

End of Year & Summer Newsletter



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Mission Statement: With Jesus as our role model, St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School exists to educate the youth of the area spiritually, morally, academically, and socially in a safe, Catholic, Christ-centered environment.

Dear Parents,

We would like to express our thanks to you for entrusting us with your child's education this school year. Please know that your support and cooperation throughout this unusual and challenging year is appreciated. It has truly been a privilege and pleasure to have the opportunity to help your child grow and learn. It is our hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer and we look forward to the start of a hopefully more "normal" 2021-2022 school year. **Our theme for the 2021-22 school year will be "God is Always BAYOU"**. Congratulations to **6th graders Jenna Allemand and Peyton Rodrigue** whose artwork was selected to be on our spirit shirt.

IMPORTANT END OF YEAR DATES AND INFORMATION:

- **Last day of the After Care Program** – Monday, May 24th
- **Last day of the Before Care Program** – Tuesday, May 25th
- **Last day of the 2020-2021 school year** – Tuesday, May 25th – **no schoolbags needed.**
Mass at 8:15 a.m. followed by awards given to students by teachers in their homeroom class.
DISMISSAL ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, TUESDAY, MAY 25th is at 10:30 a.m. – All students will be dismissed at this time and **NO BUS TRANSPORTATION** is available on the last day of school. Students who normally walk home may do so. Students who are normally car riders are to be picked up in the regular car line on Menard Street. Students who normally are bus riders are to be picked up by car in the bus circle on Cardinal Drive.
- **Before and After Care Registration for the 2021-22 School Year** – **all families are expected to register every year for the program. You are not automatically included for the next school year.** If you have not already registered, **registration for the 2021-22 school year will be Thursday, July 22nd from 4:00-6:00 p.m.** in the faculty lounge.
A parent or legal guardian must complete and sign the registration form. A fee of \$10.00 per family is due at the time of registration. If you are not going to be available on the above date, you may come by the school office during summer hours to obtain a registration form. Please be accurate with the information on the form as no changes will be made to ledger cards during the first week of school. Only people you designate when registering your child will be allowed to sign them out. * **Any child not registered by the above time will not be allowed to begin Before/After Care the first week of school. Also, a late registration fee of \$20.00 per family will be assessed after July 22nd.**
- **Medications** – if you have medication for your child stored in the office (including inhalers, epi-pens, etc.), these will be kept at school for use in 2021-2022. If for any reason the medication will be needed over the summer, you can come by the office during summer hours to pick it up.
- Provided it can be held as usual, **Uniform "Give-or-Take"** will be held Thursday, July 22nd from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the gym.

- **PRAYER LINE** - We would like to **update the list of intentions on our Prayer Line** to ensure they are current. Please forward all intentions to Hannah Arceneaux: hannah.arceneaux@hdiocese.org. A new list will be posted at the beginning of August. Thanks!

***SUMMER OFFICE HOURS**

Open from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, May 26th and 27th.

The office will be closed on Friday, May 28th and Monday, May 31st in observance of Memorial Day.

Open June 1st, 2nd, 3rd – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (closed Friday, June 4th)

The office will be closed from June 7th through July 16th (*call 985-446-1346 to leave a message)

Open July 19th thru July 22nd – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (closed Friday, July 23rd)

Beginning July 26th – Open Monday thru Friday regular school hours.

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Thursday, July 22nd Before and After Care Registration 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the faculty lounge

Wednesday, August 4th First day of 2021-2022 school year for 1st – 7th grade students. Pre-K & KN conferences begin according to schedule (**NO BUSES THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**); Students who will normally be riding the bus should be dropped off and picked up in the bus circle on Cardinal Drive the first day of school.

THOUGHT FOR THE SUMMER: “Enjoy the little things, for one day you may look back and realize they were the big things.” - Robert Brault



Summer Vacation