



Weekly Newsletter  
August 30, 2024

Families,

Happy Friday and another great week we have had at school. As I walk the halls and check in the classrooms, I see so many fun projects, from describing characters in a book to creating All About Me posters!

Today was the last day to walk students into the building. **Starting September 3<sup>rd</sup>, we need parents to let the students walk in by themselves.** The instructional aides and I will be there to help if needed. Thank you for your support with this transition.

**Catholic Parent Meeting:** Catholic Parent Families- We will be offering one more opportunity to attend the required parent meeting. The meeting is on Monday, September 9th at 6:00 in the Our Saviour Church. At this time an 8th grade parent and parishioner will be presenting information regarding the Family School Agreement Plan. While at the meeting, information pertaining to earning a parish scholarship and serving as a greeter at weekend Mass will be shared. If you are unable to attend this meeting, Father Joe will be in contact with you to discuss this further. If you have already attended either on August 21st or August 27th then you are good, and we have communicated to you about the scholarship and greeter at Mass. Thank you.

**MAP Testing:** We started Map testing this week and will continue into the next few weeks. Please try to schedule appointments after the testing is done. Everyone should be done mid to late September. Thank you for your help with this as it makes testing go much smoother.

**After School Program:** Just a reminder that on early dismissal days and days that we let our early for weather – we will NOT have after school. Mrs. Jess Arnold is our Afterschool director with Ms. Haley Haarmann being Assistant Director.

**Family Fun Festival** – FFF is here! The committee is still needing volunteers to help with the games tent, ticket sales, beer tent, and the dance. There is a sign-up page on the Family Fun Festival Facebook page. This would be a great way to earn service hours! A big thank you to all the people who helped to make this weekend a success! Good Luck to all that purchased a ticket. Attached you will find a flyer about the dance. The committee wants to let everyone know that it 80's themed attire! Tell your students to grab their leg warmers and neon clothes!

**Grandparents Day:** Grandparents day will be celebrated September 13<sup>th</sup>. A flyer is coming home today. As in the past, grandparents can attend mass, then head over to the OSS gym for donuts. Around 9:30 the grandparents will go to their student's classroom. We will have three different sessions for those who need to attend several rooms. There is an RSVP attached to the flyer going home, so make sure to return to school. We also need parents to check the box on the sheet if they are wanting grandparents to take them home that day. Thank you for your cooperation. It is always a fun day for all.

**Vision and Hearing Screening is September 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>:**

Vision screening is mandated for children in kindergarten, second, & eighth grades preschoolers (ages 3-5), children in all special education classes, children referred by teachers and transferred children (new to the school).

Hearing screening is mandated for children in kindergarten, first, second, & third grades preschoolers (ages 3-5), children in all special education classes, children referred by teachers, Children with a known hearing loss or wearing hearing aids and transferred children (new to the school).

**8th Grade Recognition**

On Friday, Sept. 6th, we will be recognizing our 8th Grade Baseball Players prior to their game against Carrollton St. John's. In addition, we will recognize our 8th Grade Golfers and 8th Grade Cross Country Runners. The recognition ceremony will start at 4:15pm. Parents and Athletes will be recognized. Please arrive by 4:00pm. Thank You.

**Cheerleading Informational Meeting**

On Thursday, Sept. 5th, there will be an informational meeting for all 6th-8th grade girls interested in Cheerleading this year. The meeting will be in the OSS gymnasium. Coach Lilly (Schwidorski) Hartsook will distribute practice schedules and other information for the upcoming season. At least one parent needs to attend with their daughter. As a reminder, all Cheerleaders must have a current sports physical on file to participate. If you have questions, please email Coach Hartsook at [lschwidorski@mcsd11.net](mailto:lschwidorski@mcsd11.net)

**Junior High Girls' Basketball Meeting**

On Sunday, September 8th, there will be an informational meeting for all 5th -8th grade girls interested in playing basketball this fall. Players and at least one parent need to attend. The meeting will be held at the Midwest Athletic Complex (on Hardin Avenue). Start time for the meeting is 5pm.

**All-School Masses:** We will continue to livestream our all-school masses for parents that want to view our masses in this fashion. Please see the school calendar for masses.

**Scrip:** Do you want to earn money towards your future tuition!?! If you are not already enrolled in our Scrip Program and would like to know more about how you can earn money to help with tuition costs please email us at [osscrip@gmail.com](mailto:osscrip@gmail.com). Fritzie and/or Eva would love to help you get set up and provide you with more information

**Volunteer Nurses:** We have a small group of retired nurses that help our students during recess time with minor injuries, etc. If you have this medical background and would be willing to give an hour some days, we would appreciate having a few more to assist with this. Please contact the office if you are willing to be a volunteer nurse for an hour. Thank you!

**Hot Lunch:** The cost for a hot lunch is \$2.85 per student. Refer to handbook for information on juice and extras.

**JSD 117 Bus Service:** Just a reminder that if JSD 117 is not in session and we are, you will need to make other arrangements for your child to get to and from school. We do not necessarily follow their weather-related cancellations, etc. You will be notified via School Messenger on weather-related closings. Also, the local radio and TV stations will be contacted.

**Attendance:** As our handbook states, the school will notify parents of students that are absent if a call is not made from the parent. To assist in this process, School Messenger will send calls to parents of students that we do not receive a call in the office, letting us know of your child's absence. Please make sure to call the school office by 9:00 a.m. if your child will not be in school that day. While you may contact the teacher, you must also contact the school office.

**Physicals/ exams:**

Pre K -Physical

Kindergarten- Physical, dental and eye exams

2<sup>nd</sup> – Dental exams

6<sup>th</sup> – Physical and dental exam

If your child or children are in the grades above, make sure they have the above exams done and forms turned in please.

Many blessings and enjoy the long weekend,  
Mrs. Amy Evans

**Dates to Remember:**

August 31- September 1 – Family Fun Festival

September 2 – Labor Day – No School

September 4 – All school Mass

September 4– Parent Club – Pack the Place at Leo's Pizza – Mention OSS to assist in our fundraiser

September 9 – Catholic Family meeting at 6:00 at OSP

September 10 Advisory Board 6:15 – Upper Convent

September 10-11– Vision and Hearing Screenings

September 13 – SIP - 11:30 Dismissal – Grandparents Day Mass – more information to follow – No after-school care.

September 13 – No JSD pm bus service

September 14-15 – Enrollment Masses for 3rd grade

September 18 – No JSD Bus

September 20 – RCHS Homecoming – spirit wear day – can wear RCHS/Purple on this day only. **Dismiss at 2:00 after RCHS Parade**

September 22- Youth Mass – 10:30

September 29 – Confirmation Parent Meeting #1 – after 10:30 Mass – Youth Mass –10:30 pm

October 2 - Parent Club – Pack the Place at Leo’s Pizza – Mention OSS to assist in our fundraiser

Oct 3- Fall Pictures!!

Oct 4 – Blessing of the Pest – bring a picture to have them blessed!