



THE THURSDAY POST– September 1, 2016

Our mission is to bring everyone closer to God and to challenge each student to achieve his or her highest academic potential in a world not yet envisioned.

1. There will be **No School and No Extended Care** on Monday, September 5th, in observance of Labor Day.
2. Our Opening School Mass will be Friday, September 2, 2016 at 8AM. The Mass will be followed by the Blessing of the Classrooms by Father Torba. Please arrive to school by 7:45AM!
3. If you have not yet returned your **Emergency Medical Information Contact Form** that went home last week, please do so as soon as possible.
4. Just a reminder: Students in Kindergarten and 6th grade needed new physicals over the summer. 2nd graders and 6th graders needed new dental checkups. Kindergarteners also needed eye examinations. **If you have not yet turned in your updated health forms, please do so as soon as possible.**
5. **7th/8th Grade Parent Meeting:** Our annual meeting for 7th & 8th grade parents on Thursday, Sept. 15th at 7:00PM. The main topic is applying to the high school of your choice.
6. **School Board:** Our first School Board meeting will be Sept. 15th at 7:45PM. All are welcome!
7. **Save the Date:** Sunday, September 18th will be our ***Back to School Celebration*** for all parents and children enrolled in the school. Please see the enclosed flyer for more details.
8. **Karate:** There will be an information / demonstration session on Thursday, September 15th at 3:00PM in the gym. Students and parents are invited to attend and registration will be available afterwards.
9. **Parent/Student Handbook Acknowledgement forms** are included in this week's folder. Please read the handbook (available online) and return this form when finished. Students in PK3-1st grade received these forms during Orientation. If you cannot access the Handbook online, please contact Ms. Margaret Brumann.
10. This school year, we will be using e-mail as a primary way of sending home school announcements. We have already sent home several emails. If you are not receiving school emails, please contact the office or email Ms. Margaret Brumann at mbrumann@saintferdinand.org. Also, please check your spam folder, and make sure that mbrumann@saintferdinand.org is on your contacts list.
11. Please see the enclosed information from Mrs. Ward regarding gym class. Please note, there is a limited quantity of gym uniforms available for purchase in the school office. Later in the month, they will become available through SchoolBelles.
12. **BoxTops for Education:** St. Ferdinand participates in the Box Tops for Education program. Please save your box tops and return to the school office to help our school!
13. Please remember to turn in applications for free/reduced lunch. These are due September 30th.
14. **Playground Safety:** Our early childhood students use the playground during the school day. For their safety, we ask that **parents do not use the playground during school hours.** Thank you for making sure our children will have a safe place to use at their designated recess times.