

Thursday Thoughts: The Weekly Newsletter of St. Ferdinand School



June 04, 2021

NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to the St. Ferdinand Class of 2021, who graduate at the 5:00 PM Mass this Saturday! We wish them many happy days in their future high schools:

Sofia Alvarez - Resurrection College Prep

Amy Ankier - Lane Tech

Natalia Kurczak - Chicago Academy

Amelia Hernandez - Disney

Andrea Hernandez - Fenwick

Jayden Hernandez - St. Patrick

Gisselle Maldonado - Resurrection College Prep

Anastasiya Miachkova - Resurrection College Prep

Angelina Sanchez - DePaul College Prep

Donna Sandoval - Mather

Caitlin Torio - DePaul College Prep

Extra Yearbooks: A limited quantity of extra yearbooks are available on a first-come, first-serve basis in the school office. Yearbooks are \$20 each. Please let us know if you want to purchase an extra one!

Monday – Sports Wear and Clean the School Day! On Monday, students will be able to come to school in sports wear! We will be emptying out our desks and lockers for the summer and cleaning up our rooms for the end of the year. It will be hot outside, so dress comfortably and appropriately!

Tuesday – Last Day of School and Awards: Tuesday is our last day of school! We will celebrate with an all school Mass at 8:15AM, followed by a simplified awards ceremony. ***Students should dress up in nice clothes today.*** Feel free to join us in the Church. Masks and social distance are required.

Tuesday – NO AFTERCARE: Because Tuesday is our last day of school and students will dismiss between 11:00AM – 11:30AM, Aftercare will **NOT** be available. Please plan accordingly to have your children picked up on time when their class dismisses.

Summer Packets: Packets went home last week that included all the necessary documents that need to be filled out and returned prior to the start of school next year. Please review these papers carefully. You might even want to fill all the pages out and turn the envelope back before school lets out for the summer! The office will be open during the summer (SEE HOURS BELOW) for those that wish to stop by and drop off paperwork. A PDF with all the documents is also included in the links section.

Summer Hours: Beginning Monday, June 14, our Summer Office Hours will be as follows: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:00AM – 12:00PM. Wednesdays, 1:00PM – 6:00PM. ***The Office will be closed on Mondays and Fridays.***

Get April 2022 Tuition Free If you recommend a family to St. Ferdinand School and they register their child and remain at St. Ferdinand all year, you will receive April 2022's tuition ***free!*** Go out and tell the good news about St. Ferdinand School!

Grant & Aid Applications Now Open for the 2021/2022 School Year All families that receive financial aid are required to fill out a Grant & Aid application through their FACTS account. No financial aid will be given without current application. If you need help accessing your account, please contact customer service at 866-441-4637. Please make sure you are filling the application out for the 2021-2022 school year.

Attention all St. Ferdinand School Families: Changes to FACTS Payment Methods

Beginning with the 2020/2021 school year, all Families must have either a checking/savings account or credit card linked to their FACTS account. All families that currently have an

invoice account will need to sign into their FACTS account to add your preferred payment method. ***This is not optional.***

If you need help doing this, you can contact FACTS customer service at 866-441-4637 or stop by the school office and Mrs. Quinones will be happy to help you.

REMINDERS

GRADES/HONOR ROLL - Please note, the grade scale for Specials Classes (Physical Education, Fine Arts, Spanish, Technology) has changed. **These classes are now using the +, S, and – grade scale.**

+ (outstanding work)
S (satisfactory work)
- (unsatisfactory work)

For the A/High Honor Roll, Grades 4-8 students need to have all A's in the subject areas still being graded, and +'s in the Specials.

For the B Honor Roll, Grades 4-8 students need to earn a combo of A's and B's (no C's or lower), and have all +'s and S's (no -'s) in the Specials.

Gym Uniforms - Please make sure you have the correct gym uniform! Last year was the final transition year for uniforms. This year, all gym uniforms should be the navy blue ones, as offered through **Dennis Uniform**.

IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday, June 5: Graduation 5:00 PM Mass

Monday, June 7: Preschool and Kindergarten Ceremonies and Last Days – Dismissal for Preschool and Kindergarten – 11:30 AM

Tuesday, June 8: Last Day of School Gr 1st-7th! 8:15 School Mass & Awards; 11:30 Dismissal
NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Wednesday, June 9: Professional Development Day for Teachers

Monday, June 14: SUMMER OFFICE HOURS BEGIN:

TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS: 7:00 AM – Noon

WEDNESDAYS: 1:00-6:00 PM

CLOSED MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS

Monday, June 28: SUMMER CAMP begins

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