

September 4, 2009

Dear Parents,

We are off to a wonderful start in third grade! I am especially pleased with the respect and overall good manners that the children have shown these first two days!

There are many items of importance that I would like to share with you:

- **It is very important that your child has a snack each day.** We go to lunch at 12:25 and many of the children are eating breakfast before 8am. Along with a snack, the children need a water bottle for doing Brain Gym Activities. (This will be explained Curriculum Night.) I will send water bottles home on Friday for cleaning; please be sure they come back to school the following Monday.
- **Third graders change into gym clothes for Physical Education class.** They may leave a bag of Gym clothes here and I will send them home periodically for washing. Children need to have sneakers for PE class.
- **Students may leave a pair of play pants here to change into for Recess** to help keep school clothes from getting grass stained. (This is optional.)
- **Children who are celebrating birthday may bring in a special birthday treat for the class to share.** When planning birthday parties and doing invitations, please keep in mind that invitations can only be passed out at school if everyone is invited, or if your child is a boy, all the boys are invited, or if your child is a girl, all the girls in the class are invited. The purpose of this to avoid any possible hurt feelings.
- **Attached is our daily schedule.** When planning for dentist or doctor appointments etc., please try to schedule them so that the children are not missing Math or ELA. These are the most difficult subjects to get caught up in. I realize this will not always be possible, but it would be helpful to consider the schedule when planning.



- **A spelling list and vocabulary list will come home each week.** Daily practice of these words will help your child be successful.
- **Please feel free to call me at home at 764-1146.** If there are events taking place at home, such as the family pet dieing, or at school, such as your child struggling with a math concept or having troubles with another student, I can't help your child work through the difficulty unless I am aware of the situation. Through communication and working together, we can make a difference in helping your child.

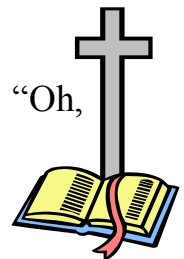


- **Please be sure the Emergency Card, the Emergency Closing Form, and the breakfast plan sheet are returned to school by Friday, September 11th.** Just a reminder, if you choose to allow the school nurse to administer medications or ointments to your child, it is necessary to have a physician sign the back of the card.

I hope all this information is not overwhelming! Again, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call me at home. I am a single mother of two, so I am gone frequently, but if you leave a message I will try very hard to get back to you that evening.

Thank you for entrusting your child to Trinity Catholic School. "Oh, the places we'll go; knowing God loves us so!"

Sincerely,



Mrs. Marsh