

TAKE HOME TUESDAY

Tuesday, August 30, 2016 * St. Albert the Great School
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Thank you to our parents, teachers, and volunteers for a wonderful carnival this year! The weather was great and the rain stayed away. It was so inspiring to see the Church, Parish, Polish School, and all of us at St. Albert the Great School all coming together as one family to support the needs of our school. This is why we are "One Faith. One Family. One Future"!!

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT - On Wednesday, September 7th, we will host our annual Back to School Night. On this night, parents are encouraged to attend to learn more about your child's teacher, curriculum, and classroom expectations. Students may sign up for school activities and sports teams. Parents may sign up for Parish Points too! Please mark your calendars for this important event, which will be held here at school from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Teacher presentations will be given on the half-hour so that you may have time to walk the halls or attend other presentations. More information to come next week...

TONIGHT!!! Family-School Association (FSA) - at 7:00 p.m., we will be having our first Family-School Association meeting. This group will serve in a similar capacity to that of a "PTA". This group will work together to support the needs of the school and to assist with school spirit. I would welcome all of our parents to attend the first meeting to learn what this is all about. We love our parents and volunteers, so I hope to see all of you at this first meeting of the year!

SATG NOW ON TWITTER! Our faculty members have taken to the "Twitter-verse"! Please start following them on Twitter to learn all the great things that are going on in our classrooms everyday!

- @MrsMfsatg2gmail Mrs. Fitch
- @MrsJimenezsatg1 Mrs. Jimenez
- @MRSKARR3 Mrs. Karr
- @MrsLeahy203 Mrs. Leahy
- @MrsDianeKlimek Mrs. Klimek
- @sagandersen Mr. Andersen
- @Kindergartenst1 Mrs. Merlo
- @MrsPMMiller Mrs. Miller
- @schrammo1 Mrs. Burzinski
- @MrsDMessina1 Mrs. Messina
- @MrsJanik109 Mrs. Janik
- @MrsLeePreK Mrs. Lee

SAFETY DRILLS - On Tuesday and Thursday this week, we will be conducting safety drills with our students. These drills will be "unofficial" drills for fire and tornado. During these drills, we will not sound the alarms, but rather just practice where we need to go and how we need to behave as a school. In the upcoming weeks we will have some official drills with the alarms sounding. We will make sure to prepare our students for the sound of the alarms and the presence of the Fire Department prior to engaging in our official drills.

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EARLY DISMISSAL ON WEDNESDAY: FACULTY MEETINGS - Every other Wednesday, our school goes on an Early Dismissal schedule, in order to afford our teachers time to work on our School Improvement Plan. We employ the Data Wise system of school improvement, which requires us to work collaboratively on a regular basis. This work is extremely important to the future and success of our school. School will dismiss at 1:45 p.m. on these days. If you are in need of child care until 3:00 p.m., we offer that free of charge on the Early Dismissal days. Please contact or write a letter to Mrs. Joda if you will be using the Extended Day program on those days, regular rates apply after 3:00 p.m. If you will be using Extended Day on Wednesday, please come to the main entrance of the school to pick up your child(ren), and ring the buzzer.

Looking Ahead:
 8/30 FAMILY-SCHOOL ASSOC. MEETING @7pm
 8/31: Early Dismissal at 1:45 p.m.
 9/2: First Friday Mass @8:30 a.m.
 9/5: NO SCHOOL - Labor Day observance
 9/7: Back To School Night (whole school) 6:30-8:00 pm
 9/12: Patriot's Day Mass (First responders and parents are welcome!!) @8:30 a.m.
 9/12: Picture Day for all students in school uniforms

Please keep in your prayers... Mrs. Merlo's mom passed away yesterday morning. Please keep her and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

State Law requires that certain grade levels of school children receive medical, dental, and vision exams by September 20th. If your child has not completed their exam and brought in the paperwork from your doctor by September 20th, then they will not be allowed in school. The following grade levels must complete their exams: HEALTH: Preschool, Kindergarten, 6th, and new students - VISION: Kindergarten, any out of state student - DENTAL: Kindergarten, 2nd, 6th grades.

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FAMILY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (FSA): Last week was our Family School Association meeting. Attendance and interest in the association was great! We are so excited to have such wonderful and giving parents! All parents will be willing to sign up for the various committees that we formed to help out throughout the school year. Sign up tomorrow at B2SN, or go to the link on our school's website to sign up. You can type out the actual link here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSee2r-q3-tCPumY5qVUMzAoseeb3C-jjctrGxFR1DfjVDrYoQ/viewform>

PARENTS - It is encouraged to spend some time with your child every day asking how their day was. I know that often when asked, "how was your day?", the answer is fine. "What did you do?", nothing. I know how that goes. Instead try these prompts: "Tell me one thing you learned today", "What papers do I need to sign today?", "Did you take a test today? Is there a test this week?", "What type of work are you doing in Science?". Ask a specific question, and try holding them to answering it. Please also make sure that you are checking their book bags for work that may need to be signed. Your signature on their work indicates that you have seen the work, and understand your child's progress.

WORLD'S FINEST SALE: The World's Finest chocolate bar fundraiser sale is on its way. Families are required to sell one box per child. This fundraiser is very important to our school year budget and geared towards advancing our technology. If you are unable to sell the boxes of chocolate, then a \$120 per box buyout is available to you. Please hand in your chocolate box preferences by tomorrow night (at B2SN). If you do not give a preference, then a random assortment will be given to you.

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FORMS, FORMS, AND MORE FORMS: There have been many forms going home over the past few weeks. Please make sure you have filled out and signed:

- Emergency Card
- Home Language Survey
- Handbook Acknowledgement Form
- Emergency Contact and Pick Up Permission Form

Extra forms will be available at the Back 2 School Night.

SMARTBOARDS ARE HERE! Smartboards in phase 1 will begin installation this Thursday and Friday. The smartboards being installed this week will be our upper grade boards. Be watching our social media for updates on progress!

POWER SCHOOL: If you are a new family to St. Albert the Great, Power School forms went home today with your access codes. If you are a returning family and have forgotten your access code, you may contact Mrs. Krol to assist you. Please call her at the school office or email her at: kkrolsatg@gmail.com. Mrs. Krol will also be available at Back 2 School Night.

Looking Ahead:

- 9/7: Back To School Night (whole school) 6:30-8:00 pm
- 9/12: Patriot's Day Mass (First responders and parents are welcome!!) @8:30 a.m.
- 9/12: Picture Day for all students in school uniforms
- 9/14: Early Dismissal @1:45 p.m.
- 9/15: High Schools visit our Jr. High
- 9/16: WF Choc. will be delivered to the school/given out
- 9/19: Grandparent's Day Mass and Reception @8:30 a.m.
- 9/20: DEADLINE for Medical/Eye/Dental exams
- 9/23: No School for students
- 10/14: WF Choc. all money is due

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