

## DMCS Summer e-newsletter July 12, 2018

Dear Parents-

July is flying by! The sound of work in our staff lounge, first floor rest rooms, gymnasium, classrooms and hallways fill our days. I pray that it will all be put back together in time for school to begin.

Summer care programs are going strong as these hot days pass by. The sounds of students playing in the water, returning from visits to the nature center and other local attractions, making crafts, and laughing as they play outside fill our days. It is a wonderful sound.

Have you talked to anyone interested in a Catholic School education recently? Enrollment is looking good, but there is still room in each grade. Please help us spread the word, we offer an incredible value for the tuition- Faith-based education with strong emphasis on academics and character development. What more could you want for your child? We thank you for placing your trust in us and helping us spread the word. You and your children are our best advertisement!

Student laptops arrived this week that will help us expand our one to one initiative into grade 3. As you know, 4 and 5 are already there and with the reallocation of iPads, we are getting closer in K, 1 and 2. Although we never plan to allow students to take these devices home (6<sup>th</sup> grade is early enough for that), this allows each student to have access to an electronic device in the classroom and provides opportunities for our teachers to utilize the most recent technology for instruction in their classrooms. This continues us on our way to a goal of being one to one in grades K through 5. Thank you to everyone who participated in the Catholic United Financial Raffle this winter. The funds we raise go directly to technology enhancements. Your help is appreciated, and our students benefit from this.

**\*\*Important\*\*** If you have tried calling school over the last few months, you may have had some difficulty. We want everyone to be aware that **we are having huge issues with our phone system** and **we apologize** for any difficulty or delay in response. We have purchased a new system and it will be installed over the next few weeks. Until it is completely put in, we do not have the ability to accept voicemail messages or transfer calls. **The best way to reach us is through email.** I can be reached at [gashley@dmcs.cc](mailto:gashley@dmcs.cc). Ginger can be reached at [gvanhecke@dmcs.cc](mailto:gvanhecke@dmcs.cc). Peggy can be reached at [pjohnson@dmcs.cc](mailto:pjohnson@dmcs.cc). I will let you know as soon as our system is fixed. Thank you for your patience!

My final vacation for the summer occurs next week. My husband and I are celebrating our 29<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary by taking a cruise to Alaska. This is a trip we have been promising each other since we married two weeks after my college graduation (needless to say-we were broke and didn't take much of a honeymoon). I will be unable to check email during this time, but I will be sure to respond when we return on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Have a great week at the Rice County Fair while I am gone.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Ashley

*"Whoever welcomes these children,  
welcomes me. Whoever welcomes me,  
welcomes the One who sent me."  
~ Mark 9:37*



*BA students & maintenance staff work hard all summer to ready our building for staff & students.*

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## CRAZY EASY CONVENIENCE



Divine Mercy Catholic School is offering EduKit as a simple and convenient option for busy parents to purchase school supplies for the 2018-19 school year. [ORDER NOW](#) to take advantage of maximum discounts. As always, you will receive our (Edukit) 100% guarantee!

If you have already placed your order, thank you! We appreciate your support of the EduKit program at Divine Mercy Catholic School.

[Order your school supplies in less time than it takes to get the kids in the car!](#)

## Gently Used Clothing

There will be a container in our vestibule for you to drop off any of your child's gently used uniform clothing. This is a great opportunity both for those cleaning out their closets and those whose children have grown out of their uniform clothing.

We will have tables of dress code clothes set up **beginning Monday, August 6th,** at which time you will be able to stop in and see if there is anything you can use. If you have any questions about our dress code, please do not hesitate to call or stop in. We would love to help. Some pitfalls to avoid: Dresses are not part of the dress code. A jumper requires a collared shirt be worn underneath. Be careful that pants do not have cargo pockets and that they are more dress pant than jean or legging. The Dress Code Policy is attached to this newsletter to help clarify things. If you are not sure-please ask!

(Link to Donald's Uniform: [www.donaldsuniform.com](http://www.donaldsuniform.com))



Students in the K-5 Summer Care Program went on a field trip to River Bend Nature Center yesterday.

### Save the Date

August 17 *Family Pool Party*

*See today's flier!*



*Faithful Beginnings campers tried to guess rhyming words during circle time today.*

*Please remember DMCS in your will.*