

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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At a Glance:

Aug. 7	New & Used Uniform Sale from Noon to 3:00 p.m. in hall
Aug. 23	Ice Cream Social @ 1:00 p.m. in hall
Aug. 26-28	Minimum Days 11:45 a.m. Dismissal
Sept. 3	Back-to-School Night @ 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 4	First "First Friday" Minimum Day 11:45 a.m. Dismissal
Sept. 10	Parent Club Mtg. @ 7:00 p.m. in hall
Sept. 19	Block Party (more info to follow)
Oct. 6-8	<u>Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences</u>

Uniforms: The New & Used Uniform Sale is this Friday, August 7th beginning at noon in the hall. Also ... parents please remember to have your child's hair cut and brought back to its God-given natural color before the first day of school. Thank you for your continued support regarding hair length.

Ice Cream Social/Kindergarten Orientation: All new families are invited to attend the Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 23rd at 1:00 p.m. New families will have the opportunity to meet members of both the Catholic School Advisory Committee (CSAC) and Parent Club Board. Don't forget, new families also get "first dibbs" at scheduling yard duty days. Kindergarten orientation will take place at 12:15 in the Kindergarten classroom.

First Day of School: School begins at 8:15 a.m. All parents are welcome to join us for Mass at St. Teresa of Avila Church at 8:30 a.m. Just a reminder for students to wear Mass attire: jumpers or skirts for girls and long pants for boys. Sign ups for various functions will be available along with refreshments in the parish hall following mass. Chairpersons will also be available to answer all your questions. Don't forget ... if you are planning to walk your student to class, please drop them off at the door. New parents, the first three days of school are minimum day. That means pick-up begins at 11:45.

Back-to-School Night: Mark you calendar for Back-to-School Night will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the hall on Thursday, Sept. 3rd.

ITBS Testing: Fall standardized testing will begin the week of September 28. We are asking, in advance, for parent assistance by not scheduling family vacations/personal days or student medical/personal appointments during this week if at all possible. To help students do their best during the testing period, please encourage plenty of rest and a nutritious breakfast.

Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences: Parents, please remember ... mark our parent/student/teacher conference dates of Oct. 6-8th on your family calendar. As with standardized testing, please do not schedule any vacations during this important time.

School Website: For the convenience of our parents, we are posting more and more forms and information on the school website. If you'd like to see additional information, please let us know.

Student Medicine: All medicine for students (prescription and over-the-counter) must be in the original container and must have a signed medical release (form available in the office) from your child's doctor in order for any medications to be administered by the office staff. The office also has a medical release form that needs to be filled out and signed by the parents. Please pick up these forms in the school office if your child will be taking medication at school. Thank you.

Confirmation: Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 7th at 11:00 a.m. Please keep the weekend of October 10th and 11th open for our overnight retreat at the Marelo Center in Rocklin. All confirmandi are expected to attend. Also, all confirmandi receiving Confirmation at St. Teresa's must call the St. Teresa of Avila parish office (530.889.2254) to schedule an appointment before November 1st. We have intentionally requested a later Confirmation date this year so that the entire preparation for Confirmation happens in the 8th grade year (community service hours aside).