

**St. Robert Bellarmine School**

*Strength in academics --- Respect for others --- Belief in Christian values*

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Dear Parents:

This last week of school has passed by in a blur. The school picnic turned out to be a lot of fun even though we stayed on our site for the day. Thank you to all the parents and staff members that helped throughout the day!

Tomorrow we will conclude our school year with a special mass at 10:00AM. Please join us. Report cards will go home with the students. The official dismissal time is 11:45.

As we prepare for summer vacation, it is also the time to look forward to the 2008-2009 school year.

Many items are considered as we plan for the year ahead. The first agenda is usually creating the school calendar. Next year's calendar has been set. Included with this letter, you will find a copy of the calendar for 2008-2009 school year. Our calendar contains the proper amount of required hours with enough extra hours to cover snow days or other incidents that may occur. School hours remain the same with the starting time of 8:05 and 3:15 dismissal. We will begin school on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Fall Festival has returned to its original time slot for this September. The Fall Festival will take place September 12-14<sup>th</sup>. Beginning in 2009, the Festival will move to May. Many factors have been researched and discussed by the Festival committee and this date change will begin next May. For the school, this does mean that we will have 2 festivals within the calendar year. Note that the long weekend in May (May 15-17, 2009) prior to Memorial weekend will be the festival. After this year, there will no longer be a Fall Festival. Look for updates as we publish a more detailed calendar monthly.

Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> for Parent Orientation Night. A letter will come home in mid-August to confirm this date and time.

Each year it is our goal to update an area of the curriculum as budget money allows. It has been about 4 years since we have worked within a religion textbook. After reviewing several series, we have selected for both the school and religious education programs the RCL: Faith First Legacy Edition. It is a wonderful series with lots of opportunity to incorporate technology both at school and home. I was able to get grant monies to pay for the school's materials (yeah).

Included with the letter, you will find next year's teacher assignments. Students in grade 7 & 8 will receive homeroom assignments along with their report cards. You may notice that Mrs. Harkness is not on the list for next year. After much thought and prayer, Mrs. Harkness has decided to stay home next year to be with her son Liam. While we will miss her, we support her decision and wish her all the best. Actually most of us are very jealous!

For the 2008-2009, all uniforms must follow the new policy. Please refer to the handbook online or check with Schoolbelles if you have any questions.

It has been a pleasure to work with you and your child(ren) this year. I am extremely proud of the work completed by the students and staff. Thank you for your support and dedication to St. Robert Bellarmine School. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. Until then stay safe and healthy. I will pray for you and your family each day over the summer break....please keep our staff in your prayers as well.

May Peace Prevail on Earth.

Mrs. Kuszczak

**We are SRB!**

