

Wednesday Letter

May 31, 2017

Dear Parents,

REGISTRATION NEWS: Our enrollment numbers continue to climb as current and new families register their children. Below are the current numbers by grade level. As you can see, some grade levels are very close to reaching capacity while others are looking great for 1 class, but clearly need additional students to allow for two classes (a minimum of 28 students is required to make two classes.). We all recognize that having two classes in each grade level is ideal for students. If you haven't done so already, we are looking forward to seeing you in the office completing the re-registration process.

CURRENT ENROLLMENT NUMBERS BY GRADE LEVEL

Pre-K – 21	Kinder - 38	1 st grade - 31	2 nd grade - 37	3 rd grade - 34
4 th grade - 20	5 th grade - 34	6 th grade – 28	7 th grade - 23	8 th grade – 21

SCHOOL COMMUNITY EVENT: On Friday, June 2nd, the Parent Board will host an OUTDOOR MOVIE event at River Ridge Golf Course in celebration of the end of the year. Plans are for families to begin arriving around 8:30 p.m. to get your spot, grab some snacks (cherries, apples, and/or or juice). With sunset at 8:50, we will start the movie at 9:00 p.m. Make sure to bring your blankets, lawn chairs and mosquito spray for personal comfort. In addition to our snacks, River Ridge's restaurant will be open offering a full menu of food and drink. The movie will be Sing.

END-OF-THE-YEAR PICNIC

Wednesday, June 7th at Ahtanum Youth Park from 9:15 to 1:30

At this point we are very short on volunteers for next week's End-of-the-Year Picnic, which will be held on Wednesday, June 8th. Please look at the information below to see where you could help out. For logistical purposes, I need to have all the driver spots filled by Monday afternoon – if you can drive, please fill out and return the enclosed sign-up form. Please know that if we don't have enough drivers we will not be able to have the picnic this year because we can't get the kids to the park.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED TO TRANSPORT KIDS TO AHTANUM YOUTH PARK

Drivers report to classrooms at 9:20 and depart at 9:30 a.m.

2 nd grade needs drivers for 37 students	3 rd grade needs drivers for 11 students
4 th grade needs drivers for 12 students	5 th grade needs drivers for 19 students
6 th grade needs drivers for 15 students	7 th grade needs drivers for 20 students
8 th grade needs drivers for 9 students	

Kinder and 1st grade students will take the bus to the park, but these children's parents can still volunteer to drive older students!

Looking for more volunteers to help supervise the relay games

If you can help, please fill out the enclosed sign-up sheet

BBQ lunch items to Mr. Pleger's office by Monday, June 5th!

ADDITIONAL END-OF-THE-YEAR PICNIC INFORMATION

- Students are encouraged to wear clothing appropriate for the relay games in the grass & for the weather.
- Being that there will be water games during the relays and after lunch, students can wear their swim suit under their shorts/shirt. It would be a good idea to bring a backpack with a towel, extra clothes, water shoes and a water toy (put your name on it!!!) for the water games. **(Shoes must be worn at all times)**
- **STUDENT PICK-UP WILL BE AT AHTANUM YOUTH PARK AT 1:30! (near the water tower)**
- **AFTER CARE** will be available - students will be transported back to school on the bus.
- **LOWER VALLEY BUS** - Students using the bus will load at 1:35. The bus will take After Care students back to school and then depart for the Lower Valley route at 2:10 from school. Plan to pick up your children 1 hour earlier than the normal afternoon pick up time. Antonio will give students schedule reminders on Tuesday.



PERMISSION FORMS FOR THE PICNIC:



Parents please sign and return forms to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE FOR ONLY \$15!

Check out our school's **Facebook Page** at www.facebook.com/stjoesyakima to see what is going on at school. Share with your friends and family. Even use it to help recruit new families!

KOSTKA CLUB: The following students are scheduled to serve or greet this Sunday, June 4th, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Saint Joseph Church. It is Pentecost Sunday and Kostka Sunday (**Wear the red cincture**) Matthew Fonseca, Liam Wilmes, Markus and Andrew Berger, Ruth Brack, Joey and Rebekah Spry, Jonathan, and Lupita Pulido. You are to wear the white cincture. Please arrive at the church no later than 8:40. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, June 2nd

Monday the 5th

Wednesday the 7th

SCHOOL MASS at 8:40

Free Dress - Sport shorts or sweatpants are not a Free Dress option

END-OF-THE-YEAR PICNIC

8:45 Assembly

9:30 Departure for the park (parent drivers and bus)

10:00 Relays begin for students in grades K to 3

Free time activity for students in grades 4 to 8

11:10 Relays begin for students in grades 4 to 8

Free time activities for students in grades K to 3

12:10 Lunch for all students (Hot dogs, chips, desserts and water)

12:30 Water and free time activities for all students

1:15 Activities end - students gather with their homeroom teacher

1:30 **DISMISSAL** - students picked up at Ahtanum Youth Park

AFTERCARE & BUS students load onto the bus

8th Grade Recognition Night in the auditorium - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday the 8th

End-of-the-Year Awards assembly for 4th and 5th grade students - 8:30 in the gym

End-of-the-Year Awards assembly for Middle School students - 12:40 in the gym

Kindergarten graduation - 1:00 p.m. in the church

Pre-Kindergarten graduations - 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium and gym

Friday the 9th

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (NO AFTERCARE TODAY)

SCHOOL MASS at 8:40

Early Dismissal at 11:25

Blessings

Gregg