

August 9, 2011



Dear Friends,

We hope this letter finds you all rested, relaxed and gearing up for another school year at Holy Spirit! Summer was great for all of us, *busy*, but we're all excited to see you all again! So, WELCOME BACK!!

To start the year off, we have several events you need to mark your calendars for as well as some general information:

- **Monday, Aug. 22** is the first day of childcare for those students who are enrolled in the program. If you have not registered for childcare/afterschool care please contact Miss Lisa at 232-2802.
- **Monday, Aug. 22** we will be having an Orientation/Meet the Teacher Night from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Please feel free to drop in any time during this hour with your child to meet their teacher. **Exceptions are:** Kindergarten parents will meet from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.; 5th grade parents will meet from 5:40 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.; and 6th - 8th grade parents will meet from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
- **SCHEDULE OF FIRST DAYS OF SCHOOL:**
 - Wednesday, August 24 - Grades 1st - 8th - 8:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Early Release
 - Wednesday, August 24 - Kindergarten students with last names (A-M) - 8:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Early Release
 - Thursday, August 25 - Kindergarten students with last names (N-Z) - 8:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Early Release
 - Thursday, August 25 - grades 1st - 8th, first full day 8:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 - Friday, August 26 - Kindergarten - first full day for all students - 8:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
 - Monday, August 29 - First day for 4 yr old preschool students
 - Tuesday, August 30 - First day for 3 yr old preschool students

If you are not sure which session of preschool your child is enrolled in, please contact the school office at 232-5763. School doors open at 8:00 a.m. Students are not allowed in the school prior to this time. Please check with Miss Lisa if your child will need care prior to 8:00 a.m.

- **Wednesday, Aug. 31** is our first school Mass for first through eighth grade students. Students are not allowed to wear shorts. Mass begins at 8:30 a.m. Parents are always welcome to join us!
- **Wednesday, Sept. 1** is our Back to School Night. We strongly encourage all of our parents to attend. We have all heard the saying "It takes a village to raise a child" well, the school is our village and we need each and everyone of us to make it a great community for our students. Each of us has a talent that can be shared with the school whether it be helping in a classroom, shoveling snow from the walks, helping in the cafeteria, etc. By sharing your talent with the school we are able to keep costs down but most importantly it creates a great learning environment for our students! This meeting is also full of information regarding the upcoming school year. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the basement of the church.

Registration forms, the school calendar, a school supply list and uniform regulations are available on the school website: holyspiritcs.com. Registration forms must be submitted each year. If you have not returned these completed forms, please do so on August 22 or on your child's first day of school. We also need a copy of current immunizations for all new students. The uniform regulations have changed this year, so please take the time to review them so that your child is in appropriate uniform.

Hot lunch will be served on Wednesday, Aug. 24. The menu is: Lasagna, Salad w/dressing, Fruit Cocktail, Cookie and Milk. Hot lunch with milk is **\$2.50** and milk only is **.35 cents**. Applications for free or reduced lunches are available on the school website or in the school office.

The school office will be open from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. beginning Monday, Aug. 15. Please feel free to contact the school at 232-5763 with any questions or concerns you may have. You can also e-mail us at henssypo@holyspiritcs.com. Enjoy the rest of your summer!