

# WELCOME TO SCHOOL YEAR 2008-2009 At Saint John Catholic

August 20, 2008

Dear Families and Friends,

There is always excitement at the beginning of a new school year. This year the excitement is at fever pitch. We have so many new adventures. The SMART Boards probably get the highest rating. The teachers and I have been playing with them for the past week or more. Five of us took a special class this summer to acquaint ourselves with the many things that can be done with this marvelous invention. We will also have a two hour workshop in the near future. The kids who have had a sneak preview are excited also. Please remember our very generous donor in your prayers.

The structure of our academic program is definitely something to anticipate with eagerness. A lot of planning has been taking place since spring time and through the summer. We believe that the changes will enable us to focus even more on the individual needs of your children. We welcome your input as we move along.

What about the new uniforms? After getting such an overwhelming response for the change, I hope you all are pleased. I am attaching an addendum to your Family Handbook with regard to the dress code. Please add it in. Speaking of Handbooks, if you have misplaced yours and need another one, we will replace it for \$3.00. Place your order in the office.

On a more personal note: I have a tradition of beginning the year with the Gospel story of Jesus and the children. Jesus' words, "Let the children come to Me," gives me the chance to remind the children how special they are. We are blessed to be able to share our faith with your children and to learn from their innocence and child-like faith. Thank you for entrusting us with this awesome privilege. As we begin this journey of faith, we trust that we will be partners on the road.

In Christ,

Carole Anne

# F.Y.I.

## PAPERWORK REMINDERS

- *Emergency Cards (mandatory)*
- *S.C. Immunization Forms need to be sent in order for your child(ren) to attend school. Please get these in.*
- Uniform and P.E. Shirt order forms are in the school office if needed.
- Medical forms are included in today's folder.

## Family Handbooks

An addendum for the Family Handbook concerning the Dress Code is included in today's folder.

## E-mail address

We'd like to gather email addresses. Please fill out the form below.

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you rather get your Wednesday Whatever Newsletter by email rather than paper?    Yes \_\_\_\_\_    No \_\_\_\_\_