

# Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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# **DMCS Summer eNewsletter August 1, 2019**

Dear Parents-

August is here and with it comes our complete 'Back to School' Enews. Class lists, class supply lists, free and reduced lunch forms, and the 2019-2020 school calendar are included. Besides this email packed with information, preschool parents will also be receiving a postal mailing with all the necessary forms for preschool. Please look these over carefully and don't hesitate to call or stop by with questions. The next three weeks give us opportunities to make all the final preparations for a wonderful start to the school year.

Please note that we will have a bit of a staggered start to the year. Our seasoned students in grades 1-5 will begin the 2019-2020 school year on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Preschool and Kindergarten students will start on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our Preschool and Kindergarten staff will be using these few extra days to meet with parents and students to assure a smooth transition to the school year.

Parents of students in grades 1-5 who will have difficulties with transportation due to no bussing on August 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, please contact us. We will help you find a solution.

There are still many quality, donated dress code items left in our annual exchange. Stop in and browse the tables in the main hallway. The price is right! ©

Robotics and Band camps begin this coming week. I look forward to seeing students in the building and hearing the music of chatter and creative energy filling our hallways.

I hope to see you at some of the upcoming events. The Heritage Days parade is now scheduled for August 9<sup>th</sup> and our back to school picnic and pool party (sponsored by our PTO) is coming up on August 16<sup>th</sup>. I hope you will make plans to attend!

The last day of July saw my 'baby' turn 18. It struck me that after 27 years, I no longer have any children-only adults. These years have passed so quickly, and as I look at my four daughters, I am so proud of the people they have become. I realize that I had wonderful partners in Divine Mercy Catholic School and Bethlehem Academy as I raised them. Parenting is one of the most difficult, challenging, and worthwhile tasks on the Earth. There are incredible highs and gut-wrenching lows. Some days you are filled with fear, and there is always doubt about the choices you are making. I've been there and I understand. That is why, here at Divine Mercy, we consider ourselves your partner. I am here to support you through this process and help you make sure that your children develop into the type of people we would all be proud to know. I hope you see us as a resource for you. We truly care about every child who walks through our doors. If you need something, even if it is just someone to listen, please do not hesitate to reach out. The Catholic Schools of Faribault have been partnering with parents for over 150 years. I've seen the results of the work we do first hand. It makes me proud to say I am the principal here. I am happy to be here to help you in your journey with your children. Enjoy the time you have with them. It is worth so much!

May God bless your week. I hope you enjoy some special time with those that mean the most to you and could you, please, give your children an extra hug tonight? Let them know that we are anxiously waiting to see them back in our classrooms soon. Tell them we miss them.

Mrs. Ashley

"Whoever welcomes these children, welcomes me. Whoever welcomes me, welcomes the One who sent me."

~Mark 9:37

## After School Care Coordinator Position Open

Work hours: 2:30 to 5:30 School Days

Required: 18 years of age or older

High School Diploma

The Coordinator will supervise and plan after school activities for children in Kindergarten-Gr. 5 for the school year.

Send Resume and letter of interest to Regina Ashley at gashley@dmcs.cc by August 9, 2019



Enjoying nature on the playground.











Polka Time at the library!

# faithful + beginnings





### **Dates to Remember**

Aug. 5—Aug. 16 Robotics & Band Camp

August 9 Heritage Days Parade - Join Us

(More information to follow)

August 16 PTO Family Picnic & Pool Party

(More information to follow)

## **Attached/Included in Folder**

- ❖ 2019-2020 Class Rosters
- DMCS Dress Code
- 2019-2020 Student Supply List
- ❖ 2019-2020 Calendar
- ❖ Free & Reduced Lunch Application
- ❖ MN Health Care Program Notification
- Picnic & Pool Party Invite
- What is Scrip



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