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Dear Families,

I hope your students have enjoyed the week (+) back to school as much as we have enjoyed having them here. Father Emmanuel's words at Mass reflecting upon 1 Thessalonians really paired well with the expectations we have for our staff and students here at Assumption: we are expected "not to take advantage of or exploit a brother or sister" but to "build each other up". I think our students really took those words to heart as we saw them in action at our 1st Royal Rally last Friday after Mass; it was so much fun. Our older students really took the younger ones under their care throughout the event; all of our students cheered each other on and worked together to accomplish cooperative tasks. Parents, you should be proud.

As Paul stated in his letter to the Thessalonians, as Christians, we are called to *build each other up* to work together for the greater good. May the Lord help us respond to that call.

BAND AND CHOIR:

Enclosed in some envelopes is a form for band/choir sign up...many have already returned theirs...so a friendly reminder to those we still need. Thank you Mrs. Bullard for providing this opportunity for our students!

EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING:

The Education Committee will meet Monday, September 13th at Holy Rosary-Lima at 6:00. If you would like to be part of this committee, please join us. The meetings are open to all.

FALL FESTIVALS – SAVE THE DATES:

- Sunday, Sept. 19th @ Sacred Heart Mondovi after 10:00 a.m. Mass flyer enclosed.
- Saturday, October 2nd @ St. Mary's Durand after 4:00 p.m. Mass Volunteers needed, more information to come next week.

WEEKEND SCHOOL MASS HELP NEEDED:

Enclosed, please find a note asking for student help with the weekend Masses for the St. Mary's Fall Festival on **Saturday, October 2nd.** I hope you can join us for Mass and for the family fun following Mass including games, food and a family dance! Please return the enclosure by **Monday, September 20th**. Thank you. Students will be given a non-dress code day for weekend School Mass help.

HOME AND SCHOOL:

Friday kicked off our Magazine PLUS sale, so look for the packet that was sent home! There are other options to sell other than magazines, so check out both sites. There will be "Achiever Collectable Coops" awarded this year and other prizes starting Monday, September 13th.

Parents new to this fund raiser, it is beneficial to get your orders in on the first turn in date so your children can participate in all of the "Achiever Collectable Coop Calls" This sale is a major fund raiser for our Home and School, so please support it however you can.

Dates to remember: Wednesday, September 8th the first turn in and Wednesday, September 15th (the second turn in date). Here are some other updates and clarifications:

- There are 2 separate websites for the Holiday Catalog and Magazines. Both work for out of town friends and family as well as local.
- To order from the **River City Catalog**: Go to http://clubschoicefundraising.com/ Click **Order Online**Now to order or you can *Join the Clubhouse* if you want to send emails and text messages to let people buy from the catalog online. Fill in the blanks that are required. **The School Code is ASSUM22**
- To order from the Magazine catalog or see a wider selection: Go to www.APMags.com Click shop to support or Register a Participant; put in the **School Code: ACSDL21**
- You can send emails and text messages to let people buy from the catalogs online.
- A \$10.00 donation equates to (1) magazine order.

FREE AND REDUCED HOT LUNCH:



As some of you may have heard or seen, the USDA is providing FREE lunch to every child in the country. This is an extension of the free summer meal program. **What does this mean for your family?** The extension of the USDA funds means your children will have their meals paid for by the USDA for the school year.

• HOWEVER, PLEASE FILL OUT and RETURN YOUR FREE AND REDUCED Lunch applications that were sent to you in an August family envelope, although it does not affect your lunch costs this year, it helps us tremendously in scholarships and other grant awards for our students.

MASS SERVER SCHEDULE:

Enclosed please find the server schedule for St. Mary's and Holy Rosary – please find a sub if you can't fulfill your scheduled time. Thank you for your service - it's an appreciated service. God Bless.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Wednesday, September 8th is the Birthday of our Blessed Virgin Mary. Like the Immaculate Conception, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is an important date in our salvation history. In honor of Mary's Birthday, we will be saying the Rosary at 2:15 @ Lima and 2:30 at St. Mary's. Please feel free to join us. Birthday cupcakes will be served in the church basement following.

SEPTEMBER SERVICE PROJECT: BIRTHDAY BOXES!

This month we are partnering with our local chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society to make birthdays special for children of struggling parents. The St. Vincent de Paul Society makes "*Birthday Boxes*" that include all kinds of goodies to help celebrate! We are asking each Assumption family to help as they can and join in on the fun by donating one each of the following items:

- Cake mix
- 16 oz frosting (Funfetti, if possible)
- A small set of paper birthday plates and napkins (check the Dollar Tree!)
- A small gift (example: book, matchbox cars, coloring or activity book, crayons, etc.)

These boxes are most often given to children ages 3-5, but St. Vincent de Paul provides Birthday Boxes for all ages 1-18, so have fun with it! You can even toss in some birthday candles or birthday cards (not written in), if you wish. Please do not wrap the gifts, since the St. Vincent de Paul volunteers will assemble the Birthday Boxes at their facility later. Let's make some Happy Birthdays together!

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. The teachers will be presenting lessons on safe environment to all students in their classrooms <u>starting Monday, September 13th</u>. These lesson plans

are posted on our school webpage or we can give you a hard copy if you prefer. A synopsis of lessons is enclosed. If you do not want your child to participate in this lesson, please indicate that on the enclosed form.

Please return the completed safe environment training form (Green) on Tuesday, September 7. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this lesson, please call.

\$CRIP:

Earn up to 11% on tons of top brands, so you can earn even more on your everyday shopping. See the enclosed SCRIP flyer to see what we have on hand. Check out Great Lakes Scrip online for even more of a selection. Confused about SCRIP? Call us anytime and we can help.

TUITION STATEMENTS: Updated statements are enclosed for your records. Thank you for your payments.

†PLEASE PRAY FOR:

o The parents and godparents of our students and for all who help form them in faith.

With Blessings of Peace and Joy,

Mrs. Mary Lansing - Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:			
Monday	9-6	No School – Labor Day	
		Mass at Holy Rosary	8:30
Tuesday	9-7	School Mass @ St. Mary's	8:30
		4/5 Volleyball Triangular Home	5:00
		Gr. 6 VB @ IC	5:00
		Gr. 7/8 VB @ IC	6:15
		MS Football home vs. Mondovi	5:00
Wednesday	9-8	First turn in date for <i>Magazine Sale</i> (double order day!) Living Rosary at Holy Rosary and St. Mary's Our Blessed Mother Mary's <i>Birthday Cupcakes in afternoon</i> Volleyball pictures after school	2:15 and 2:30
Thursday	9-9	School Mass @ Holy Rosary	8:30
		Mobile Food Pantry @ St. Mary's	2:00-5:30
Friday	9-10	Gr. 6 VB home versus Mondovi	4:30
		Gr. 7/8 VB home versus Mondovi	5:45
Sunday	9-12	Grandparents Day!	