

# St. Alphonsus Catholic School

## Kaleidoscope Connection

*Forming Faith and Future*

May 6, 2021

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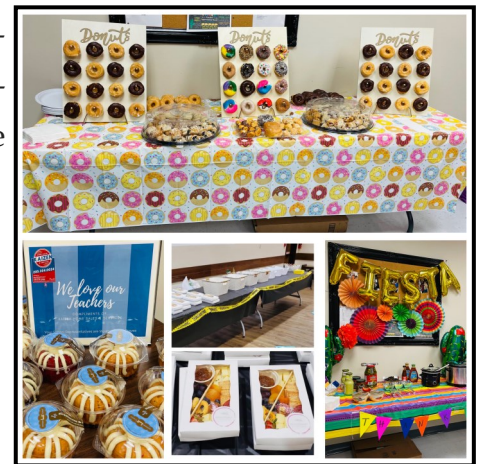
### Congratulations

As our 8th grade students prepare for graduation, we ask for God's blessings for each of them. May their futures hold wonderful and exciting memories. We wish them well in high school and beyond!



### Teacher Appreciation Week

Thank you to Home and School, Kaizen Homes Sales & Services, Wyatt and Janae Graves, Jeanne Gravois, former teacher Olivia Thomas and all of our parents for an awesome Teacher Appreciation Week. We are very blessed!!!



### Upcoming Events

- May 7 - No School Mass
- May 11 - Spring Band Concert
- May 12 - Kindergarten Promotion
- May 13 - 8th Grade Graduation
- May 14 - School Mass





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## Congratulations to our Brotherhood/Sisterhood Award Recipients

These students were recognized by their teachers for demonstrating THESE core values: Integrity, Respect, Trust, Stability, Community Involvement, Honesty, Empathy, Ethical Behavior and Fairness.

The overall winners for 8th grade were Larson G. and Lindsay M.

PK3A - Kolt D. and Josie B.

PK4A - Bennett T. and Elizabeth H.

PK4B - John M. and Aubree B.

KA - Dylan S. and Avery M.

KB -Lofton W. and Maggie B.

1A - Matthew S. and Olivia W.

1B - Alex T. and Lola J.

1C - Aaron E. and Avery P.

2A - Jack M. and Abbey E.

2B -Colin S. and Caroline H.

3A - Jordy A. and Bethany B.

3B - Wyatt B. and Davis K.

4A - Lucas S. and Lola H.

4B - Emmett T. and Leah P.

5A - Will T. and Karsyn J.

5B - Aden M. and Kynsley W.

6A - Mitchell O. and Averil D.

6B - Emilee D. and Seth K.

7A - Mackenzie S. and Baylor G.

7B - Jack B. and Ava Kate P.

8A - Josh C. and Abigail M.

8B - Hudson A. and Jade G.



## May Crowning

Thank you to all of the students and parents for bringing flowers for the May Crowning. The ceremony was beautiful!



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## After Care

There will be **NO** aftercare on the last day of school, Friday, May 21st.

## 6th and 7th Grade Exam Schedule - May 18th-May 20th

### 6th grade:

Tuesday, May 18th - History and English

Wednesday, May 19th - Math and Reading

Thursday, May 20th - Science

### 7th grade:

Tuesday, May 18th - Science

Wednesday, May 19th - History and English

Thursday, May 20th - Math and Reading

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

## 2021-2022 School Supplies

Order your student's school supplies for the 2021-2022 school year today! The deadline to order is May 21st. The link to order is <https://www.educationalproducts.com/ShopPacks/>. Use code STA448 to order online. Individual grade level supply lists can be found on the school website under the "Parents" tab.

## SAS Library News

\*\*Please see the attached revised Summer Reading handout with updated information on testing times and dates.\*\*

We have partnered with Cavalier House Books, a local and independent bookseller, to offer a Summer Reading book(s) preorder. They have generously extended us a school discount of 25% off the list price if we pre-order the Summer Reading books with them. This is a great way to support a local small business and be prepared for Summer Reading at the same time! Order forms and the Summer Reading list are attached at the end of the newsletter. **Preorders are due no later than May 10th.** Please send a check made payable to St. Alphonsus School with the order form in an envelope marked "Summer Reading."

If you would prefer to order online from Cavalier House Books click the following link: <https://www.cavalierhousebooks.com/stalphonsus>.



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All library books are due May 14th. Notices will be sent home this week and next week if your child has any book(s) checked out. If the book is lost you may either pay the amount listed on the notice or bring a NEW or GENTLY used **hardcover** book of the title listed. Final report cards will be held until all school fines are satisfied. If you have any questions about library notices or Summer Reading orders feel free to reach out to Mrs. Amy Nicosia at [anicosia2@stalphonsusbr.org](mailto:anicosia2@stalphonsusbr.org).

### Athletic News



Elementary cheerleading registration is now open for girls going into the 3rd and 4th grade for the 2021-2022 school year. The deadline to register is Tuesday, May 11th. For more information contact Morgan Bueche [mbueche@stalphonsusbr.org](mailto:mbueche@stalphonsusbr.org).

Please go to the link to register your daughter for cheer [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdt2OyaeqZO8gf5\\_2wrZgq780JZL6oWEi-xarXuIo7NkdIXog/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdt2OyaeqZO8gf5_2wrZgq780JZL6oWEi-xarXuIo7NkdIXog/viewform).

### Cafeteria News

The cafeteria will have a change to the menu on Friday, May 14th.

New menu:

Grilled chicken sandwich

Salad cup with pickles

Fresh Pears

Animal crackers

### Used Uniform Sale

Home and School is looking for volunteers for the Used Uniform Sale on Saturday, June 5th. For more information please contact Jessica Weimer at [jessicabweimer@yahoo.com](mailto:jessicabweimer@yahoo.com).

### Home and School

Nominations are being accepted for the Home and School Association Executive Board for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Members at Large. Nominations SHALL be sent via email to [homeandschool@stalphonsusbr.org](mailto:homeandschool@stalphonsusbr.org) with the subject stating the purpose and intention to make a nomination. Nominations must be sent No Later than 4:30 p.m. Friday April 30, 2021. ONLY Nominations received within this designated time period shall be considered valid. Nominations are open to any St. Alphonsus Home and School member.

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Summer Reading 2021 – 2022

Below you will find the test schedule and Summer Reading list for the 2021 -2022 school year. Have a great summer! :)

Summer Reading programs improve reading skills and can foster a lifelong love for reading. If you have any questions about the following information please contact Amy Nicosia at [anicosia2@stalphonsusbr.org](mailto:anicosia2@stalphonsusbr.org)

When a student has finished their summer reading book(s) they may come to the computer lab on the following dates and take an Accelerated Reader test. These tests will count towards the student's AR Points for the 2021 – 2022 school year. Parents are asked to wait outside the computer lab while their child takes his/her test. The tests normally take 10 – 20 minutes to complete. Please do not drop off your child 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 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 another book.\*\***

Dates are as follows:

Wednesday, June 23            9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Thursday, June 24            4:00 P. M. – 7:00 P.M.

Monday, July 26              9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Tuesday, July 27              4:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

As always, I encourage students to read more than the required Summer Reading! The East Baton Rouge Parish Library has some wonderful Summer Reading programs with great prizes!

Happy Reading,

Mrs. Amy Nicosia

<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Book Level</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b>		
Little Bear	Else Holmelund Minarik	2.4
Flat Stanley (the original adventure)	Jeff Brown	4
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</b>		
*Just Like Beverly	David Hohn	4.2
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume	3.1
*the ending biography does not need to be read in order to pass the AR test		
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>		
<b>Required:</b>		
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing	Judy Blume	3.3
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>		
How to Eat Fried Worms	Thomas Rockwell	3.5
Charlotte's Web	E. B. White	4.4
We Can't All Be Rattlesnakes	Patrick Jennings	3.9
Any book from the "I Survived" series	Lauren Tarshis	varies
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>		
<b>Required:</b>		
Old Yeller	Fred Gipson	5.0
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>		
Ninth Ward	Jewell Parker Rhodes	3.3
The One and Only Ivan	Katherine Applegate	3.6
The Lemonade War	Jacqueline Davies	4.1
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone	J. K. Rowling	5.5
Shiloh	Phyllis Reynold's Naylor	4.4
<b>Middle School</b>		
<b>Required Reading</b>		
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>		
Number the Stars	Lois Lowry	4.5
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>		
Fever 1793	Laurie Halse Anderson	4.4
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>		
The Cay	Theodore Taylor	5.3
<b>Choose one of the following:</b>		
Al Capone Does My Shirts	Gennifer Choldenko	3.5
Game Changer	Tommy Greenwald	5.2
11 Birthdays	Wendy Mass	4.1
Pie	Sarah Weeks	5.6
Found (Book 1 of The Missing Series)	Margaret Peterson Haddix	5.0
Elijah of Buxton	Christopher Paul Curtis	5.4
The False Prince	Jennifer A. Nielsen	5.1

## **St. Alphonsus Catholic School Summer Reading Order Form**

-Get your summer reading books before the break and save on the tax!

- Use this order form and save 25% off the book cover price!

Fill out the form below and send it back with payment to the **School Finance Office** in an envelope marked **Summer Reading**. Please place your order by **MAY 10th**. Your student's books will be delivered to their classroom by the end of the year. Thanks for your support!

<b><u>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</u></b>	
Little Bear by Else Holmelund Minarik (Reading Level 2.4) .....	\$3.71
Flat Stanley by Jeff Brown (Reading Level 4) .....	\$3.74
<b><u>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</u></b>	
Just Like Beverly by David Hohn (Reading Level 4.2) .....	\$14.24
Freckle Juice by Judy Blume (Reading Level 3.1) .....	\$4.49
<b><u>4<sup>th</sup> Grade</u></b>	
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume (Reading Level 3.3) .....	\$5.99
<i>Choose one of the Following:</i>	
How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell (Reading Level 3.5) .....	\$5.24
Charlotte's Web by E.B. White (Reading Level 4.4) .....	\$6.74
We Can't All be Rattlesnakes by Patrick Jennings (Reading Level 3.9) .....	\$4.49
Any book from the I Survived series by Lauren Tarshis (Reading Level Varies) .....	\$4.49
For a complete listing of I Survived books visit <a href="http://www.cavalierhousebooks.com/stalphonus">www.cavalierhousebooks.com/stalphonus</a>	
<b><u>5<sup>th</sup> Grade</u></b>	
Old Yeller by Fred Gipson (Reading Level 5.0) .....	\$5.99
<i>Choose one of the Following:</i>	
Ninth Ward by Jewell Parker Rhodes (Reading Level 3.3) .....	\$5.99
The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate (Reading Level 3.6) .....	\$6.74
The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies (Reading Level 4.1) .....	\$5.99
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling (Reading Level 5.5) .....	\$8.24
Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (Reading Level 4.4) .....	\$6.74
<b><u>6<sup>th</sup> Grade</u></b>	
Number the Stars by Lois Lowry (Reading Level 4.5) .....	\$6.74
<b><u>7<sup>th</sup> Grade</u></b>	
Fever 1793 by Laurie Halse Anderson (Reading Level 4.4) .....	\$6.74
<b><u>8<sup>th</sup> Grade</u></b>	
The Cay by Theodore Taylor (Reading Level 5.3) .....	\$5.99
<i>Choose one of the Following:</i>	
Al Capone Does my Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko (Reading Level 3.5) .....	\$6.74
Pie by Sarah Weeks (Reading Level 5.6) .....	\$6.74
11 Birthdays by Wendy Mass (Reading Level 4.1) .....	\$5.99
Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis (Reading Level 5.4) .....	\$5.99
The False Prince by Jennifer Nielsen (Reading Level 5.1) .....	\$5.99

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ English Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Hour: \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Title</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Ext. Price</u>
<b>Total:</b>			

**For School Use Only:**

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Method of Payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO *St. Alphonsus Catholic School***