

TAKE HOME TUESDAY

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 * St. Albert the Great School
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"One Faith. One Family. One Future"!!

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.

FALL PICTURE DAY - On Monday, 9/12, we will be having our annual Fall School Picture Day. For the Fall Picture Day, students are to be in their **school uniforms**. In order to provide our families with ample opportunity for a variety of photos of their children, we also host a Spring Picture Day later on in the school year. For the Spring Picture Day, students may dress up in dress clothes. For 8th graders, they will dress up and take Cap & Gown pictures in January.

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. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. You **DO NOT** have to attend each session, come to the sessions that fit your family's needs.

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

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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****** EARLY DISMISSAL TOMORROW ******
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH AT 1:45 P.M.

FAMILY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (FSA): Please consider volunteering at our school! Sign up to help out with FSA committees at the following link: You can type out the actual link here:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSee2r-q3-tCPumY5qVUMzAoseeb3C-jjctrGxFR1DfjVDrYoQ/viewform>
In the meantime, please start bringing in your Box Tops, used Ink Cartridges, Labels for Education, and Pop Can Tabs to the school office. The FSA will be organizing our parents to run these programs for us, but we can start collecting them now.

CHURCH ENVELOPES: Church envelopes are going home today with your children. The numbers on the envelopes have been recorded with your names. Please use these envelopes as a means of giving to our Church on the weekends. Our church is always very generous with the needs of our school, and it is important to show support to the church in return. **1 Faith*1 Family*1 Future**

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PARENT UNIVERSITY: Tuesday, September 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Albert Hall. The topic will be Power School and the ACT/Aspire. Come spend some time with your Principal to learn more about the great things going on at St. Albert the Great!

GRANDPARENTS MASS: Our annual Grandparents and Special Senior Mass will take place this upcoming Monday, September 19th at 8:30 a.m. All Grandparents and Special Seniors are invited to the Mass, and to our reception immediately following in the school. This is a special day for our students, and we are looking forward to this great day!

AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT:

We are always looking for parents to help us support after-school enrichment programs. If you are able to coach a sport or host a club of any type, please let Mrs. Krol know in the school office.

- Yearbook starts TODAY after-school from 3:10-4:00 p.m.
- Choir starts TOMORROW after-school from 1:50-2:20 p.m. (Early dismissal)






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THE IMPORTANCE OF POWER SCHOOL: This is an amazing tool for constant communication, feedback, and support for our parents and students. Please take time to review the Power School grades weekly. If you are a new family to St. Albert the Great, Power School forms went home last week 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.

SMARTBOARD Update: The boards are up and they are starting to be used in classrooms. I know some of the students were very excited about them, as are the teachers! Phase 2 of SMART board installations will take place in October.

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(important school messages in text format)

Student Council forms/letters went home yesterday. Each classroom from K-8 will have a classroom representative. If interested, please return the slip to the homeroom teacher by 9/22.