



## Saint Agnes Newsletter

Family Newsletter

August 12, 2020

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

With the diocesan decision to begin in-person instruction the week of August 17th, if you are contacted by the media, please refer them to Laura Keener at [lkeener@covdio.org](mailto:lkeener@covdio.org).

~ Erin Redleski

### SCHOOL NEWS

**Aftercare:** Learning Grove, formerly known as Children, Inc., will begin aftercare service on Monday, August 24th. Please contact Diana Elliott at (859) 431-2075 or [delliott@learning-grove.org](mailto:delliott@learning-grove.org) to reserve your spot. [Attached](#) are their aftercare protocols.

**Virtual Meet-the-Teacher Night:** This year's Meet-the-Teacher will be a virtual event. Teachers will send a video introduction of themselves and give a brief showing of the classroom setup. Students will need to bring school supplies with them on the first day of school.

**August cafeteria lunch calendar:** Attached [here](#).

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

#### August

- 13 Virtual Meet-the-Teacher Night
- 15 First Communion (10:30 a.m., Church)
- 18 First Day of School (see updated schedule)
- 18-21 Students bring lunch and drink
- 24 Cafeteria service begins
- 24 Bus service begins
- 25 Virtual Back-to-School Night
- 27 Spirit Wear Day

#### September

- 2 Late Start (8:45 a.m. - student arrival)
- 3 Lifetouch Picture Day
- 7 No School - Labor Day
- 8 BOCE Mtg. (7 p.m., Cafeteria)
- 11-20 Smiles & Miles 5K Virtual Event

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**Opening Lunch Items:** As we begin the new school year, we need your help to better prepare your children for lunch. All lunches will have extra staff on duty to help provide a safe and healthy environment. You can help us by teaching your children how to open their prepackaged food items and containers. Things like juice pouches, yogurts, fruit snacks and Lunchables are very hard for the younger children to open. Practicing at home will help make the lunch periods run more efficiently.

**Updated First Week Schedule:**

*X = students will not attend that day*

	<b>Aug. 18</b>	<b>Aug. 19</b>	<b>Aug. 20</b>	<b>Aug. 21</b>
	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>K</b>	A-K (11 a.m. dismissal)	L-Z (11 a.m. dismissal)	All Students (11 a.m. dismissal)	All Students (11 a.m. dismissal)
<b>1st</b>	A-K (11 a.m. dismissal)	L-Z (11 a.m. dismissal)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>2nd</b>	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>3rd</b>	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>4th</b>	X	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>5th</b>	X	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>6th</b>	X	X	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>7th</b>	X	X	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)
<b>8th</b>	X	X	All Students (full day)	All Students (full day)

**Masks and Gaiters:** Please have your child(ren) wear their personal mask to school. Students will receive the Saint Agnes gaiter from their homeroom teacher. Please support us by working with your child(ren) to increase their comfort level when practicing [how to properly wear a mask/gaiter](#).

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**Cafeteria Newsletter from Mrs. Daugherty:** Welcome! Cafeteria lunch service begins Monday August 24. As we move into a new and different looking school year, I am confident that with St Agnes administration/staff, parents, students, community, we will have a blessed 2020-2021 school year. I am very excited about our new menu additions. On most days, one hot boxed lunch will be available (all the same student favorites) and many alternate meal choices that are grab and go style as listed below:

- Hummus Grab n Go–Hummus cup (red pepper), Tostitos chips, cheese stick, carrots/dip, applesauce cup, milk
- Protein Pack – Hard boiled egg, cheese cubes, jungle crackers, carrots/dip, applesauce cup, and milk
- Turkey and Cheese Lunchable (Mon.-Thurs only) – Turkey coins, cheese cubes, Ritz crackers, Cheez-its, carrots and dip, Applesauce cup, and milk.
- Chef Salad – Romaine lettuce, carrots, cucumbers, grape tomatoes, ranch dressing packet, shredded cheese, turkey (subbed with cheese stick on Fridays), goldfish crackers, applesauce cup, and milk.
- Wowbutter Grab n Go - Wowbutter(peanut-free soy based spread) and grape jelly sandwich, mozzarella stick, Goldfish crackers, carrots and dip, applesauce cup, and milk.

In the past, snacks were available for purchase (grades 2-8) on Wednesdays and Fridays. This will be paused momentarily to get a smooth start into the new school year.

Lunch prices will stay the same: student meal (includes milk) \$2.90; ala carte milk/juice, fruit, veggies .50 cents each; extra entrée (ordered during lunch count for grades 2-8) \$1.50, and 16.9 bottled water is \$1.25. Lunch account funds must be available to purchase ala carte items. Lunch deposits must be made on [www.k12paymentcenter.com](http://www.k12paymentcenter.com) or a check through kidmail. NO cash can be used while going through the lunch line. The [www.k12paymentcenter.com](http://www.k12paymentcenter.com) is a great tool for parents to add funds, check balances, and view purchase history. All instructions and parent details are linked on the school website in the cafeteria section. You can also transfer funds as needed between siblings.

The cafeteria has expanded to the gymnasium, more faculty on lunch duty, and more time in between lunch periods to help keep the area clean and safe for your student(s). It is our utmost priority to follow the health and safety guidelines put into place. We have teamed up with Smart Systems for safe and effective cleaning products to help fight against Covid-19 and when the time comes...Flu.

In closing, I would like to introduce two new staff members in the cafeteria. Welcome to Alyssa Schuler & John Farrell. John will be sharing his talents on Thurs. and Friday in the St Paul cafeteria. They both have previous school cafeteria experience and will make a great addition to our head-cook Trudy Carr and myself. We are so blessed to be at Saint Agnes School and look forward to meeting all the new students and seeing all our current students again.

Sincerely,

Teresa Daugherty - St. Agnes Cafeteria Manager

## PTO NEWS

**School Supply Kits:** School supply kits were delivered to your child(ren)'s classroom on Friday, August 7th.

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## BOOSTERS NEWS

As most of you know by now, the fall sports season has been postponed until further notice. Our goal of the Boosters is to provide as many opportunities as possible for our children to learn and play competitive sports. Although postponement doesn't mean cancelled, unfortunately, it's safe to assume fall soccer, volleyball, and golf seasons will be lost. If the Diocese were to allow sports to begin in the middle of the season, it will be next to impossible to persuade a league to let us join mid season. In the meantime, the Boosters will do our best to be prepared when the Diocese allows our children to play school sports.

**Boosters Volunteer Opportunities:** Any parent looking to volunteer to help out on the Boosters committee, please reach out to Josh Randolph at [jlrandolph1@gmail.com](mailto:jlrandolph1@gmail.com).

We are currently looking to fill the following positions over the next year:

- Golf Director (6th-8th grades) -Current Director Pat Monohan will be stepping down after this year, which unfortunately won't happen in a school capacity.
- Board Position Openings- President and Treasurer positions will be open in October.

If you are interested in learning more about this roles, please reach out to Josh Randolph at [jlrandolph1@gmail.com](mailto:jlrandolph1@gmail.com)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**2020 Smiles and Miles 5K Run/Walk and Frog Hop Family Challenge:** We are excited to announce that Saint Agnes will host the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Smiles & Miles 5K Run/Walk in honor of Maria Schaffstein as well as the Katie Stewart Frog Hop, but it will look a little different. The sign up link is LIVE for the 2020 Smiles and Miles 5K Run/Walk and Frog Hop Family Challenge! Both VIRTUAL events will take place between Friday, Sept. 11 – Sunday, Sept. 20 with a lot of flexibility for you to work it into your schedule. Click the link below for information about the event & to sign up. Join us for some FITNESS, FUN, & FRIENDLY COMPETITION! [smiles20.givesmart.com](https://smiles20.givesmart.com)

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