



*Know
and celebrate our
Catholic Faith,*

*Love
God and our
neighbor,*

*Serve
as disciples of
Jesus Christ.*

St. Vincent de Paul
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Newsletter August 21, 2014

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| 7 | 8 | 9 School Advisory meeting 7pm, faculty room Shepard's Flock, 2-3:15pm | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
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Important Information for the Beginning of this Year

- **Classroom assignments** will be emailed by end of day, August 22nd.
- Students are **required to be in uniform** the first day of school, September 2nd. (See "Uniform Policy" on pg. 2.)
- **Bus service** will be provided once again to families in the Anoka School District and in the Brooklyn Park area of Osseo School District #279. The fee will remain the same as last year.

Champlin \$525/student for both ways; \$275 for 3rd child
 Brooklyn Park \$300/student for one way; \$175 for 3rd child

These fees will be paid through Smart Tuition. If you have not already done so, please let the school office know that you would like your children to be on the bus.

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September 2014

[Lunch Menu](#)



- Your **school district will mail the bus schedules to your home** by the last week in August.
- [Transportation Cards](#) will be available at our open house, and should be completed for each student. It is essential that we know which students are bus riders and which students are car riders. **Please return the cards to your child's teacher on the first day of school**, September 2nd.

BUS RIDERS: we must have the bus number and name of the bus or high school your child will ride to: Maple Grove, Osseo, Brooklyn Park or Champlin.

Kindergartners,
NEW 1st & 2nd
Graders!



All kindergartners and any new 1st or 2nd graders, please safety pin these transportation cards to your child's shirt.

Paperless Back-to-School Packets

[ALL forms](#) for the 2014-2015 school year are all available online. **Please print the forms and waivers and bring the completed forms to the Open House** on Wednesday, August 27th.

Emergency Medical Information Forms:

Please review your Cornerstone account and note any changes (cell phone numbers, doctor information, medical information, etc.) that may have occurred over the summer.

We ask that **all families stop at the student information table at the August 27th Open House; here you will be able to change and/or verify your student's emergency information.** There will also be additional [medical information forms](#) if needed. It is necessary that we have this information in the event of an emergency with your child.

No Shots/No School

All students entering kindergarten or 7th grade must have their immunizations up to date per Minnesota State Law 123.70. Students will not be admitted to the classrooms without an up-to-date immunization record in the school office prior to the first day of school on September 2nd. Medical history and physicals are recommended for both incoming 4th & 7th grade students.

Uniform Policy

Here are the components of St. Vincent's school uniform as outlined in the [School Handbook, page 17](#):

Pants: grades K-6 wear navy blue pants; grades 7 - 8 have the option to wear khaki or navy blue pants.

Pant style: Plain, no denim, sweat, or cargo style pants. The length of the pants should not touch the floor. All pants must be worn at the waist. (No hip-huggers low riders, or low rise.)

Walking shorts: grades K-6 wear navy blue shorts; grades 7-8 have the option to wear khaki or navy blue shorts. Shorts must be plain, no denim or Spandex. Shorts may not be any shorter than 2" above the knee.

New this year!

Capris: grades K-6 wear navy blue capris, grades 7-8 have the option to wear khaki or navy blue capris.

Tool Box Orders

If you choose to order a **Tool Box for your student this year, they are available to order online and delivered to your home.** Go to www.schooltoolbox.com to place your order.



Mrs. Jean Landman, our computer specialist, will be on hand during our open house on August 27th to answer any questions regarding the Cornerstone program. If you would like more information about what Cornerstone will provide, how to log into your family account, or how to navigate the system, please visit the computer lab during the open house, and Mrs. Landman will be able to assist you.

Skort: all grades, navy blue cotton -skirt with built in shorts. Plain, no denim, spandex, or shorter than 2” above the knee.

New this year!

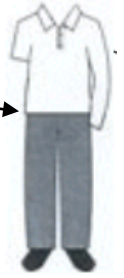
Polo Shirt: grades K-8 - Plain white **or navy** knit . Polo shirt must have a front placket with buttons, long or short sleeves. The hem of the polo shirt may be worn to mid-pocket or the shirt must be tucked in.

Turtleneck: grades K-8 - Plain white knit

Cardigan sweater or sweater vest: grades K-8– navy blue and may have a zipper or buttons, plain or with the school logo.

Sweatshirt: grades K-8 - St. Vincent de Paul navy sweatshirt. A white polo shirt or turtleneck must be worn under the sweatshirt.

Fleece cardigan or fleece vest: grades K-8 –navy blue, plain or with the school logo.



Smart Tuition



Tuition payments were due through Smart Tuition beginning August 15th. In addition to tuition payments, please see the schedule for additional payments that will be billed through Smart Tuition and the dates that they will be due:

August 15th Smart Tuition annual fee: \$50.00/family

September 15th: Classroom fees (vary per classroom) and Home & School fee; \$10.00/family

October 15th: Technology fee, \$50.00/student

February 15th: Pottery fee, \$22.00/student

**Field trips will be added as they are scheduled and will be billed through Smart Tuition.*

Extracurricular Activities

Sports News



Volleyball: Open gym, Tuesday September 2nd, 6-7pm
Tryouts: Wednesday, September 3rd, 6:00 – 7:15pm

Soccer and Volleyball Waivers must be turned in to the school office before tryouts.



Soccer:
Girls tryouts – Friday, September 5th from 4-5:30pm
Boys tryouts – Friday, September 5th from 6-7:30pm

Drama News:

The musical performance this year is **Schoolhouse Rock!!**

Auditions and practices will begin the week of Monday, September 8th.

Practice schedule will be similar to years’ past; more information will be announced within the first 2 weeks of school.



Tech Week:
at Totino-Grace
Nov. 17th-21st.
Performances:
Nov. 22nd & 23rd at
Totino-Grace.

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FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-4 , 2-3:15pm ALL TUESDAYS IN SEPTEMBER!

SHEPHERD'S FLOCK is a 4-week endurance program that includes cardio respiratory fitness, upper and lower body strengthening, core stability and balance and optimal nutritional choices. Relays, games, obstacle courses, & team challenges encourage fitness in a dynamic and supportive way!

See our [flyer/waivers](#) about what to expect and what you will receive through this amazing program!



Marathon for Education

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Vincent de Paul School Marathon
Saturday, October 4th: 9am - 12:00pm
Elm Creek Park Reserve - Deer Pavilion



For more information, [click here](#).



Prayers for Support

Please pray for the health of:

- Daniel Spanier**, father of Greta & Connor Spanier
- Brad Byer**, father of Wesley Byer.
- Steve Capistrant**, husband of Mrs. Lisa Capistrant
- Marge Meinert**, grandmother of Halei & Haden Foster
- Richard Mattox**, grandfather of Kaitlyn Mattox
- Carl Crimmins**, uncle of Mrs. Jennifer Watson & great uncle Michael Watson



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

- Katherine Huth**, grandmother of Brianna & Brandon Huth
- Elisa Voxland**, aunt of Dana Kush
- Jerry White**, father in law of Mrs. Sue White, and grandfather of Jake White
- Frieda Paro**, mother of Mrs Mary Schaeppi and Mrs Dorothy Malone
- Charles Bowman**, father of Miss Amber Bowman



Goodbye and Welcome

Mrs. Evans has taken a position at Good Shepherd in Golden Valley. We are sad to see her go, but thankful for all she has done for our school and our students!

Welcome back to SVPD **Miss Kelly Mulvehill!!** Miss Mulvehill is the new 5th grade home-room teacher and also will teach 5th & 6th grade Social Studies, and 5th grade English and Religion. Miss Mulvehill has a Master Degree in Education from DePaul University in Chicago. We are excited to have her back!

Welcome to our new 7th & 8th grade teacher **Miss Amber Bowman**. Miss Bowman has her Master Degree in Education and was previously teaching at Notre Dame Academy. She will be a homeroom and religion teacher for 7th grade and will teach 7th & 8th grade Math.

Congratulations to Maggie & Tom Dawson on birth of their daughter, *Finley Marion*. She was born on July 10, 2014 and weighed 7lbs, 8 oz.



Welcome **Mrs. Annie Nelson** who will be teaching in Mrs Dawson’s 1st grade classroom until Mid-October, while Mrs. Dawson is home with Finley Marion.

We are excited to welcome **Stephen Kahn, Ph.D.** and **Erin Castro** from Phoenix Counseling to St. Vincent de Paul. Dr. Steven Kahn is a well-known psychologist in the Twin Cities area, and we have been featuring his parenting articles in our newsletter for several years. Previously, when we received services from the school district, we had a counselor 1 day a week and the focus was for junior high students. Now with Dr. Kahn and his associate Erin Castro, we have services on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for all of our students. He is also able to assess students and will be providing presentations to parents. We are very excited to have Dr. Kahn at St. Vincent de Paul!

You can find out more about Dr. Kahn at www.drstevekahn.com.

Center for Mission

In partnership with the **Center for Mission**, serving the Archdiocese of St. Paul/Minneapolis, we provide monthly mission education resources and seasonal enrichment activities for use throughout the year.



September Mission Intention 2014-2015

That Christmas, inspired by God's Word, may serve the poor and suffering.

Country Focus: Mongolia - The Youngest Church in the World!

God's Word for Mission: Proclaim Knowledge of Christ

A Saint for Mission: St. Vincent de Paul

September Mission Intention: During the month of September, we are invited to give our attention to the poor in our world; especially as God’s Word speaks about the poor ones. We can consider those who are poor materially and spiritually and look for ways to bring life and good news to the poor among us. The focus country this month is Mongolia – the youngest church in the world.

Mission Intentions and Focus Countries for 2014-15 school year.