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ASSUMPTION Catholic School

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Dear Families;

It has been an exciting summer. Our teachers are eager to put into practice their June and August “Go Math” trainings, this new series has been well received in other districts. Several of our teachers attended literacy workshops this summer and are very excited to implement some things they have learned to help all readers. As each year passes, and society saturates us with the “what’s trending now”, I grow stronger in affirming, the important job our Assumption teachers are charge with: *Not only are they preparing our children for life in this world but more importantly preparing them for the life after - eternal life!* We pride ourselves in being able to talk about the things other than “trends” ...things that matter – God, Faith, Prayer, Scripture, Hope, etc. Our families truly are the heart of our school community and I anxiously await the first day of school when our Assumption Family reunites.

Enclosed is information that may help in the transition back to school. Our September calendar is enclosed also.

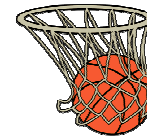
ATHLETIC NEWS:

If you have not yet signed into a Google account or if you have not signed your athlete up for a sport, contact Athletic Director: Loren/Kari Reckin at: assumptionathleticad@gmail.com All of our athletic games and practices are on a Google Calendar that is easily downloaded to a cell phone or computer. The family newsletter has a calendar each week as well, but sometimes due to weather etc. games or game times get changed. Using the Google calendar, you would be notified immediately of these changes. Many families like to come and support The Royals so this opportunity is available for all families. A Gmail account does work best with the Google Calendar...just email assumptionathleticad@gmail.com and we’ll help you.

Reminder: Volleyball pictures will be Wednesday, September 4th @ 3:30, order forms were handed out during uniform handout and extra forms are available in the office.

Thank to the following people who volunteered to coach our students in volleyball and basketball this school year. We are very grateful to you for sharing your time and talents.

- Volleyball 8–Chelsea Wayne
- Volleyball 6/7 – Jodi King
- Volleyball 4/5 –Courtney Bauer
- Boys Basketball 6/7/8 - Chad Mack, Jeff Poeschel -Assistant
- Boys Basketball 4/5 - Kari/Loren Reckin
- Girls Basketball 6/7/8–Jill Hoyt, Paul Weisenbeck -Assistant
- Girls Basketball 4/5 – Arno Lamm



Middle School (6-8) Cross Country begins on August 29th.... more information available in the Durand office

FALL FESTIVALS:



This Sunday is the Holy Rosary Fall festival. I hope you are able to attend; We sure do appreciate all the time, hard work and *sweat* that goes into these festivals. The financial help it provides helps support our school. Hope you can join us at one or all of them.

- **Sunday, August 25th @ Holy Rosary - Lima after 10:00 a.m. Mass**
- **Sunday, September 15th @ Sacred Heart – Mondovi after 10:00 a.m. Mass**
- **Saturday, September 28th @ St. Mary’s Durand – after 4:00 Mass**

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – MASS DRESS CODE:



Be sure to reference the Dress Code Policy (online) and please **note that students in Grades 4-8 will have Mass on the first day of school, August 28th at 10:00 @ St. Mary’s.** Our 6th graders will receive their bibles at this Mass as well.

On **Thursday, the K-3 students will be celebrating Mass at Holy Rosary.** Father Emmanuel is excited to meet everyone! Students may bring shorts/capris to change into after Mass however more formal wear is required to wear to Mass. Masses will be Tuesdays @ St. Mary's and Thursdays at Holy Rosary as in the past – starting at 8:30.



HANDBOOK: Our parent/student handbook along with polices and guidelines are now available on the school webpage: www.CatholicTriParish.org Please review the handbook with your child(ren) and return the completed form signed stating that you agree to follow the handbook guidelines, including the respect (anti bullying) policy, tuition payment policy, the dress code, internet, medical, athletic and school bus regulations. Your signature also indicates you have reviewed the sexual abuse policy and procedures; it gives us permission to add your contact information to the class directory and to release photographs for the newspaper, webpage, etc.

Please return the purple colored signature form back with your family envelope. Thank you.

If you need hardcopies of any of the aforementioned handbook/polices please let us know.

FLUORIDE: Fluoride will be provided for students in grades 1-6. Please sign and **return the enclosed fluoride** (golden colored) **form**; if you have any questions or concerns, contact the Pepin County Public Health.

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS:

Our magazine sale will kick off on Friday, September 6th with assemblies at both campuses. Durand Campus @ 8:30 and Lima campus at 10:30. As introduced last year, in addition to magazine subscriptions, customers will be able to choose from gift items, gadgets, wrapping paper, gourmet cookie dough and bread mixes, and a whole lot more. For added convenience, customers can order and pay online and have the option to have products shipped to school to avoid paying extra shipping costs. Gift item delivery will be in October! Your child(ren) will be bringing home a packet of information that night; the postcard booklet will be due on Monday, 9/9. You can get an early start by starting to look through your address book and email lists.

HOT LUNCH NEWS:

Parents are **strongly encouraged** to fill out the forms for Free and /or Reduced lunch. This is a federally funded program that not only helps alleviate the cost of hot lunch for your family but also helps our school qualify for various grants and assistance. You may return this to our office in a concealed envelope. Please know that information **always remains confidential.**

MENU: The August/September menu is enclosed;

2019-20 prices are: 4K-3 \$2.40/meal 4-8 \$2.70/meal Adult meal \$3.50

NOAH'S ARK PRESCHOOL AND ASSUMPTION REGISTRATION:

We still have a few openings in our Noah's Ark 3-year-old and 4K programs. If you know someone who would like to join us, don't let them "miss the boat!" Mrs. Angie Tulip, Mrs. Sandy Wayne, Mrs. Stacy Spindler and Mrs. Taylor Wayne will be the smiling face greeting 4K and preschoolers this year! For more information, call our office.

STUDENT SAFETY:

For the safety of your children, **all entrance doors at both campuses** will be **locked** in the morning and will continue to be locked during the school day. Also, by everyone following the traffic pattern laid out on the enclosed sheet, it will help alleviate any pedestrian accidents. Any questions or concerns please call.

\$SCRIP: Have you ever wondered what the SCRIP program is all about? Enclosed is a great overview. Use



SCRIP to purchase everyday items and reduce your tuition at the same time. We will include an order form each week for your convenience. A lot of families are using SCRIP online. Still confused about SCRIP or not sure how the online ordering works? Please call, **we would love to answer your questions.**

SAFE ENVIRONMENT:

The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating safe and sacred places in parishes, schools and other institutions so that children, young people and vulnerable adults will be protected from any harm, including physical and sexual abuse. These efforts require us to distribute the Policy and Procedures booklets on Sexual Abuse and Misconduct to all parents; you may view the diocesan policy on Safe Environment on-line or pick up a hard copy in the school office. **Again this year, we are asked to have a basic background check on ALL VOLUNTEERS AND FIELDTRIP CHAPERONES, so if you think you may like to chaperone or volunteer in the classroom, please let us know and we will send a form home.** These are good for 3 years so if you completed one already you are covered! The Diocese also requires a signature annually on the Confidential Questionnaire, if you completed one previously that will be sent home for you to sign prior to chaperoning and/or volunteering.

SNACKS: Per our wellness policy, we are urging our teachers to incorporate more wholesome snacks in the classroom. Whole grain crackers or cereal that are low in fat and sugar; low fat dairy (yogurt or cheese) nuts (trail mix), fruits and vegetables (apples, bananas, applesauce, veggie sticks and dip) are all good examples. Peanut butter sandwiches, or peanut butter with celery would also be a great snack items for the students to have with their milk/juice; Cookies and sugary treats can surely be brought in for birthday treats or special occasions but our everyday snacks should be something that will help curb their afternoon "hunger". Serving healthy snacks to children is important to providing good nutrition and supporting healthy eating habits;



parents you are key when it comes to providing snacks for our students and we thank you for helping us.

WHAT'S NEW!

- We say goodbye to Mrs. Janet Prissel who taught in our Catholic School for 23 years; she accepted a position in the public school.
- It is with joy that we welcome Mrs. Kay Thompson back; she will be the long term sub for our 8th grade class. She will be able to witness the growth these students have made, as she had them in grade 1.
- Welcome to Mrs. Sandy Wayne who will be our 4K aide and welcome back to Mrs. Taylor Wayne who will again be assisting Mrs. Stacy Spindler with our 3 year olds.
- Thank you to Jim Whitwam and Roger Brott for all their buildings and grounds work this summer....
- Lima gym has a new insulated roof on the gym and new boilers will be installed before winter...no more loading the wood stove!!!
- We have some applicants for the Lima cook position; we will keep you posted.

Thank you for choosing Assumption Catholic School! Our faculty and staff are committed to working with you to fulfill our mission of *Faith • Academics • Service*



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- A successful, faith filled school year for all students, staff and parents.
- The Holy Fathers intention for this month: *Lord Jesus we pray for all families. Bless them and help them to love each other. Through their life of prayer and service, may they become schools of true human growth and reflect your unfailing love.*

With Blessings of Peace and Joy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mary Lansing'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Mrs. Mary Lansing
Principal