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CALENDAR UPDATES

Wednesday, May 21

- Mass 9:00 am
- 6th - 8th Grade Exams (Noon Dismissal MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY)

Thursday, May 22

- 6th - 8th Grade Field Day (Noon Dismissal MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY)
- PK-2nd Grade Field Day

Friday, May 23

- Kindergarten Celebration 9:00 am (Church)
- 3rd - 5th Grade Field Day
- 6th & 7th Grade Exams (Noon Dismissal MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY)
- Last Day for Pre-K, Kindergarten and 8th Grade

Monday, May 26

- **NO SCHOOL** (Memorial Day)

Tuesday, May 27

- IAAT Testing: 6th & 7th Grade
- **NOON Dismissal**

Wednesday, May 28

- 8th Grade Prayer Service 9:00 am (Church)
- **NOON Dismissal**
- 8th Grade Graduation Mass 7:00 pm (Church)

Thursday, May 29

- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
- Mass/Awards 9:00 am
- **DISMISSAL 11:00 am**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

Our second grade students celebrated their First Communion as a class this past week. We would like to congratulate them on this very special occasion and join their families in celebrating this sacramental

event. It was truly a joy to see them come together as a community. Thank you to the parents who baked our special treats for the reception.

Afternoon Carpool

Middle school students are dismissed at noon each day this week. With many students gone, afternoon carpool finishes earlier. Please adjust your pickup time, if necessary, so that you are at school no later than 20 minutes after dismissal. Pre-K, Kindergarten and 8th grade students will not be in session next week so carpool on Tuesday and Wednesday will also end early. Dismissal is at NOON on Tuesday, May 27, and Wednesday, May 28. Thank you.

"Kidmail"

If you are delivering mail through your children, please do not email teachers to request they follow up on mail being dispersed. The teachers are engaged in teaching your children; email will be checked when they arrive at 7:30 am and may not be checked again until the end of the school day.

While we recognize the convenience of "kidmail", please be aware that it is not the responsibility of the teachers to ensure delivery of items to other families via this route.

God Bless,
Anita Nagel
Principal

THURSDAY FOLDER PREVIEW

Look for:

- Home & School Newsletter
- FACTS brochure

Past Due:

- Emergency Information Cards
- Music Selection Form (rising 4th-8th grade)

FACTS TUITION RE-ENROLLMENT 2008-2009

In March, parents indicated their tuition payment preference on the re-enrollment form submitted with the \$100 re-enrollment fee. The options are to pay in full by August 1 or to re-enroll in FACTS. If you have changed your preference, please e-mail the business office prior to May 30. FACTS re-enrollment will begin in June. Payments will be deducted August through May. When your tuition has been entered into FACTS by the school, you will receive a confirmation directly from FACTS of the fee deduction, start date, and amount. Please contact the business office (e-mail lbizzell@olaschool.org) with any discrepancies. Look in your Thursday folder for a FACTS brochure.

WITHDRAWALS

If your student in grades Pre-K through 7 will not be returning to OLA School in the fall, please download a withdrawal form from the school website and turn it in to the front office. Forms are also available in the Parent/Student Handbook.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

OLA School has been blessed over the years by community members that contributed to our scholarship fund, both by establishing specific funds, and general contributions. The scholarship fund committee is pleased the fund has reached a level to support awarding partial scholarships for the 2008-2009 school year. Thank you for your continued support of the annual fund and the scholarship fund at Our Lady of the Assumption School.

FIELD DAY INFORMATION

Please be sure your child gets a good nights sleep before field day.

For students who have field day in the morning, eat a light breakfast. If field day is in the afternoon, eat a light lunch

Wear a hat and plenty of sunscreen

For students in PK-3, wear shorts, T-shirt, and tennis shoes to field day.

For students in grades 4-8 wear the OLA PE shots and designated class shirt

Water will be provided, but if you choose to send a water bottle, please have your child's name on it.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST CHANGES

FIRST Grade: Please add 1 pair of headphones for computer lab.

FIFTH Grade: Please remove 1 2" binder.

GRADUATION REMINDERS

-- Graduation Practice will be held during regular school hours on Friday, May 23.

-- Prayer Service — May 28th at 9:00 am in the church. Slide show to follow in Moylan Hall. Please arrive at the church by 8:45.

-- Graduation Mass — May 28th at 7:00 pm in the church. Reception to follow in Moylan Hall. The 8th grade graduation photograph will be taken promptly at 6:00 pm in the church prior to graduation. Students should plan to arrive prior to 6:00 pm for the picture.

Dress Codes

Prayer Service — nice, casual sportswear

Graduation Mass — Girls: Dresses/Skirts; Boys: Coat & Tie

For both events there should be no exposed midriffs, bellies, or shoulders; no plunging necklines; no flip-flops. Watch the length of hemlines.

Boys' hair should be above the eyebrows, above the collar and above the ears (see handbook pg. 29).

CARPOOLS NEEDED

Carpool needed to/from the Smyrna/30080 area for the 2008-2009 school year. Please contact Debbie or Joe Masterson @ 770-805-9737 or joemasterson@mindspring.com.

Carpool needed to/from Dunwoody/30350. Please contact Kim Woolson at 770-399-6177 or kjwoolso@aol.com.

If you would like to publish your carpool request in the weekly newsletter, please email the information to office@olaschool.org.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Due to the electrical construction, the school office will be closed during June. Office hours for July will be determined in late June and posted on the school website. You may email office@olaschool.org or leave a voicemail, and we will return your communication.

OLA SCHOOL TENTATIVE CALENDAR 2008-2009

August 11, 2008	Meet & Greet 3:00 – 5:00 pm New Family Mass/Cookout 5:00 – 8:00 pm
August 12	Pre-K Orientation: 8:00 – 9:00 am Kindergarten Orientation: 9:00 – 10:00 am 1 st Grade Orientation: 10:00 – 11:00 am
August 13*	First Day of School Noon Dismissal for Pre-K through 2 nd Grade only ECP Open at NOON for PK through 2 nd Grade only; 2:00 pm for others
August 14-15*	Noon Dismissal for Pre-K through 2 nd Grade only ECP Open at NOON for PK through 2 nd Grade only; 3:00 pm for others
August 19	Back to School/Parent Orientation Night: Grades 6-8
August 26	Back to School/Parent Orientation Night: Grades 2-5
September 1	NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)/ECP Closed
September 2	NO SCHOOL (Teacher In-Service)/ECP Closed
October 23-24	Parent-Teacher Conferences/ECP Closed
October 30-31	NO SCHOOL (Teacher In-Service)/ECP Closed
November 26-28	NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving)/ECP Closed
December 22 - January 5	NO SCHOOL (Christmas Break)/ECP Closed
January 6, 2009	Students Return
January 19	NO SCHOOL (MLK Day)/ECP Closed
February 16	NO SCHOOL (President's Day)/ECP Closed
March 16	NO SCHOOL (Teacher In-Service)/ECP Closed
March 19-20	Parent-Teacher Conferences/ECP Closed
April 6-10	NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)/ECP Closed
April 13	NO SCHOOL (Easter Monday)/ECP Closed
May 21	8th Grade Graduation
May 22	Kindergarten "Moving Up" Ceremony/Last Day for Pre-K
May 25	NO SCHOOL (Memorial Day)/ECP Closed
May 26 & 27	ECP Open – 1st grade through 7th only
May 28	Last Day of School (Early Dismissal)/ECP Closed

*Students in Grades PK-2 will be individually assessed on these afternoons. A 30-minute appointment time will be mailed to parents in June.

Calendar subject to change. The official school calendar will be posted on the web August 1, 2008, and a printed copy will be distributed at Meet & Greet.