



St. Raphael Catholic School

*Nurturing the development of each child through faithful
Catholic Education that stresses the love of Jesus Christ*

Dear St. Raphael Catholic School Families:

Our first week of school was great! Our first day began by coming together in a circle with a blessing from Father Rudolph. We gathered in true community by welcoming our new students and families and reuniting with our old friends.

At our first all-school Mass we celebrated St. Raphael Catholic School “Founders Day” and had our Holly Mother’s traveling statue blessed. We asked Father to say a prayer for our school community and we were blessed with holy water. Our school Masses are every Thursday at 8:00 AM. Please join us if you are able.

Upcoming Dates!

RAKE-A-THON

SEPTEMBER 13th is our Rake-a-Thon kick-off. It is one of our school’s major student service fundraisers. It provides our students the opportunity to raise money for the school but more importantly be of service to God by helping the community. We need everyone’s helping hands, time and treasure. Parent volunteer hours will be counted. Please contact: Geri Cox at 763-232-0897 or taylor.cox@comcast.net

TRANSPORTATION

I want to remind parents that if there are ever any changes in student transportation arrangements you must call the school **no later than 1:00 PM** to report a change. Calling the school at the last minute can become confusing. We may not have enough time to get the information to the teacher. Please notify the school with enough time.

TECHNOLOGY USE AGREEMENT

Attached to this newsletter is the **Middle School Chrome book Parent Agreement** and the school **Technology Agreement Document**.

This year we are requiring a \$250 deposit for the chrome books because Middle School students in grades 6-8 will need to use them at home. Parents can make these deposits by check or cash. The deposit check will not be deposited unless the chrome book is damaged and requires repair or the cord or case need replacement. Parents who are not able to write a check may make their deposit in cash. It will also be returned when the chrome book and accessories are returned in good, working condition.

In grades 4 & 5 they will use Chrome books in the classroom only. In grades K-3 students use iPads in the classroom. Parents will be charged if a student is careless with the equipment and it needs to be repaired or replaced.

In order for your child to be able to use any of the technology services provided by the school, the agreements must be read and signed by both students and parents. **These forms are due by Monday, September 9th.**

Student registrations must be completed in order for your child to be able to use any of the school technology.

VIRTUS TRAINING

Remember that in order to volunteer in the school with the students you must be E3 certified. Make sure to join us for our parish/school training **September 10, 6:00 PM at the church in Marian Hall.**

Cheryl Aviña
Principal

PHT Parents News.

We'd like to welcome all parents to join us at our Monthly Parents Helping Teachers (PHT) meetings on the second Wednesday of every month. The PHT is a group of parents, working to support the Teachers, students, and the School. In addition to hosting several fundraising Dining for Dollars nights and the Dollars for scholarship baskets at the parish festival, we also plan fun family SRS Community events and Student Served Masses throughout the school year. Attending PHT meetings and volunteering at our events will count toward your family Volunteer hours. If you have any questions, feel free to email us at pht@srsmn.Org, we hope you will join us this year.

We are currently seeking one Room Parents for each grade to enhance parent communications with at least one monthly email to the classroom parents. This is a relatively simple way to volunteer for the school. Your time volunteering as a Room Parent will also count toward your Family Volunteer hours. Please let us know if you are interested

Help us in Welcoming our PHT Exec Board Members for the 2019-2020 School Year!

Tina Greaze-Chair

Jessie Raymond-Co-Chair

Carrie Elizondo-Hudak-Secretary

Maria Mendoza-Treasure

2019-2020 PHT Meetings

Sept. 11th

Oct. 9th

Nov. 13th

Dec, 11th

Jan, 8th

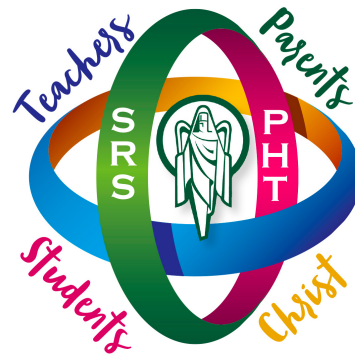
Feb 19th

March, 11th

April, 8th

May, 13th

June, 10th



SRS Community Event

Planned by PHT and Mr. J

Family T-ball Game for all ages!

(We'll use the tee, so no one has to worry about Pitching)

Sunday, September 15th 1:00-3:00 pm

Meet at the SRS Softball Field.

DONATIONS FOR EDUCATION

I have noticed that there has been activity on the box tops app! If you scanned receipts on the app, the donation can be counted towards contests. Send in the receipt scan info slips (found in info packets that were sent out or at welcome back night). The information needed is student name, grade, store, scan date, and amount earned. (If you prefer, you may email a screenshot of your entry to teri.scherber@srsmn.org). Please indicate which student & grade should receive credit.

Back 2 School Scramble Contest

Our Back 2 School Scramble Contest is underway!

Looking at our classroom numbers, this will be a team contest rather than a classroom contest. (Team 1-P/7th; Team 2-K/8th; Team 3-1st/2nd; Team 4-3rd/6th; Team 5-4th/5th). Each team's goal is for all students to turn in at least 10 DFE items (in any combination. Receipt scan slips count as well). Teams will receive a prize once all students on the team have turned in their 10 items! **Be sure to label baggies with names and grades.** Game pieces move forward for every 50 items turned in. The grand prize (root beer floats) will be awarded at the end of the contest (Sept. 24) to the team that reaches the schoolhouse and has turned in the most DFE items. Watch the newsletter for updates! Following welcome night and 1st day of school turn-ins, Team 4 (3rd/6th) is in the lead on space 3 (150 items). Team 3 (1st/2nd) & Team 5(4th/5th) are in the first space (50 items).

DFE Back 2 School Scramble Contest

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Current Standings following welcome night and 1st day of school turn in:

Team1 (PSK & 7th) -

Team 2 (Kgn & 8th) -

Team 3 (1st & 2nd) -

Team 4 (3rd & 6th) -

Team 5 (4th & 5th) -