Family Connection Newsletter September 1 – September 5

We've made it through week three of school! I have enjoyed getting to know all your children and I have almost everyone's name down except for a few preschool students that I don't see too much. Hopefully by the end of next week, I will know everyone. We are off on Monday, September 1, 2025 for Labor Day. I have some reminders and some new information for you so please make sure that you read the whole newsletter.

- 1. Tomorrow we will have mass in the morning. Fr. Aby and I are aware of concerns you may have about our students going to mass given the situation yesterday in Minnesota. We will be putting measures into place, and if you attend mass and don't notice them, it means we are doing our job. Please know that the safety of your children while they are with me is my number one concern.
- 2. Parents are reminded that students must come to school on Fridays in uniform. If you would like your student to change for gym, they must bring gym clothes. PreK and Kindergarten don't need gym clothes this year we will just be doing fun little exercises in the gym that they can do in school clothes.
- 3. We continued to have numerous tardies this week. Please make sure that your student is here no later than 8 AM. You may have no more than 10 unexcused absences/tardies before I sent a letter to your home. Just as you need to be on time for your job, the state of Kentucky takes truancy very seriously and expects your students to be on time to school. Thank you for your attention to this.
- 4. The first Parent Association Meeting will be held this coming Wednesday, September 3 @ 6 PM, here at school in the gym. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.
- 5. Thank you for turning in basketball signups. If you want your student on a basketball team this year, please ask for a sheet and return it to the office by Tuesday, September 2. I wanted to share that we will be offering instructional basketball this fall at Holy Family Gym for grades K, 1 and 2. This will start in mid-October and we'll try to finish it before Thanksgiving break. If you have a student interested in either basketball event, use the signup sheet in the Red Folder.
- 6. MAP testing starts on 9/02/25 and runs through 9/26/25. Please make sure you are on time these next three weeks, make sure your student gets some good sleep, and make sure they eat a good breakfast. If they eat here, make sure you get them here on time to eat.
- 7. Thank you for turning in the form for text messaging. If you haven't turned it in yet, please do so ASAP. I like to use the text messaging system in Sycamore to put out school delays and cancellations, as well as other messages that need to get to you quickly.
- 8. Please make sure you send back the Red Family Folder that is sent home with the youngest child each Thursday. We always have important information in the folder that needs to come back to us!!