



# Principal's Post

September 6, 2018

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## Important Dates

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm  
*Alumni Mass*

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm  
*Family Fall Fest*

Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>  
*Before & After  
School Programs  
begin*

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm  
*Ice Cream Social*

Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am  
*Family Mass*

Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm  
*Sports Booster  
Meeting*

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm  
*Room Parents  
Meeting*

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm  
*Meet the Teacher  
Night*

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm  
*Winter Sports Sign  
Ups*

Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>  
*Jeans Day*

Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 7:45 am  
*Paraliturgy Gr 4*

Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm  
*Welcome Back  
Dance Gr. 6-8*

Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> *No School*  
*– Professional  
Development*

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Dear Parents,

Wow! What a HOT start to the school year! It's always so nice to see our fresh smiling students again! Steve Quebral, a former parent of SSPP, will be **attending various events throughout the school year videotaping our students and families to create a promotional video for the school.** He was here on opening day and got some great footage of the kids!

We were so honored to have **Bishop Malone visit our school yesterday and bless our new Makerspace, the MINDCAVE.** He and our new Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mike LaFever, were very impressed with the space, the school, and especially our students.

Please remember to review the **Parent/Student Handbook** found on our school website. Parents and students must sign and **return the signature page to the main office. These are due tomorrow.** In addition, if you have any changes to be made in the **school directory**, please indicate them on the forms sent to you in the summer mailing and return those to the main office as soon as possible. If no changes are required, there is no need to return the form and your information will be printed as we have listed in our database. **Please notify our office as soon as possible if you do not want to be listed in the Family Directory.**

Our 4<sup>th</sup> annual **Family Fall Fest will be held this Sat., Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> beginning with an Alumni Mass at 4:30 pm and the Festival at 5:30 pm.** We will have chili, soup and cupcake cook-offs, pony rides, pumpkins, mums, live music, beer tent, petting zoo, face painting, crafts, games and vendors! We're still looking for contestants for the cook-offs! Sign up on our school website if you are interested (under the *Support* tab – *Volunteer Opportunities*). We also could use some volunteers to help out this evening.

Our **Room Parents Meeting will be held on Thurs., Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** prior to the start of our Meet the Teacher Night. We are in need of many parents - moms or dads- for all homerooms PK3-8th! If you'd like to volunteer, please sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040c4ba8a82daa8-room>

For any students in grades 4-8 who have made their First Reconciliation and would like to **train to be an altar server**, parishioner Ed Knab will be holding training sessions on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:15-3:30 pm in the church. He will also hold sessions on Sat., 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00-12:30. The students must attend both dates of one of the sessions. Please email Mr. Knab if your child is interested. [eknabfam@msn.com](mailto:eknabfam@msn.com) Students can train to serve at school masses and/or weekend masses.

New this year – be sure to get in on the weekly Buffalo Bills football pool! Only 50 squares will be sold! **This is a progressive pool for the Buffalo**



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**Bill's 2018 season.** Use this link to enter: <https://bit.ly/2NVOLLK> The square picked will be the same square you keep for all of the Bill's games. Your numbers will change weekly. Every Friday, new numbers will be drawn for the game. Payout will be on the FINAL score only. 50% will go to the winner and 50% to SSPP. If there is no winner - the pot will roll over to the next game. Squares are \$10.00 each - \$160.00 for the season (16 Bill's Games). Our school (and maybe even you!) could make some easy money without having to do a single spec of volunteering for this fundraiser!

Please join us for some dessert at our **Ice Cream Social next Tues., Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:00pm.** We're hoping the weather cooperates once again this year so that will be able to run it the same as last year – grab an ice cream specialty for \$1.00 and have fun in the front lawn of the school with your friends!

Enclosed in your Family Folder are **Charleston Wrap order forms and fliers.** This is a very popular fundraising event for our school and we ask for your help in this endeavor. There are some great prizes to be won for high sales!

**Our new Before and After School Program, LE3, will begin on Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.** Follow this link for the direct registration form: <https://bit.ly/2NlRtN>. There is also a tab on their LE3 website for our families as well. You can go there for more information about the program <https://www.le3-inc.org/spp>. LE3 will also be at our Family Fall Fest and Ice Cream Social to answer any questions you might have about the program. They will bring tablets and paper copies of forms for parents to sign up on as well.

Please be sure to **return your emptied Family Folder to your child's homeroom teacher** so it will be ready for us to fill and send home again.

Some school districts aren't having classes for students on **September 19<sup>th</sup> (Williamsville included).** **Students who ride Williamsville buses will still be transported to our school on this day** since we are having classes, but you may need to check with your district to see if they will be off and whether or not they will provide bussing.

Enclosed in your Family Folder are **applications for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program.** Take a moment to look through the paperwork to see if your child(ren) might qualify. If so, please complete the application and turn it into the main office as soon as possible to my attention in order to begin receiving these benefits. If your child(ren) received free or reduced lunches last year, they will continue to do so until the end of this month, but you **MUST** complete the application again this year in order to continue benefits after that. If you received a notification in your folder automatically confirming your eligibility, then nothing further needs to be done.

How can I say **"Thank You"** to all of the parents who spent time in our building this hot summer painting lines on the gym floor, creating and placing a new logo in center court, and scraping, scrubbing, painting and decorating all of the bathrooms in the school. What an amazing group of volunteers. We are all so grateful to you for all you have done.

As always, please know that I am always available to you to answer any questions or concerns you might have. I am looking forward to another exciting school year!