

August 23, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We have had a wonderful start to the 2018-2019 school year. Our Mass with the Archbishop on Tuesday of this week was beautiful – the children looked so nice in their dress uniforms and they sang like angels! The Archbishop was quite impressed with their participation in Mass and with their enthusiasm when he visited the classroom. I was very proud of them!

Today was planting day at SPX! Every class has their own bed and crop which they planted and will now tend. As most of you know, we have been quite successful at producing some beautiful vegetables! We are most grateful to Father Savoie, our head gardener, who not only works quite hard getting the garden ready for planting, but also works with each class, educating the students about their plant and its care. I'm excited that we have added spaghetti squash to our list of vegetables – it's one of my favorites! (Look on our parents' page on Facebook for some pictures of our garden.)

Next Wednesday, August 29th, is our Open House (5:00), PTO Meeting (6:00), and Initial Training for Children and Adolescent Protection Program – CAPPs (7:00). Please make plans to join us.

For those of you new to the Catholic School System, CAPPs training is required for you to be involved with classroom activities, field trips, coaching, etc. I always do one training (listed above) at St. Pius X. If you miss this training session, the Archdiocese offers it once a month at St. Dominic School. The training involves a background check that takes a couple of weeks to receive. You will not be able to participate until we have that information.

Please Note: All students (except PreK) are to be dropped off in the rear of the school. No students should be dropped off in front of the church or between the church and the school. This is for the safety of all students and our faculty. There will be a barricade by room 12 (near the middle school) which will prevent you from exiting. It is removed at 7:50. If you have a meeting with a teacher or business to take care of in the office, you may pull in front of the office and park. If your child is tardy (after 7:50) you may pull up to the office to let them get a tardy slip.

Thank you so much for entrusting your children to us. I hope to see you all Wednesday night.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lauren K. Alvarez

