

St. Alphonsus Catholic School

Kaleidoscope Connection

Forming Faith and Future

Dr. Cynthia C. Ryals, Principal

May 19, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 20 - School Mass**
- **May 20 - PK3- PK4 Last Day of School**
- **May 24-26 - 6th and 7th Grade Exams**
- **May 25 - Spirit Dress**
- **May 27 - Last Day of School 1:00 p.m. Dismissal**

Last Day of School

On May 27th, we will dismiss at 1:00 pm. and there will be NO aftercare.

New Parish Activity Center

Dr. Ryals, Mrs. Tate, and the faculty and staff are very excited about the new Parish Activity Center! This project will provide much needed space for our school to host events and programs. See below for the details that are published in this week's St. Alphonsus Church bulletin:

Blessings are a gift from God and St. Alphonsus is blessed that our ministries continue to grow each year. To accommodate our growth, we are building a new parish activity center which will benefit our entire parish. The new facility will have a dividable banquet hall, more meeting space, and will be a larger and more efficient building for events. It will include a full kitchen for cooking /serving, and an outdoor pavilion. Our church ministries and the school will have a beautiful venue for adults, youth and children activities including retreats, banquets, receptions, meetings, and other celebrations. The parish activity center will also limit the demand on the Family Center (gym) and church meeting rooms, which are currently used to capacity by both our church and school ministries.

The church has 2.5 million dollars in its Building Fund, which up to that amount will be used for the 50% required by the Diocese of Baton Rouge to obtain a loan. We will use all of the profits from our future Auctions and Festivals and our monthly Building Collection to pay back the loan as quickly as possible. St. Alphonsus School has 2 million dollars in its Savings Fund, which will not be used for this project. These plans will not affect the school operating budget, which is based on tuition and assistance from the church. The budget does not depend on savings or Auction/Festival profits. The Pastoral Advisory Council, the Church Finance Council, and the School Finance Committee all support this plan.

The groundbreaking date for the project will be announced soon. We are hopeful that the parish activity center will open in the summer of 2023! Your support for this project will bring many blessings and new opportunities to our entire parish. We look forward to building a future for all of our parishioners to enjoy!

The Mission of St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic School is to form students in the Catholic Faith spiritually, academically, physically, and culturally in an environment of academic excellence.



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Kindergarten Promotion

Congratulations to our Kindergarten classes on their Promotion! They are ready for First Grade!



Lunch Sign Up

Parents, please remember that you will need to check in at the school office before going to the cafeteria. Here is the lunch link for next week:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4CA5AD22A3FF2-lunch8>

6th and 7th Grade Exam Schedule

Tuesday, May 24th:

6th- History and English

7th- Science

Wednesday, May 25th:

6th- Math and Reading

7th- History and English

Thursday- May 26th:

6th-Science

7th- Math and Reading

*All 6th and 7th graders will be required to dismiss at 12:00 p.m. on exam days.

2022-2023 Lunch Information

The Child Nutrition Program has let us know that lunches will not be provided free for the next school year as they have been for the last two years due to COVID. More information will be sent out prior to the start of the school year. If you feel you may qualify for free or reduced lunch, please go to <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/PickDistrict> and apply.



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2022-2023 School Supplies

Order your student's school supplies for the 2022-2023 school year today! The deadline to order is **June 15th**. The link to order is <http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=44913>

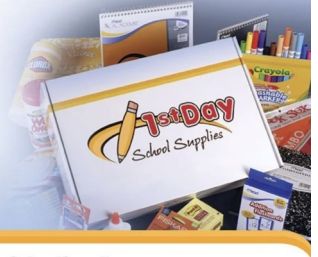
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IXL Subscription

Parent and students will have access to IXL over the summer for tutoring purposes.

Library News

Summer Reading

Attached to our school newsletter you will find information about our Summer Reading program. If you have any questions about the Summer Reading program or book choices please contact Amy Nicosia at anicosia2@stalphonusbr.org.



Overdue Notices

Library overdue notices will be sent home more frequently the closer we get to the close of our school year. If the book listed on the overdue notices that are sent home is lost or damaged please pay the amount charged to your FACTS account or send in a **new hardcover** copy of the lost/damaged title before your students **last full day** of school. Please do not send cash or a check to school for the fined amount, the Finance Office will invoice the parent's FACTS account. Please note that if the book(s) are not returned before the last full day of school **final** report cards will be held until all school fees/fines are satisfied. If you have any questions about library fines please contact Amy Nicosia at anicosia2@stalphonusbr.org

Renweb Home App

If you are currently using the RenWeb Home App, you will be able to download the new FACTS Family App from the Apple/Android App store **beginning June 1st**. The RenWeb Home App will no longer be available for parents **after August 15th**.



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Used Uniform Sale

We will be accepting donations of gently used SAS or other Catholic high schools' uniforms on Friday, June 3rd from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the gym. The uniform sale will take place on Saturday, June 4th from 8:00-11:00 a.m., in the SAS gym.

If you wish to personally sell uniforms, please include an envelope pinned to each clothing item including following information on the envelope:

- Your name
- Size and description of item
- Price of item

**Please pick up your left over clothes and money at 10:45 a.m. on Saturday, June 4th. If money and/or clothes are not picked up on time, they will be donated to SAS.

If a clothing item does not include an envelope, it will be donated to SAS for the sale.

If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Fryoux at 225-938-6346.

Athletics - Save the Date

Boys Sports Camps

Basketball, rising 3rd-5th grades

Monday, July 11th - Wednesday, July 13th - 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Basketball, rising 6th-8th grades

Monday, July 11th - Wednesday, July 13th - 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Football, rising 3rd-8th grades

Monday, July 18th - Wednesday, July 20th

Girls Sports Camps

Girls, rising 3rd-5th grades

Monday, July 18th - Wednesday, July 20th

Volleyball 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Dinner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Basketball 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Girls, rising 6th-8th grades

Monday, July 25th - Wednesday, July 27th

Volleyball 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Dinner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Basketball 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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Summer Reading 2022 – 2023

St. Alphonsus utilizes a summer reading program to help students excel in their studies, prevent “summer slide”, foster a love of reading, and introduce genres/books that students may not normally gravitate toward.

Below you will find information about the SAS Summer Reading list for the 2022 – 2023 school year and the testing schedule.

Each grade level must read two books for summer reading. Second and third grade have books that have been chosen for them, fourth grade and up must read the required book **and** also choose a book from the “Choose From” list.

When a student has finished their summer reading book(s) they may come to the Library on the following dates and take an Accelerated Reader test. These tests will count as a separate grade towards the student's 1st Nine Weeks AR goal for the 2022 – 2023 school year. Parents are asked to wait outside the Library while their child(ren) takes his/her test. The tests normally take 10 – 20 minutes to complete. Please do not drop off your child(ren) and come back. All AR tests must be taken **before** school starts in August. These are the **only** test dates available, no other dates or arrangements will be made.

****Students:** please do not select a book that you have previously read and have taken an AR test. Once a book is tested on, a second test cannot be taken as the AR program does not allow retakes. If you have already tested on the required book for your grade, please contact Mrs. Amy Nicosia and/or your reading teacher about selecting a different book.**

Dates are as follows:

Monday, June 27 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Tuesday, June 28 3:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Wednesday, July 27 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Thursday, July 28 3:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

If you have any questions about the Summer Reading books and/or test dates please contact Amy Nicosia at anicosia2@stalphonsusbr.org

Have a great summer!

Mrs. Amy Nicosia

Title	Author	Book Level
2nd Grade		
Little Bear	Else Holmelund Minarik	2.4
Flat Stanley: His Original Adventure!	Jeff Brown	4
3rd Grade		
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume	3.1
Jumanji	Chris Van Allsburg	3.9
4th Grade		
Required:		
Muggie Maggie	Beverly Cleary	4.5
Choose One of the Following:		
I Was a Third Grade Spy	Mary Auch	3.3
Because of Winn-Dixie	Kate DiCamillo	3.9
We Can't All Be Rattlesnakes	Patrick Jennings	3.9
Where is the White House	Megan Stine	5.2
5th Grade		
Required:		
Old Yeller	Fred Gipson	5.0
Choose One of the Following:		
The World According to Humphrey*	Betty G. Birney	4.2
The Bad Beginning*	Lemony Snicket	6.4
The Lemonade War	Jacqueline Davies	4.1
Rules	Cynthia Lord	3.9
Ninth Ward	Jewell Parker Rhodes	3.3
Middle School Required Reading		
6th		
Wonder	R. J. Palacio	4.8
7th		
Theodore Boone, Kid Lawyer*	John Grisham	5.2
8th		
A Long Walk to Water	Linda Sue Park	5.0
Choose One of the Following		
Becoming Muhammad Ali	Kwame Alexander	5.4
The Wild Robot*	Peter Brown	5.1
Pie	Sarah Weeks	5.6
City of Ghosts*	Victoria Schwab	4.8
Refugee	Alan Gratz	5.3
The Lightning Thief*	Rick Riordan	4.7

*first in a series



Looking for a

LIFE CHANGING

Experience for your tween or teen this summer?

Join Scouts to be eligible to attend



Istrouma Area Council

Scouts BSA Summer Camp!

Open to all boys and girls that have completed 5th grade and are at least 10 years old, or are 11 years old or older regardless of grade level!

Avondale Scout Reservation is 1680 acres of prime Scout real estate that features 3 lakes, swimming beach, canoeing, climbing tower, ATV's, robotics, trails for biking and hiking, and so much more! Learn outdoor skills, sleep in tents, choose from 28 different merit badges to earn and work on rank advancements! We also offer a 1st year camper program!



There will also have free time for shooting, archery, climbing, boating and ***much, much more.***



Week 1 June 19-25, 2022

Week 2 June 26-July 2, 2022

Scout Camp Cost is \$300 per scout and includes all fees and meals.

****Become a scout today for \$110.50 to be eligible to attend summer camp.**

***Price includes Scout membership through January 2023*



Email Cindy Neal at
cindy_neal@cox.net

Or

Text 225-921-8028

For more information



START YOUR SCOUTING ADVENTURE THIS SUMMER!