



DIVINE MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

Illuminating Minds, Cultivating Faith

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DMCS Newsletter March 4, 2021

Dear Parents-

Happy March! With the turn of the calendar page, we receive assurance that spring is on its way! Each morning as I drive to school the beauty of the sunrise provides a reminder of the lengthening days and ebbing winter.

With the change of seasons, comes challenges on our playground. Next week, we ask that students still bring all their outside gear. The weather is unpredictable, and each day teachers and playground staff will make a decision on what students are asked to wear. Students will not be required to wear their items home. After Spring Break boots and snow pants are not required, however, if your child chooses not to wear them they may be restricted as to what areas of the playground they may use (This will be determined by how wet and muddy areas are). If your child wants to continue playing on the areas that will be wet and muddy, I encourage them to continue to wear their gear. Soon, the sun will melt all the snow and dry our playground areas.

A note for parents who drop off students in the morning:

As the weather has begun to improve, I have noticed an increase in students being dropped off before 7:40 AM. They are congregating at the corner of our building and are not supervised. This is a safety and liability concern for us. Please do not drop your student off before 7:40 AM. Doors will not be open. Students should remain in their cars until the

patrols come out of the building. If you have a need to drop off earlier than 7:40, we have a before care program available. Please call with questions about how to access that.

Thank you to everyone who helped us sell raffle tickets during the Catholic United Financial Raffle! Our school raised over \$17,000.00 to help defray the added costs of substitutes, extra cleaning, and supplies needed to remain in-person this year through the Covid-19 shutdowns. We appreciate the effort that was put into this so much! Top sellers and prizes will be announced Friday, March 5th. Thank you for supporting Divine Mercy!

We look forward to welcoming parents in for conferences on March 9th and 11th. Thank you for taking the time to meet with your child's teacher and discuss their progress. While you are here, we also invite you to take a look at our book fair in the main lobby.

I wish all of you a wonderful Spring Break on March 15th through the 19th. May the weather allow us opportunities to get outside. School resumes with our 4th quarter beginning on March 22nd.

Blessings-

Mrs. Ashley

Every child is a Vision of Hope!



Dates to Remember

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| Mar. 9 and 11 | K-5 Conferences
Book Fair |
| Mar. 12 | End of 3rd Quarter |
| Mar. 15 | Spring Break -19 |
| Mar. 26 | Dress Code Reward Dress Down Day and Lenten Reconciliation Service |
| Apr. 2 | No School-Good Friday |
| Apr. 5 | No School-Easter Monday
Childcare Programs available |



We Need YOU!

Want to further the mission of our school? Interested in Marketing, Advancement, Finance, or Outreach? Want to help engage our community? We are looking for interested people to be part of the School Advisory Council (SAC) in 2021-2022. Contact Gina Ashley (gashley@dmcs.cc) for more information.



DMCS is currently accepting registration for preschool and school age summer care programs.

Info can be found on our website (www.dmcs.cc) or by calling 334-7706.



THANK YOU to **P.A.W.S.** for hosting our family sledding party this past weekend. It was **GREAT FUN!**



Join us for a New Event!!
Tuesday, March 9th from 9:00-9:30am
Holy Half Hour:
30 minutes of hands on learning, prayer, sacred music for parents and their little ones.
Crying babies, wiggly toddlers and curious preschoolers encouraged to attend!

Our church address is:
**139 Mercy Drive,
Faribault**

