



**PRESENTATION**  
*of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
SCHOOL

# School Newsletter

September 6, 2018



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### Mass Schedule

**Saturday:** 5:00PM

**Sunday:**

8:30 AM

& 10:30 AM

**Mon-Thurs:** 8:00AM

**Friday:**

8:45 AM

## Principal's Page

Welcome back!

It's great to see the halls of our school filled with smiling children once again and the school year is off to a great start! Today we welcomed our 26 Kindergarten students into the building; the look of wonder and awe in their eyes is wonderful to see! We are so excited about our incoming Kindergarteners and all they bring to our wonderful community!

Next Thursday September 13th is Meet the Teacher Night. The times are listed below, please read carefully so you arrive at the correct time:

5:30-6:30 Grades K-4 Classroom Meet and Greet (2 sessions 30 minutes each)

Please go to the classroom of your oldest child first.

6:35-7:15 Information Meeting with Principal & Pastor for all Parents in the church.

7:20-8:20 Grades 5-8 Classroom Meet and Greet Please go to the classroom of your youngest child first.

Our teachers are looking forward to meeting with you to talk about all of our exciting learning opportunities for your children this year.

Just a friendly reminder that this evening is for parents and teachers only...not for students.

We have some exciting community events coming up! I encourage all students and their families to attend our Back-to-School Bonfire Saturday September 15th. We will meet on the baseball field for the bonfire where drinks, popcorn and other light snack items will be available for a small fee. This event is a great way to reconnect with other school families and meet new ones as well. We have many NEW families joining this year so be sure to welcome into our Panther Family!

Don't forget to check out the school website – it's a great place to find information about upcoming events. Another great place to find information is our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages. Follow us on social media to keep up to date with school information.

As always if you have any questions, please reach out to the school office; Linda and I are happy to help! Thanks for a great start to the school year!

Nikki Giel



## Presentation's Back to School Bonfire!

Join us for the Back to School Bonfire and Outdoor Movie on Saturday September 15<sup>th</sup>. We will have beverages and light snacks for sale – meet us on the baseball field for a night of fun and community! The bonfire will begin around 7 PM.

*All are Welcome!*

*Family - Friends - Food - Fun*

## Volunteers Needed

Presentation School is in need of some volunteers, if you can help please call Ms. Linda in the school office to schedule your day.

Positions we need filled are:

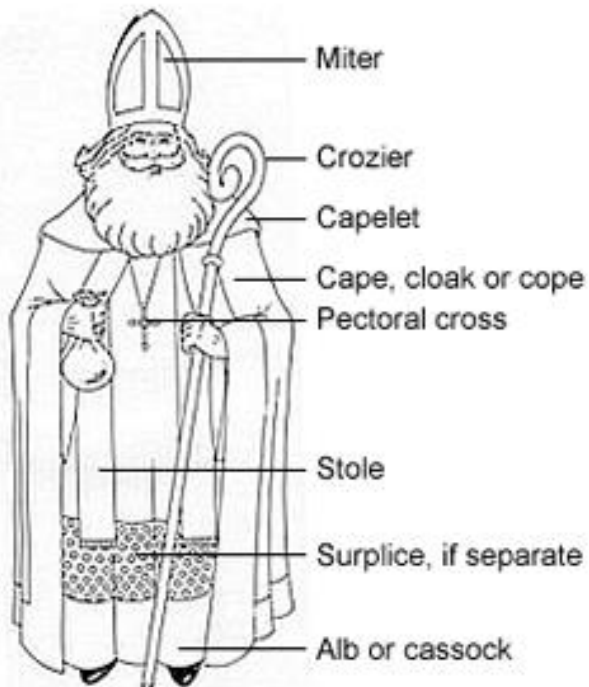
**Health Office** - Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri

**Main Office** - Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri  
11:45-12:30

**Recess Duty** - Mon-Fri

1st recess—11:45-12:05

2nd recess— 12:05-12:25



## Just a Reminder!

### Drop off

Only two doors will be open in the morning for students to enter the building!

Bus students will enter the building using the door closest to the office. All other students need to be dropped off in the Lower Parking Lot by the Preschool door. Doors will be open from 8:15-8:30 am.

### Pick-Up

Only students who take the bus or walk home will leave the building using the Kennard Street door. All other students need to be met in the Lower Parking Lot.

Students will come down the Bell Tower steps (between the school and the Church). Cars with drivers in them may stay in the Pickup Lane to allow for curbside pickup of students.

Drivers need to pull their cars all the way forward in order to prevent backups from forming on Larpenteur Ave.

Vehicles **cannot** be left unattended in the Pickup Lane. If the driver needs to leave the vehicle, please park in a slanted parking slot. Students will not be allowed to walk to a parked vehicle unless an adult is walking with them.

School staff will be enforcing these policies. Questions? Refer to the Student and Parent Handbook pages 28-29.

Every year, Presentation of Mary School's Student Council invites St. Nicholas to visit classrooms on his feast-day in December!

St. Nicholas' miter has seen better days. We are looking for someone to sew a new one!

We are happy to provide patterns to choose from and reimburse for supplies! Please contact the school office if you can help!

### Join us for Mass

We would love to have you join us for mass each Wednesday morning at 8:45 AM. It is a wonderful way to model your faith to your child. If you are ever available – stop by and celebrate with us!



## Meet the Teacher



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Parents can have the option of arriving at 5:30, **6:00, or 6:35** depending on the grade level(s) of their child(ren).

This evening is for the parents only. During your time with the teachers you will be able to ask questions, find out about curriculum, and complete any forms that need to be filled out.

You are invited to...

A Girlfriends Brunch with Reflection

Hosted by Presentation Council of Catholic Women (CCW)

Saturday, September 15, 2018 in Kenney Hall 9:00AM

\$15.00 per person or \$25 for two people

Please buy your tickets or make a reservation by Wed. September 12th.

Ticket sold after mass Sept. 8-9, or email [caralyn.hansen@yahoo.com](mailto:caralyn.hansen@yahoo.com)

Carrie Hansen, CCW Social Chair, 651-245-9104



## VIRTUS

### **\*SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY & PROCEDURES\***

**ALL** school volunteers (coaches, office helpers, tutors, playground supervisors, etc.) having regular or unsupervised interaction with children or vulnerable adults must have the following three items on file with the School/Parish. All of these required forms are available in the School and Parish Offices. Please let Linda Prazak know if you would like us to send these home with your child.

**BACKGROUND CHECK** – A criminal background check will be conducted by the McDowell Agency, Inc.

**VIRTUS TRAINING\*** – This is a three hour training regarding safe environments. Trainings are held regularly at various parishes and schools in the Archdiocese.

**CODE OF CONDUCT** – The Archdiocesan Code of Conduct must be signed and returned to the School/Parish office.

**Volunteers are able to attend any VIRTUS training session in the Archdiocese. Participants are not required to attend the session offered at Presentation.**

## Lunch Accounts!



**Please keep your lunch account current.**

**Log into:**

**[www.educate.tads.com](http://www.educate.tads.com)**

Please contact the school office if you are having trouble logging in.

## Band Parent Meeting:

Calling all parents of students in grades 4-8 who are interested in joining band. Mr. Miller, our band teacher, would like to invite you to an information meeting on Friday September 7th at 3:00 PM in the band room. This meeting is for students who have not been in band prior to this year. If you have any questions please reach out to Mr. Miller at

[zmiller@hill-murray.org](mailto:zmiller@hill-murray.org)





### Soccer

The soccer season kicks off this weekend! Come cheer them on when you can and good luck to all the players!

Presentation and St. Jerome’s have combined to have a 5th grade co-ed soccer team made up of 4th and 5th graders.

Date/Time	Opponent	Location
Saturday, Sept 8 11:30am	St. Paul Academy	St. Paul Academy
Saturday, Sept 15 1:30pm	St. Ambrose	St. Ambrose
Saturday, Sept 22 12:20pm	Faithful Shephard	Transfiguration
Saturday, Sept 29 12:50pm	St. Paul Academy	St. Paul Academy
Saturday, Oct 6 11:10am	St. Ambrose	St. Ambrose
Saturday, Oct 13 11:50am	St. Paul Academy	St. Paul Academy

Presentation, St. Jerome’s and St. John’s have combined to have an 8th grade co-ed soccer team made up of 6th, 7th and 8th graders. They were a late add to the schedule and as of newsletter publication date, we do not have a schedule. Please refer to the CAA site to look for their upcoming games.



### Volleyball

Presentation will be fielding both a 7th grade team and a 5th grade team this year. The 7th grade team is made up of 6th and 7th graders and the 5th grade team is made up of 4th and 5th graders.

We also have enough players to make up a joint Presentation/St. Jerome’s 8th grade volleyball team. However, at this point we have not secured a coach. If you are interested in coaching, please reach out to Melissa Rogers. If we don’t secure a coach, the 8th grade team’s season will be cancelled.

The volleyball season kicks off on September 17th. The schedule will be available on CAA’s site by September 12th. Check it out and come and cheer these teams on!



### Cross Country

The annual CAA Cross Country meet will be Saturday, September 29th at Harvest Park in Maplewood at 8:00am. The meet will be open to 3rd-8th graders. Mark your calendars and look for more details in the next newsletter.

We participate in the Catholic Athletic Association. For the most current schedules and field locations, please refer to their website at: <http://www.stpaulcaa.org/index>.

# Looking Ahead...



September 2018	
Friday 7	Band Meeting 3:00PM ~ Band Room
Wednesday 12	Mass ~ 8:45AM
Thursday 13	<b>Meet the Teacher Night</b>
Saturday 15	<b>Back to School Bonfire</b>
Wednesday 19	Mass ~ 8:45AM
Wednesday 26	Mass ~ 8:45AM
October 2018	
Tuesday 2	<b>Picture Day ~ Out of Uniform</b>
Friday 5	<b>No Maplewood Bus &amp; NO HOT LUNCH</b>
Oct 8-12	<b>Grade 6 to ELC all week</b>
Friday 12	<b>Mid-Trimester</b>
Wed-Fri 18-19	<b>No School ~ MEA</b>
Thursday 25	<b>Conferences 3:30-7:30PM</b>
Friday 26	<b>No School ~ Conferences</b>



**Our Mission:** The purpose of Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary School is to provide a Catholic community that fosters the religious and academic development of the individual student in a safe and welcoming learning environment.

**Our Philosophy:** Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary School creates a supportive Catholic community committed to the Gospel message that calls us to faith, service, and worship. An environment of respect, peace and justice fosters an appreciation of God's gift of life in all people. Each student is empowered to develop their own potential, which will lead to excellence in academics, athletic activities and the fine arts.