

ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL
- NEWSLETTER -
UPDATES



August 16, 2017

I would like to take this time to welcome all students to the 2017-2018 faith filled opportunity of learning in a family oriented environment. This is the 101st year of the school and we all look forward to a great year. Also, our doors are always open to the parents. For the safety of our students, all parents/visitors arriving on campus must report to the office to sign in before going to the back area.

We will have Open House on Tuesday, August 22nd beginning at 6:00 p.m., at which time we will introduce all of our qualified and caring faculty and staff. We are proud to have all of our faculty and staff returning to us again this year. Our newest member is Mrs. Claire Clement, who will be teaching Social Studies to our seventh and eighth grade students, along with teaching Keyboarding and Physical Education to our Fifth through Eighth grade students.



In conjunction with the Open House, the Library Club will sponsor a Pizza Sale. Order forms went home yesterday. This gives all the chance to pick up supper, along with visiting the classrooms in the Meet and Greet Open House.

There will be a Boys Scout Meeting on Monday, August 21st in the SFS gym for boys in grades one through five. Forms will be given to the students inviting them to join.



Diocese of Lafayette established a Safe Environment Policy for the protection of children. In order for any parent, grandparent, etc., to participate in any activity with the students of St. Francis, they must be safe environment certified. There will be an initial workshop on Sunday August 27 in Room 5, Mrs.



Susan Christ's classroom beginning at 5:00 p.m. More details were sent home at the beginning of the school year. After the initial workshop, each year renewal of the certification must be obtained. This may be done by going on line to the website: www.virtus.org and following the instructions. There are other area workshop trainings. Notre Dame is conducting an initial training on Tuesday, August 22nd at 6:00 p.m. and a continuing workshop at 6:30 p.m. Please check with your area churches or other Catholic schools for their dates and times.

Last chance to order spirit shirts or P.E. shirts will be on Friday, August 18th. We will be making the order for these shirts on Monday.



SUPPORT ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL

If you are in need of slightly used school uniforms, we have quite a selection in a large array of sizes. Please drop by and check them out.

Lunch application forms were sent home. Please take the time to fill out the forms and return to school as our Title I program, along with federal funding to the school, is based on free and reduced lunches at the school. Please note that applications may also be completed on line at www.MySchoolApps.com. A reminder was sent home that there was going to be an increase in student meal cost from \$2.25 to \$2.30. Visitor meals will increase from \$4.00 to \$4.25.



There is information where you can go on line to see the monthly menus, Website: www.fns-dol.org. Instructions in paying on-line for your child's lunches can be found at myschoolbucks.com.



Fall Sports Events:

Volleyball and soccer will be starting up in the near future. Registration and information was sent to the students. Teams and coaches will be assigned. If you would like to volunteer as a coach with either of these sports, please call the school and speak with Mrs. Bridget Hebert.

With St. Francis being a feeder school to Notre Dame of Acadia Parish, students and staff at St. Francis are invited to participate in football action at Gardiner Memorial Stadium, Crowley, on Friday, September 1st, beginning at 7 p.m. The Notre Dame Pioneers will host LaGrange High School. You only need to wear a St. Francis spirit shirt (any shirt that identifies the school) for free admission to the game.



Fundraisers

Our Pancake Mimosa Bingo scheduled for August 12th was postponed due to not yet receiving our renewal Bingo license. We will reschedule this fundraiser in the future.

Our next fundraiser will be on September 10th. This will be the Jambalaya Dinners along with Bingo. Mrs. Christine Manuel will be sending out work schedules for the fundraiser. As most of you are aware, parents must volunteer 10 hours each school year. By the last fundraiser listed, if you still have hours not fulfilled, a fee of \$100 per hour will be assessed to your account. If you are able to give a couple of hours for the fundraiser, please fill out the form and send it back to school. With all of the fundraisers throughout the year, it will be easy to get the necessary hours.



We are beginning to get sponsors for our Trunk-R-Treat and Chili cookoff scheduled for October 29th. If you know a business that would be willing to sponsor the t-shirts, please have them get in touch with Mrs. Christine Manuel at school.

PLEASE CHECK THE HANDBOOK ON THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
PERTAINING TO OUR UNIFORM DRESS CODE.

