

# St. Philomena School News

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Last day of school is next Wednesday, June 10th!

## June 3, 2020

As we get closer to the end of the school year, there are still a lot of uncertainties about the upcoming school year, however, right now we are going to focus on ending this school year. Next Tuesday, June 9th we will have a virtual Zoom **Move-Up Day**. Your child will be able to meet the teacher and hear about their next grade. Teachers will be sending out the Zoom links through email, please watch for these emails. Secondly, we are planning a **drop off/pick up day on Friday, June 19th**. This will be an opportunity for students and their families to return all library books, school books, any loaned out Chromebooks, and any other items that need to be returned to school. It will also be an opportunity for students and families to pick up the final report card, any certificates, earthquake kits and yearbooks. Lifetouch has informed us the yearbooks should be delivered by then, keep your fingers crossed!!

I have decided that I will be doing a weekly or bi-monthly newsletter through the summer to keep you informed of what is happening at St. Philomena School. I will do my best to keep you updated with any changes or with any new information that I have.

The faculty and I had a thorough discussion about **summer school** and due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 and moving into different phases, we have made the decision not to have summer school this summer. There will be teachers who will be available to tutor here at school during the summer. So far Miss Salcedo, Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. Korzeniecki and Mrs. Hoyer are available, please email them for additional details and information. They will be observing all safety precautions and social distancing when tutoring at school.

**Staffing changes**, I wanted to let you know that Mrs. Tabb, our school librarian, is moving to Colorado (see her letter below). Ms. Tarabochia is taking over librarian duties and will be teaching 7th & 8th religion and 8th writing and Mrs. Korzeniecki will be teaching 6th grade writing next year along with our main resource teacher. Ms. T. will also be in charge of the Book Fairs.

### A note from Mrs. Tabb (Librarian):

Dear St. Philomena families and students,

I want to thank you for your kindness and appreciation this year as the librarian at St. Phil's. I am sad to say that I am moving this summer to Colorado and will not return to the faculty next

fall. I have been blessed to be a substitute teacher and then the librarian here and I can tell you this has been the very best place to work. The students are funny, happy and enjoyable to teach. I have loved teaching yoga to the middle schoolers and I hope they found something worthy in it for them. I am also going to miss the staff who welcomed me and made me part of their amazingness.

As to the library, I hope that your children started reading more and will continue to do so. A love of reading makes them better students and lasts a lifetime. Again, thanks for the love! I will come back to visit because my family lives in the area so it is “see you later!” and not goodbye.

Love,  
Mrs. Tabb

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Color Run, the pictures were so much fun to see! We will have an update on money totals in next week’s Newsletter. You can still make a donation for the Color Run!

Online Donations can be made at: [www.teamsideline.com/sites/seattlecyo/home](http://www.teamsideline.com/sites/seattlecyo/home)  
ALL pledges are 100% tax deductible! Matching funds gladly accepted. Tax ID#91-0608536



**School Commission Update:** I want to thank the School Commission for all their hard work and dedication for this past school year. They have been an amazing support group through these difficult and uncharted times. Thank you to Father Woodland, Kari Steadman, Kyle Welsh, Amy Apthorp, Pam Blood, Jennie Fenton, Rob Cecchi, Nick Schoen, JD McAlpine, Jason Prosser, Jaina Caoagden, Giuseppe Morella and Monica Orzocco. Thank you!!!!

**Happy Birthday to all of our students with June birthdays:**

Jacob B-4th, Eueal B-3rd, Ken B- 2nd, Ella C-7th, Catie H-6th, Sammy H-7th, Rylan K-6th, Gabby K-5th, Nolan K-5th, Zachary P-3rd, Maya R- K, Eddie S-4th, Davis S-7th, Leina T-8th, Ivy T-3rd, Juan Diego V-1st, Sofia W-2nd and Arsema Y- PreK!

The 8th **grade Graduation will be** on Thursday, July 16th at 6:00 PM in the church. This event will be for 8th graders and their immediate family. Each 8th grader will be allowed to have 6 to 8 people. We will assign each 8th grade student a pew for their families and space the families out throughout the church. We are asking all participants except for the 8th graders to wear masks, students can wear a mask if they wish. We will be having an outdoor reception in the under covered play area. 8th grade families please watch your email for further details!

This is for 8th grade families only, due to safety precautions we are asking other families and students not to attend.

Miss Gudjonson and I are putting the plans together for **Summer Camp 2020**. We are looking at opening camp on Monday, July 6th. We will be using all of the CDC guidelines and adhering to them. I will have more details for you very soon!!

**Splash 2020!** Mrs. Blood, Alisa Murray and I met last week to put the final touches on the 2020 Splash Auction. After much discussion and consideration, we have decided not to hold the gala event this year. Instead, we are opting for an online auction in August from August 6th through August 8th with a pick up day on August 9th. More information on that later. However, we have decided to hold the Family Night on August 15th -- outside. We feel that by scaling it down, we will have more room and spacing outside. We are revamping the way we are doing things and feel pretty confident that we can safely hold the event. We are still working on the details for both the online and Family Night and will keep you informed.

The 2020 **Summer Required Reading List is included with today's newsletter**. All students entering K-8th must complete their summer reading requirement. This is a required summer reading and is not an optional program. Please review the reading selections. Many of the grades have other requirements that go along with the reading. It is imperative that students read over the summer to help with their overall academic skills. The reading list is on the website.

Please remember that we are selling **Scrip** every Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. and every Friday from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Ways to order Scrip:

- Print and fill out order form and bring with you to pick up order
- Email order to scrip@stphil.com
- Text order to 206-396-8451
- Order online through Presto Pay, Pay by check or credit card

### **Here are some best practices for keeping COVID-19 at bay:**

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home while sick and avoid close contact with others.
- Cover mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash hands.
- Other ways to stay healthy include: Get plenty of sleep, exercise regularly, drink plenty of fluids, eat nutritious foods

### **Prayers**- please keep the following people in your prayers:

- All families that have lost employment due to the Covid 19 virus
- For all those who are ill from the virus or who have passed away from the virus

### **PEP News:**

- Clean out those cabinets and send in any cut **Box Tops**, this is your last chance!!
- We need your **Used Uniforms!** We are collecting donations for the used uniforms. If you have any uniform pants, uniform skirts or skorts and uniform sweaters that are in good condition, please donate them back to school. **We do not accept the uniform sweatshirts.** Alisa Murray will make sure they are laundered and ready for the summer Used Uniform Sale on Wed., Aug. 5th. The sale will be in the parish hall from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. We will need some volunteers to help with this sale, please contact Alisa.
- Congratulations and thank you to everyone who helped support the Scrip program this year! Our May sales were \$82,355 and our year-to-date total sales were \$965,234! Thank you so much to Christina Cline, Laura Morton and Amy Wiltsie for their hard work and dedication to the program!!

### **SCRIP News:**

- We ask that you do your best to purchase Scrip and we appreciate those families that have met their requirements. We also understand that many families are experiencing financial hardships and no family will be penalized for not fulfilling their requirement.
- We will be selling Scrip every Wednesday from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM and on Friday from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

### **Important Reminders:**

- Congratulations to former teacher, Kathleen Fogarty, who is getting married this weekend. We are so happy for Kathleen and her new husband, Stephen Mercer!!

### **Important Dates:**

- Fri., June 5th- Scrip Sales 9:00 AM- 11:30 AM
- Tues., June 9th- Zoom Move Up Day
- Wed., June 10th- Scrip Sales 9:00 AM- 11:30 AM
- Wed., June 10th- Last day of school
- Fri., June 12th- Scrip Sales 9:00 AM- 11:30 AM

- Wed., June 17th- Scrip Sales 9:00 AM- 11:30 AM
- Fri., June 19th- Scrip Sales 9:00 AM- 11:30 AM
- Fri., June 19th- Drop off/pick up day

**Future Noteworthy Dates:**

- We have tentatively scheduled Summer Camp for July 6th- Aug. 14th

Sincerely,  
Dr. Morissette

## **CYO News and Information**

### **Kylie Hammington CYO Scholarship Winners**

We would like to congratulate Brynna Erdmann and Addison McDonough as this year's Kylie Hammington CYO Scholarship Winners. They are both outstanding student athletes and well deserving of this honor. We look forward to seeing what they accomplish in the future.