



The Kaleidoscope Connection

Bringing the Week Into Focus

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Be it known to all who enter that Christ is the reason for our school.

Principal's Message

The first day of school is almost here. We are all busy here at SAS preparing to welcome the children. I wanted to communicate some changes in staff that will be happening for the 2009-2010 school year.

It is with great sadness that we say good-bye to Charamie Dunlap. Mrs. Dunlap has served as Assistant Principal for the last three years. She will be moving to Atlanta, Georgia. We welcome Ms. Barbara Feibel to the Assistant Principal position. Mrs. Feibel will be missed in our Kindergarten classroom, but will be a wonderful asset to our administrative team.

Four teachers will be new to St. Alphonsus. Mindy O'Neil for Kindergarten, Nicole Phillips for 3rd grade, Brandi Aydell in Middle School, Kathryn Wilson for P. E., and Tammy Fouts for Pre-K Aide. I am looking forward to a great year.

Treasures for Teachers—The saying that “one man’s junk is another man’s treasure” is so true for a teacher! We are in the process of helping our elementary teachers build their classroom centers. We are asking for a few items you might have in storage or be willing to part with from your toy chests. Examples are puzzles (all pieces in tact), wooden blocks, and legos. If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to the school office with the label “CENTERS”. Your help with this will be greatly appreciated.

Wednesday Envelopes will now be referred to as the THURSDAY ENVELOPES. Please be sure to sign and return all forms and test papers promptly. Students will be given Friday and Monday to return the envelope with signatures.

Uniform Changes—for the 2009-2010 school year—Girls in Pre-K through 5th grades may now wear the white polo-style banded shirt with their walking shorts or uniform pants. Walking shorts may be worn at anytime during the school year per discretion of parents. If you should have any questions, contact the school office.

Accelerated Reading Testing is scheduled for Monday, August 10 from 8:00 — 1:00 in the school library. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Bordelon in the school office or by email at

mbordelon@stalphonsusbr.org.

Results of the 2009 Survey will be reviewed with the community immediately following the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, August 16, 2009 in the St. Francis Room. All are encouraged to attend. The nursery will be open from 11-12 for children of parents attending the meeting.

Meet Your Child's Teacher on Sunday, August 16, 2009 at approximately 11:45, immediately following the Survey Presentation. Come out and meet your child's teacher. Please reserve this time for your child to meet his/her teacher. This would be a great time to drop off all school supplies. Please be sure that all supplies are labeled with your child's name before arriving. Parent Orientation (parents only) will be held on Monday, August 10, 2009 for grades Pre-K, Kindergarten, and First.

Saturday, August 1st was a work day here at St. Alphonsus! The day was a great success. Thank you to all of the parents, students, teachers, and the Men's Club for your hard work and time. We were able to beautify our prayer garden, paint shelves, fix a few minor items, and move furniture. We will schedule another date in the future for more beautification efforts.

Extended Care Reminder—if you have not registered your child for before and after care for the 2009-2010 school year, you may go to the school website and print the necessary forms to register. Please send registration fees with your forms. If you have any questions please contact Daphne LeSage at the school office, Ext. 115 or by email at dlesage@stalphonsusbr.org.

Reading Resource Program update—if you are enrolled in or interested in this program for the 2009-2010 school year, contact the school office for information and fees.

8th Grade Parents—there will be a meeting on Sunday, August 16th at 1:15 in the St. Francis Room at the church. At this meeting parents will be given important information about the 8th Grade Mobile Classroom for this year, also information on fund raising, the itinerary, etc. We encourage all 8th grade parents to attend. Students may also attend.

Busses will run the first day of school. You should be receiving information about route #'s, pick-up and drop-off locations and times, etc. **in the mail** sometime next week. If you should have any questions regarding busses, please contact First Student at 262-5495.

Important Dates:

- **8/10 Pre-K, Kindergarten, & 1st Grade Parent Orientation in the St. Francis Room—6:30 pm (Don't forget to bring a permanent marker to label supplies)**
- **8/16 Survey Results after 10:00 Mass in St. Francis Room**
- **8/16 Meet Your Child's Teacher at 11:45 until 1:00 in classrooms. Students may bring their supplies.**
- **8/16 8th Grade Mobile Classroom Parent meeting at 1:15 in the St. Francis Room at Church**
- **8/17 First day of school for ALL students. Busses will run.**

Youngest & Only