

Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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Dear Parents-

Ah Fall....stretches of beautiful weather and then rainy, stormy days. We sure are having our share this week. As students work hard adjusting to the cadence of a new school year, it sure would be nice to get outside! The great news is that they are doing a good job of handling it all and tomorrow is a Care and Share Dress Down Day! For \$1 students may dress in school appropriate dress attire. Our Care and Share Days raise money to support charitable works. This year we look forward to packing "Jesus Food" again in January. Let's see if we can beat the 40,000 meals that we were able to pack last year!



The students have really looked great for school pictures the

last two days. Their smiling faces are a pleasure to see. One click, and a moment in time is frozen forever. How precious!

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the **Waffle Breakfast** at Divine Mercy Catholic Church on **Sunday, September 16**th. This is a great opportunity to support our PTO while enjoying a delicious Waffle breakfast.

Next week, we start our Fall NWEA testing. We do this three times per year to help us see how your child is progressing. We realize that these tests only measure one moment in time and do not give us a complete picture of your child's abilities. They do help inform our instruction and help us do our best for your child. If you would like more information on these tests please visit: https://www.nwea.org/parent-toolkit/

On Monday we will kick off our SPOOKTACULAR fundraising event. This Halloween themed 5K run/walk will be held on **Saturday, October 12th**. We ask all families to help support our school through this fundraiser. Please mark your calendars and spread the word. All are encouraged to run, walk, or participate in the children's races. Look for more information coming soon.

Spirit Fest is almost here. Our Parish Festival will be the weekend of **September 21st and 22nd**. Food, fun and fellowship can be had by all! We sponsor a **book give away** at this event, so if you have any gently used books to give away you may bring them to school to donate between now and Friday, September 20th. We hope to see many of you at Spirit Fest!

It is my sincere hope that the beginning of this school year is going well for you. If you have comments or questions, feel free to reach out. I would love to help you!

Blessings-

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phil 4:13

Mrs. Ashley

<u>Dad's Belgian Waffle Breakfast</u> Tickets for the waffle breakfast are still available you may send your order in with your child and we will send the tickets home. Prices are: Adults \$10/Children ages 4-10 \$5/Children 3 and under are free. (You may also purchase tickets at church.)

The breakfast is at Divine Mercy Catholic Church on Sunday, September 15th, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

We are <u>still in need of volunteers</u> to help make this event a success. To volunteer sign up at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49aba92da3ff2-2019 Thank you for your support!





Mary Herzog, School Nurse

Hearing and vision screening for grades 1-5 will be held on Thursday September 26 in the morning. I am in need of 8-10 volunteers. If you have helped me in the past I would love to have you back! If you have never helped with screening, I will train you that morning. It is easy and very fun to interact with all of our wonderful students. You can contact me by e-mail at dmcs-nurse@dmcs.cc.



	Dates to Remember
Sept. 13	Care & Share Dress Down Day
Sept. 15	Waffle Breakfast
Sept. 18	8:30 Mass - Gr. 3 Host
Sept. 24	Gr. 5 to River Bend Nature Center
Sept. 25	8:30 Mass - Gr. 2 Host
Sept. 26	Vision & Hearing Screening Gr. 1-5 Gr. 2 to River Bend Nature Center
Sept. 27	Reward Dress Down Day

Attached/Included in Folder

- Hot Lunch Statements
- Waffle Breakfast Ticket Order Form
- Expand Your Family with KoAM
- Learn What 4-H Is!
- Join Scouting Gr. K-5

Please Return Your Thursday Folder!

We will be sending home hard copies of the newsletter for the next few weeks. We will also be emailing the newsletter to all of our families. If you do not receive the email with the newsletter please contact Peggy Johnson at pjohnson@dmcs.cc with your email address so that we may update our database. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact Peggy at (507) 334-7706 Ext: 2233 and let us know that you would like to continue to receive hard copies of the newsletter.

KNOW?

Spirit Fest is only a couple of weeks away! We hope you can join us for this fun day of festivities. The committee is asking for your help. We are in need of 16oz. bottles of pop for the all time favorite "Ring-A-Pop" game. All donations can be dropped off at DMCS or DMCC.

<u>VIRTUS Training</u> 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: October 3 - 6:30-9:30 PM

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

<u>SUPERVISION NEEDED</u> The safety of your children is our top priority. The supervision of students during their noon recess is key to their safety. The time commitment would be 10:50 AM to 12:15 PM. If you are able to help please contact Rosie Van Thomme at (507) 334-7706 or sign up at: <u>September Playground Help</u>

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

