



## ST. MARGARET SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL

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September 7, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that you had a wonderful Labor Day weekend! We are excited to welcome back our preschool students this week!

### **New Staff**

We are excited to welcome three new members to our staff. Miss Kristen is our new preschool teacher. She joins us after teaching preschool in the Grand Rapids area. Mrs. Anna Knapp joins us as a part-time long term substitute teacher for 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade. Mrs. Knapp has years of subbing experience and is also the varsity volleyball coach at Parchment. Mrs. Barb Smith is our new lunch and recess supervisor. Mrs. Smith also works in the office at Blessed Sacrament.

We have two staff members that are not new to us, but will be fulfilling different roles this year. Miss Betty will be teaching Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium) to the preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Ms. Beery will be teaching art to the kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

We are so blessed to have these wonderful new staff members joining us and our fantastic returning staff!

### **Forms**

If you have any outstanding paperwork, please make sure it gets turned into the office as soon as possible.

### **Spirit wear and Fleece Jackets**

All spirit wear and fleece order forms and money are due by Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. Remember, neither is required. Spirit wear may be worn on the designated day each month with casual bottoms. The fleece jackets meet our dress code requirements and may be worn by the students in class.

If you need another order form, please contact Anna in the office.



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### **Kids Klub**

If you are interested in utilizing our before and after school childcare (Kids Klub) this school year, please make sure to turn in the Kids Klub paperwork.

**Remember, you must let Miss Tanya know in advance if your child will be going to Kids Klub.** We do not have drop-in childcare. If no one is signed up for Kids Klub, we do not staff it.

### **School Pictures**

School pictures for the 4-year-old preschool and kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be on September 15<sup>th</sup>. The three-year-old preschool class will have pictures on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Picture order forms were sent home today.

### **NWEA MAP Assessment**

We will begin the NWEA MAP testing later this week and will continue for the next several weeks. The NWEA MAP is a standardized test that is completed on the computer and provides your child's teacher with additional information on their progress. Your child's teacher will send home a schedule of when they will be testing. Please make sure that your child has a healthy snack on testing days and as always is getting a good night's sleep.

### **Upcoming Dates**

- September 15<sup>th</sup>-Picture Day for 4-year-old preschool and K-6<sup>th</sup>
- September 16<sup>th</sup>-Picture Day for 3-year-old preschool
- September 23<sup>rd</sup>-Feed Our Friends in Haiti casual day

God bless,

Erin Warnez