

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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August 4, 2010

Dear Parents,

The 2010-2011 school year is fast approaching. Although the office was not open regular business hours during the summer, additions to our staff, improvements to our building, additions to our curriculum, and finalization of our academic calendar occurred (academic calendar enclosed).

At present, we have added one new teacher to our staff and are interviewing for another English teacher that is certified grades 6 – 12. Ms. Jamie Rossman will be joining our staff in the lower grades. Ms. Rossman is certified K-8 with a minor in Social Studies and expertise in K-3. With the welcomed addition of Ms. Rossman, changes were made of teacher assignments based on strengths of the individual teacher and what is in the best academic interest of the students.

Ms. Rossman will be teaching 1st grade, Ms. Szarek will move to kindergarten, and Ms. Swalec will go to 4th grade. Mr. Fricke, our 7th grade teacher, will pick up and additional class, Advanced Placement Calculus to our 12th graders. Ms. Brownell, our Spanish teacher, will be teaching Spanish I to some of our 8th graders while the other 8th graders will be taking a creative writing class (teacher unknown at this time). Both classes meet five days a week for 48 minute classes. Parents of our 8th graders will be receiving additional information on these classes soon.

At present, the remainder of our brick work is being finished on the North side of the building. When the brick work is finished, the gym/auditorium will be renovated. Our Home Ec. room/Art room has been freshly painted and modified a bit. Thank you Mrs. Domski, Mr. and Mrs. Rodriguez, Mrs. Costello and daughter Stella, Mrs. Scanlon, and Mrs. Csont for a job well-done and beating the summer heat.

With so many new families joining our school community this year, we will be hosting a new parent orientation on Tuesday the 7th of September at 6:30 in the gym. The orientation is scheduled to last no more than 45 minutes and light refreshments will be

served. The parents of our new kindergarten class will meet in the kindergarten classroom on the same day, same time. As always, your students are welcomed to attend.

We have revamped our volunteer lunch program and will have an informational/training session at 6:00pm on the 7th in the Social Room. Parents wishing to volunteer as a lunch supervisor must partake in the informational/training session on the 7th. Those parents wishing to volunteer for the lunch program and cannot make the training session; please call the office for an alternate date.

Our first day of school is the 8th of September and it is a full day. Our hot lunch program starts opening day. Drop off of the students remains the same as the previous year. We start our new school year with 8:00 Mass. All are invited.

Another informational/update letter will be sent no later than the 20th of August. Enjoy your summer and hope to see you at the Festival August 27, 28, 29.

God Bless,

Timothy S. Scanlon, principal

P.S. Our Junior High cross country team has been meeting Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Pulaski Park at 7:30am. This is our first year offering this sport and it is still not too late to join. If your child is interested either call the office for more info or show up at Pulaski. Thank you!