



LIGHT UP THE WORLD

From the desk of Sister Margaret Hartman, SND

May 25, 2017

BLESSINGS FOR THE SUMMER

Thank you to all our parents for your support of St. Helen School and Congratulations and Blessings to all our students for a safe and happy summer vacation! A special thank you to all the moms and the ROSS group who helped make the Kindergarten and Eighth Grade graduation celebrations so special.

THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to the faculty and staff of St. Helen School for all they have done to help their students learn and grow throughout this year. A special thanks to Mrs. Annemarie Wenner and Mrs. Mary Wanner who will be leaving St. Helen School due to other commitments.

CHANGES

Mrs. Melissa Joyce will take on the responsibility of a Sixth Grade homeroom and English Teacher for Grades 5 through 8. Mrs. Chiacchiarri will be an assistant to our Art Teacher, Mrs. Jamieson, two days each week. Mrs. Fear will continue to Direct our Preschool Program, while Mrs. Boksansky will be the instructor for our program for 3 year olds. Mrs. Julie Whitely will assist our Preschool, as before school monitor from 7:15-8:00 a.m. each morning, and as a First Grade aide on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We welcome Mrs. Zrinka Palmer as our Aftercare Coordinator from 2:20-5:30 p.m. each day.

OPENINGS

We are now accepting applications for a full-time computer teacher/IT position, as well as a part-time music teacher. If you are interested or know of anyone who would like to apply, please send resume and cover letter to Sister Margaret.

START DATE FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

Orientation day is Monday, August 21, 2017. Orientation for new families is from 4:00 - 4:30pm. Orientation for families returning to school will be from 4:30 - 6:00pm. The first day of school will be Tuesday, August 22, 2017. Students should arrive to school before 7:45 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Our school office will remain open from 8:00- 10:00 a.m. from Monday through Friday until Friday, June 30. If you need to contact us outside of that time, please leave a message and we will return your call as soon as possible.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be mailed home by mid-June, after the final tuition payment is due. As in other years, all outstanding invoices must be paid in full. That includes tuition, fees, lunch account, library fines etc. Report cards will be held for students with unpaid accounts.

ST. HELEN LUNCH PROGRAM

Please reconcile your lunch accounts with Aladdin before the end of this month of May. Our last day for served lunch was Thursday, May 25. Lunch accounts must be paid in full.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF DVD

Congratulations to Mrs. Wenner and our 5th through 8th graders on an outstanding performance of Fiddler on the Roof. The DVD of the performance will be available next week. To order the DVD, please send \$20. cash or check in an envelope clearly marked with your name. All orders must be prepaid.

FLOWER SALE AT FOUR GREEN FIELDS

Help us raise some additional funds for our school by buying the plants, shrubs, and herbs that you will need anyway. Four Green Fields located at 13111 Ravenna Rd, Chardon, (440) 285-4600 has a beautiful assortment of plants that you will be sure to enjoy. If you buy plants during the weekdays of May and mention ST. HELEN SCHOOL, we will receive a portion of the proceeds. Four Green Fields is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:00 - 6:00 p.m., and Wednesday,

9:00 - 12:00 noon. Help us grow some funds!

FALL SOCCER SIGNUP

A soccer sign up sheet was sent home with your child today. Deadline for sign up is July 30, 2017.

DAD'S DAY

The first annual celebration of Dads at the Captains Game is Sunday, June 4th. Please see the flyer that was sent home last week to order your tickets.

JUNIOR HIGH SERVICE DAYS

All students entering 6th-8th grade for the 2017-2018 school year are invited to attend two days of faith, service and fun! We will be joining together July 11th and 12th to serve our parish community and the surrounding area. Permission slips and fliers are being sent home next week. Call Maria Flauto at the parish offices. Space is limited to the first 30 students who register.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - MAKER FUN FACTORY

Vacation Bible School is June 26th-30th from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00pm. This camp is for all St Helen parish children who will be in grades K-5 in the fall. There are also volunteer service opportunities for 8th graders and high school students! Parents are welcome to volunteer as well. Please have forms back in a.s.a.p. or by May 31 at the latest. Contact Maria Flauto if you have any questions or would like to volunteer!

SUMMER CAMPS

You can continue to sign up for Fitness and Jewelry Camps through the month of June between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. PLENTY OF OPENINGS STILL AVAILABLE.

FITNESS CAMP

Join us on August 14 - 18, from 8:00 - 12:00 p.m. at St. Helen School for 5 days of fitness fun. Get in shape with activities like hiking, an obstacle course, kickball, water activities and much more. This camp is open to students entering grades 3 - 8. Cost is \$125.00 for four days. The fee includes a t-shirt, snacks and materials. If you sign up for Fitness and Jewelry Camp, the cost will be \$200.00 a savings of \$50.00

JEWELRY CAMP

Join us on July 17 - 21, from 8:00 - 12:00 at St. Helen School for 5 days of creative fun. Use your creativity to design one of a kind jewelry. This camp is open to students entering grades 3 - 8. Cost is \$125.00. Fee includes beads, gems and materials. A snack is also included. If you sign up for Fitness and Jewelry Camp the cost will be \$200.00 a savings of \$50.00

SUMMER BAND LESSONS

Mr. Bell is offering summer individual band lessons this summer in the band room at St. Helen School for all interested band member. Summer band lessons are a great way to keep your child learning and progressing on their instrument over the summer months. A signup sheet will be available on our website. For more information please email Mr. Bell at CKevinBell@roadrunner.com

FALL EXTRAVAGANZA

Save the date for the Fall Extravaganza on November 11, 2017.

PARENTS OF 6TH GRADE STUDENTS

The Ohio Department of Health has mandated that all students entering 7th grade must have had a Tdap (a combined tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis vaccine) or a Td (tetanus and diphtheria) immunization within the past 5 years. They recommend the students get vaccinated with the Tdap vaccine, as it has the extra protection against pertussis (whooping cough) and they have reported an increased number of cases in our area and throughout the US. They also must have had one dose of the Meningitis vaccine (Menactra or Menveo), this is a new requirement that started with the 2016-2017 school year. You can get your child vaccinated by their physician, or go to one of the local Health Department vaccination clinics. All students must present proof to the school office before the first day of the 2017-2018 school year. If your student has already been vaccinated, please send in written documentation now (either a copy or you may have your doctor fax it to the school (440) 564-7969), and your child will be all set for next year. If you have questions, please call Sr

Dorothy Luli at school (564-7125), or at home 440-413-3289.

KENSTON BUS

A flyer went home today for Families that utilized Kenston's bus service which explains how to re-apply to continue bus service for next school year. You must re-apply annually. The application must be completed by June 16th to guarantee transportation for the upcoming school year. Go to <http://kenstonlocal.org/kenston/transportation/private-school-transportation-request/> Go to the District Menu and click *Departments*; Then click on *Transportation*; Then *Private School Transportation*; *Request* Complete all information in the form *Submit*

GUITAR LESSONS If your child is interested in guitar lessons over the summer please contact Jim Miller at 216-385-0311 or jimiller@jimiller.com

CYO FOOTBALL

Reminder that the deadline for CYO Football sign-ups for grades 3-8 (Grade 6 is waiting list only) is June 5, 2106. If you have any questions call Vic Peroni at 216-496-4216 or vaperoni@gmail.com Please check the Thursday folder for more information.