

August 31, 2005

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new year at St. Paul's School. We hope that this school year will be an enjoyable year in which your child will be challenged to learn. As always, teachers and staff have been working hard to get ready for an exciting year.

Our theme this year is "Called to Share". I took this from our mission statement which states: "we are called to teach as Jesus taught, emphasizing the gospel message of love and service." Teachers and staff spent a morning discussing this theme and ways to apply it throughout the school year.

As part of the Wednesday envelope, I will be sending home a series of newsletters. The theme is: "Positive Soul Formation". The letters are designed to be a tool to unite home and school.

Traffic: Please respect and obey the directions given by our adult safety patrol guard. Do not double-park anywhere around the school.

Please respect the school's neighbors. Do not block driveways at any time.

Please do not leave your child off in the middle of the block to have them jaywalk across the street.

Voice Mail: The new voice mail system has been installed. We received a brief orientation last week. Everyone is in the process of learning the system and programming their voice mail.

Uniform: A uniform is a sign of respect for and pride in our school. Students and parents need to follow the uniform guidelines as set out in the Student-Parent Handbook. Some areas are of specific concern. Please look at the following sections of the **Uniform Dress Code:**

- Navy blue slacks or navy blue corduroy pants worn by boys and girls **must** be purchased at Dennis Uniform (All Grades).
- Belts (Black, brown or navy only) **must** be worn with slacks.
- Socks worn by girls (All Grades) **must** be **white, blue or red solid crew socks** (No Anklets).
- Socks worn by Boys (All Grades) **must** be **white or blue solid crew socks** (No Anklets).

Back to School Nights are being held:

Wednesday, August 31 – 6:30 p.m. Parish Center – Grades 1 through 4.

Thursday, September 1 – 6:30 p.m. Parish Center – Grades 5 through 8.

Please join us and meet your child's teacher to learn of his/her program for the new school year.

Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help in many areas and these are all good opportunities for service hours:

Picture Day – September 8 – parents are needed to assist the photographer.

Recess/Lunch Supervision – additional help is needed during morning recess and lunch. Please call the office if you can help.

Forms Due in the Office

1. Emergency Forms
2. Medical Release
3. Application Form for Persons Volunteering to Work with Children.

AM Arrival

Children are **not** allowed to be in the school yard until 7:50 a.m. There is no adult supervision. If you must leave your child earlier, he/she must be in extended care.

During morning prayer, parents are not allowed to stand inside the yard. Our school day has begun and we would like as few distractions as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

QSP Fundraiser

Please review the materials your child received today. Thank you in advance for supporting our first fundraiser of the year.

eScrip Program

The following names are listed on a printout received from the eScrip Program: Ana Nedrano, Maria Pasos, Monica Holguin, Adriean M. Castillo and Karen Davis. If these people are crediting their purchases to St. Paul's for your family, please contact the office. This will enable us to acknowledge the right family.

Alumni News

If you know of someone who graduated from St. Paul's Grammar School in the 70's, could you please let them know of the upcoming decade reunion scheduled for October 1st at St. Paul's. It will be a dinner/dance. Please have them contact Ann Brady Powell at 415-826-2261 or abp62@aol.com for more information and an invitation.

Upcoming Calendar Events:

Thursday, September 8 – Picture Day (dress uniform).

Thursday, September 15 – Opening of the School Year Mass – 8:30 a.m. (dress uniform).

Sunday, September 18 – School Picnic – Glen Park – 12 noon – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 25 – Commissioning of Teachers Catechetical Sunday – 9:15 a.m. Mass.

Sincerely,

Arleen Guaraglia
Principal

Enclosures