

# Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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## DMCS Summer e-newsletter August 16, 2018

## Grades K-5—First Day of School August 29, 2018

Preschool Students—First Day of School September 4, 2018

Dear Parents-

The race to the first day of school has begun and we are full throttle forward! Ginger commented to me the other day that it feels like she is a ball in a pinball machine-BING! BING! BING! -and I agree 100%. The days are going so quickly, and we have lots of last minute details to attend to.

Thankfully, all our projects are coming together. The phone system is almost complete. Voice mail is working once again and we are tremendously pleased. The bathrooms, lounge, and all the other little projects are coming along as well. Mr. Robinson has been hard at work on the new 3<sup>rd</sup> grade laptops and our new iPads. We are excited for another great year!

Thank you to all for spreading the word about the great things happening at DMCS. Enrollment is up for the  $6^{th}$  straight year in a row! We are pleased with our slow but steady progress. I am sure many of you recognized new names on the lists that went out last week. We are welcoming new families as well as an exchange student or two. Please talk to your child about welcoming any new students warmly. They are looking for friends and their families are looking for a community to belong to. I believe we are uniquely equipped to offer those very things to our new families, and I thank you for your involvement. This *IS* a great place of welcome!

With this in mind, have you thought about joining us for our back to school picnic and pool party? It is coming soon...in fact, **TOMORROW**! The picnic is from 5:00-6:00 PM at Alexander Park (the shelter right across from the bathrooms) and the PTO sponsored pool party is from 6:00-8:00 at the Aquatic Center. Come join us for food, fellowship, and fun all for free! That's right, NO COST for this event. We can't wait to see you! The Aquatic Center is hosting a movie night showing "Wonder" after our pool party. All are invited to stay for the show.

Mark your calendars for <u>August 27<sup>th</sup></u>. We will be hosting our Back to School Open House with new and expanded hours and opportunities to visit. We hope to provide better opportunities for families to connect with teachers and get their questions answered! We look forward to seeing you sometime during that event.

The gently used clothing exchange is still in progress. There are many items to look at. Please stop by and see if something might work for your child. We would like some of these clothes to find new families and they won't fit any of us! **VIRTUS Training** If you plan to volunteer in you child's classroom or attend a class Field Trip the Archdioceses requires that you complete a Background Check, Code of Conduct and attend a VIRTUS Training session. If you have any questions, please contact the business office at 334-7706.

The next training session at DMCS is: September 17<sup>th</sup> - 6:30-9:30 PM

Before attending the training, you will need to register at <u>www.virtus.org</u> under St.Paul/Minneapolis Archdiocese. <u>All school</u> <u>volunteers</u> must attend VIRTUS Training. You do <u>not</u> need to attend this session if you have attended previously. \*\*



#### PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION NEEDED

The safety of your children is our top priority. The supervision of students during their noon recess is key to their safety. The time would be 10:35 AM to 11:55 AM. If you are able to give of your time please contact Rosie Van Thomme at (507) 334-7706 or sign up at: www.SignUpGenius.com/ go/30E0D49ABA92DA3FF2-augustseptember

If you would be able to help with even just a half hour or more during this time it would be greatly appreciated.

Blessings, Mrs. Ashley

"Whoever welcomes these children, welcomes me. Whoever welcomes me, welcomes the One who sent me." ~Mark 9:37 Like us on Facebook!



~Ma



### 2018 Dad's Belgian Waffle Breakfast

September 9, 2018 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM Divine Mercy Catholic Church/139 Mercy Drive, Faribault Adults \$10.00/Children Ages 4-10 only \$ 5.00 Children 3 and under FREE

Co-Sponsored by the St. Ann's & St. Lawrence Catholic Aid Counsels & DMCS PTO 100% of the proceeds will be donated to DMCS. Matching Grant from Catholic United Financial

We are in need of volunteers to help make this a success. Please sign up at: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49aba92da3ff2-2018</u>.



	August 17	Welcome Picnic 5:00-6:00 Alexander Park
		Family Pool Party 6:00-8:00 Aquatic Center
Parent Teacher Organization	August 27 August 29	Back-to-School Event Kindergarten-Gr. 5 First day of School
We are looking for volunteers to help with the	Aug 31– Sept.	No School - Labor Day Weekend
Back-to-School event. Please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0D49ABA92DA3FF2-back	Sept. 4	Pre-K 2 Day & 5 Day First Day of School
if you are able to lend a hand.	Sept. 5	Pre-K 3 Day First Day of School





Dick Miller, father of Patty Miller/Hot Lunch Director, made and donated a table hockey game for the Summer Care /After School Care K-5 students.

Thank you for the thoughtful and generous gift!