out to Mrs. Jennifer Bishop and all of the volunteers that she coordinated to put on a fantastic weekend of fun here on campus. The Student Council did a tremendous job putting on the Homecoming Dance on Friday night, and the Car Show, Vendors, Food Trucks and Games on Saturday were a blast. A personal bit of thanks for all of you that took the time to come and dunk me in the dunk tank, as it was a hot day and you kept me very cool (the Sedgwick kids have tremendous aim).

And the support for the school continued this morning, as we received a special donation of school supplies from Advance America courtesy of Mrs. Donna Barsotti. The school supplies will be distributed by teachers for students as the need arises, and we are very grateful for the generosity.

Please remember that Picture Day is this Thursday for all students, and that we have Back-to-School Nights on Tuesday and Thursday as well.

Last but definitely not least, I would like to express my appreciation to all of you for the warm welcome to Holy Family. Whether you came in over the summer to say hello, or simply introduced yourself to me this least week, I greatly appreciate all of the kind words of support and encouragement. Here's to a fantastic school year – Go Hornets!

Box Tops

Just a reminder that we have our Box Top kick-off underway right now for a free Leatherby's ice cream. Please submit 25 boxtops (No Labels for Education) with your child's name on baggie. The deadline for the August contest is Friday, August 29, 2014.

Next month will be the class competition!

Shari Alexander

Box Top Coordinator



Back to School Night

Tuesday August 19, 2014

Kindergarten 5:30PM

1st Grade 6:00PM

2nd Grade 6:30PM

3rd Grade 7:00PM

4th Grade 7:30PM

Thursday, August 21, 2014

5th Grade 6:00PM

6th Grade 6:30PM

7th Grade 7:00PM

8th Grade 7:30PM



Food Bank

We will be collecting

Mac n' Cheese

Until September 30th



Mrs. Hernandez:

Hello! Welcome to Kinder! My newest Angels have already melted my heart. What a wonderful group of children! In Language Arts we will be testing our alphabet letters and sounds this week. There is no test preparation we just need to measure their benchmark placement. We will begin our curriculum in all subjects. **At home review of the letters a,b,c,d,e,f,g, should be done. They will be tested on identifying each letter, letter sounds and naming something that begins with the letter. On Friday they may bring one share toy that begins with any of those letters. They will share their item in Circle Time.** In Math we will be testing how high they can count. No preparation is needed we are just needing a benchmark.

Back to School night is Tuesday at 5:30pm in our classroom. Homework begins next week and will be nightly Monday-Thursday. Please send in \$5.00 to cover your child's school folders if you have not already done so. Also I need a First or Second Birthday picture of your child by tomorrow morning please. Blessings!

Mrs. Polnasek:

Welcome to *Second Grade!* It was so great meeting the students and hearing all about their fun summer vacations. I look forward to getting to spend the year with each one of them! This week we will slowly get into what will become our normal routine. Spelling homework went home over the weekend and will be due on Friday. Math will begin this week, which your child will be bringing home to complete Side B everyday for homework. I will go further into the homework routine at Back-to-School-Night, which is this coming Tuesday at 6:30. I hope to see you all there!

This Week at a Glance:

Language Arts: short vowels, characters and setting, sentences (test Fri.)

Math: numbers to 100, time to the hour, pattern blocks, addition facts (doubles)

Religion: tour of church, Ch. 1 Jesus is the Son of God

Science: matter

Social Studies: Welcome to Second Grade

Mrs. Chapman:

Welcome! I am very excited to have such a wonderful class. We also welcome three new students to Holy Family Lily, Eva, and Rebecca. This week we will complete all classwork/homework in class. Your child's completed work will be sent home this Friday August 22nd. Please join us for a Back to School Night meeting on August 19th, 2014 at 6:00pm. This is a great opportunity to get to know each other and answer any questions you may have about your child's first grade classroom. Back to School night agenda will review policies and procedures for the classroom. We will also discuss homework assignments, volunteer responsibilities and other very important information. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at achapman@holyfamilyca.org.

Mrs. McCarley:

It was a pleasure meeting all of your wonderful students last week. We had a very busy week getting to know how things work in our classroom and reviewing the things that we will be learning about in 3rd grade. This week we will be jumping into our curriculum feet first. We have a lot of fun and important things to cover. It will be an exciting year! In Math we will be learning about time, 2-digit numbers, rectangles, measuring in inches, and solving problems. In Language Arts we will be reading the story *When Charlie McButton Lost Power* and working on sentences. In Science we will begin our Astronomy unit by learning about the solar system. Our religion chapter will teach us about the life of Jesus. We will be attending Mass on Thursday morning. Finally, our PE classes for the school year will take place on Monday and Tuesday. I look forward to seeing you at back to school night tomorrow, August 19th.

Mrs. Sedgwick:

I would like to welcome back everyone to school! It is going to be a fantastic school year for us! This week Grant Andre is our Rock Star! **Back to School Night for 4th grade is tomorrow** night from 7:30-8:00 p.m. Many details about our class will be provided during this time. School **Picture Day is Thursday, 8/21/14**. Picture envelopes may be turned into me. We will be reading the story, "Yang the Youngest" this week. We will learn about suffixes, sequence, and tone of voice and words ending in -ed. All language arts tests including spelling, vocabulary, grammar, and comprehension will be this Friday. We have a new religion series this year! Please check out our new books with your children. Students **may not write** in these books. We will have our first religion test for the year on Thursday; students may go to www.webelieveweb.com for a study guide review of chapter 1. In math, we will learn about sequences, place value, writing numbers through 999, missing addends and expanded form. We also have a new science curriculum for 4th grade this year! Students will complete lessons 1-3 this week. Our first social studies test will be on Tuesday, 8/26/14. Students may use the Studies Weekly website for review at www.studiesweekly.com. PE will be on Mondays and Wednesdays this year. Students will **bring** their PE shirts in their backpacks to school. Please remember to send in \$5.00 for the school planner, if you have not done so already. This is how our students will keep organized. Please use the Holy Family Catholic School website for information regarding our class. I will post upcoming tests, free dress days, and any other important reminders there. We are off to a great start, I know that we will work together to help the children have a great year!

Mrs. Diaz:

Welcome to the new school year! After spending the first week of school reviewing the syllabus and rules and procedures for class, middle school English classes have gotten underway in their vocabulary and grammar lessons. Unit 1 vocabulary was begun today, Monday, August 18. We'll be finishing the workbook exercises this week and will continue to study the 20 words until the test at the end of next week. Also, students began review of nouns in the grammar text book. A test on nouns and pronouns will be at the end of next week as well. Specific dates will be announced to students. Lastly, daily journal writing will begin this week.

Mrs. Altobell:

Welcome back to school! It's so nice to see so many smiling faces! This week we will begin reviewing number lines, sequences, and word problems in math. Daily homework starts today! We will be reading the story "Red Kayak" in language arts this week, identifying character, setting, and plot. We will learn to identify types of sentences in grammar, and will work with VCV and VCCV words in spelling. We will take our first language arts weekly tests this Friday. In science, we will begin our study of water on Earth. We will be reviewing geography terms in social studies this week. In religion, we will begin learning the "Hail, Holy Queen" prayer and begin our study of chapter 1 this week.

I look forward to seeing you at Back to School Night on Thursday! Have a great week!

Mrs. Remick:

Welcome back! A special welcome to our new 8th grader, Sebastian Barsotti. What a blast the Junior High had at the dance on Friday night. Congratulations to Homecoming King Zach Moes and Homecoming Queen Angelina Abad. I'm looking forward to seeing parents at Back to School Night on Thursday. Last week I asked that both textbooks be covered by today. Please make sure textbooks are covered. Student planners were distributed to all junior high students last week the cost is \$5.00. I ask that planners be paid for by Wednesday. Also, a reminder that boys are required to wear a belt and have their shirts tucked in. PE, Art, and Spanish begin this week. PE uniforms are required. I asked 7th grade to bring inexpensive rosary beads and a silent reading book to school each day.

This week 6th-8th grade will be working on Chapter 1 in both Social studies and Science. Time to plan on Chapter 1 tests in both subjects next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Swartz:

Thank you to all of my new students, parents and fellow faculty for such a warm welcome my first week here at Holy Family! I am very happy to be joining this wonderful community.

This week we spent getting to know each other (well, mostly me getting to know them J) and beginning lessons 1 and 2 in our math books. (Parents please make sure your children's books get covered.)

Next week begins our first full week!

In **Math** we will continue to review and then move on to new material.

In **Religion** we will get our brand new textbooks (please cover) and begin our journeys of faith together in each class.

8th grade Homeroom: Thursday is Picture Day. Picture order forms went home with your students on Friday, please fill out and send to school on Thursday with payment or you can prepay online before Thursday. Thursday evening is Back to School Night for grades 5-8. The schedule is available on our new school website. Have a great week!

Art/Mrs. Biller:

SLEs A1, C1, and D2

CREATIVE EXPRESSION

Communication and Expression Through Original Works of Art.

2.7 Design a work of public art appropriate to and reflecting a location

Student Objectives: students to identify public works of art completed by blown glass artist Dale Chihuly, Anasazi rock artists, and bronze sculptors of Loveland, Colorado. Students to create clay works of public art representing nature.

Note: the first art quiz will be given to students in grades 4-8 during their final art session in September. An updated online study guide will be provided by end of August.

FIRST ART CONTEST: Share the Experience Official Federal Recreation Lands 2014 Photo Contest. Visit www.sharetheexperience.com for details. Bring work to class for instructor review and credit.

Thank you, Mrs. Bishop, for eye-catching banners generated from student art work for Hot August Nights. Thank you, Mrs. Cannon, for the outstanding, comprehensive display of student art work at the festival.

Featured portfolio artist through September: Katarina Alexander, photographer.

Mrs. Patterson:

Welcome back. I am looking forward to a very exciting year in math. If you have any question, please feel free to contact me any time at lpatterson@holyfamilyca.org.

I will be available this week during back to school night for any and all questions regarding the placement of your students in math classes and what will be required of your students this year.

6th Grade:

This week sixth grade will be introduced to one step equations and the thrilling concept of integers and how to add and subtract them. From time to time I will be posting astounding statistics of all of my math classes in the review/preview. This week, the sixth grade had a 93% "NO REDO" rate. That means on the first attempt at homework in my class, almost the entire class did not have to redo any of their math homework. Great job sixth grade!!

7th Grade:

We are at the beginning of what will be a fun and challenging book. The Pre-Algebra curriculum will have this very perceptive class reeling at times. I'm sure they will be remarkable as always. We finished the first eight lessons last week, so that means we will be having a test this week on the first five lessons. I will be administering the assessment on either Tuesday or Wednesday. A big shout out goes to the seventh grade for achieving a 93% NO REDO as a class. Once again this seventh grade class gave a stellar performance.

8th Grade:

Eighth grade has jumped in with both feet this year. We have completed the first eight lessons. That means that we will be having an assessment this week. I have planned on having this assessment on Wednesday with a full review on Tuesday. I will post the class average after the assessment has been completed.

Special Note:

Math Lab is on Wednesday

From 3-4 p.m.

Mrs. Olmedo:

iBienvenidos! Welcome Back!

I am looking forward to a new year and seeing everyone. I have some fun things planned for this year so stay tuned.