

SEPT. 17 – SEP22

Monday, Sept. 17:

Regular schedule

Tuesday, Sept. 18:

P.E. Day

Wednesday Sept. 19:

Early Dismissal, 2:30 for
faculty meeting
Hearing test for
Kindergarten only

Thursday, Sept.20:

P.E. Day

Friday, Sept. 21:

Regular schedule
Student council mass 10: 30
in Church

LUNCH

Monday, Sept. 17:

Enchilada casserole, rice
and a drink

Tuesday, Sept.18

Corn dogs, chips and a
drink

Wednesday, Sept 19:

Tuna sandwich, chips and a
drink

Thursday, Sept 20:

Pizza bread, salad and a
drink

Friday, Sept 21:

Cheeseburger potato salad and
a drink

Lunch Policy

Lunches are \$4.00. Snacks
\$.75 and up. Lunches can only
be paid between 7: 40-8:00am
every morning. Please contact
Anna Grande directly to
arrange for credit 415-584-
6144. The front office cannot
extend credit to the student or
heat up any lunch. Please, no
cup of soups on rainy days.
Students can get burned
walking the halls. No knives
please. Plastic forks or spoons
only.

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PRINCIPAL'S LETTER

GLASS IS ALREADY BROKEN

By Ken Willers

Once Upon a Time,

*...a man went to get himself a
glass of water and as he picked up the
glass, the glass said, "Stop, look at me.
Don't you see I am already broken?"*

*"What?" the man said, "You
are in perfect condition."*

*"Regardless," answered back
the glass, "I will be of no use to you--I
am already broken."*

*'Nonsense,' the man thought
and he filled up the glass with water
and said, "See, you hold the water
wonderfully -- not one drop leaks out."*

*"Take a better look," said the
glass, "and you will see I am already
broken."*

*Holding the glass to the light
the man said, "Ridiculous, see how the
light shines through your glass and
water--it sparkles and shines. You're
beautiful and your glass possesses no
cracks."*

*"But, don't you see, sir,"
repeated the glass, "I am already
broken."*

*"No, you're not," barked the
man and he drank the water from the
glass.*

*"See? Perfect. You are
perfect." and he placed the glass
carefully back on the shelf. Before he
left the room, he took one more look at
the glass and asked it, "Why do you
keep saying you're broken when you're
not?"*

*"How else will you see me?"
responded the glass.*

*"Excuse me?" said the man, "I
don't understand."*

*"How many times have you
picked me up and drank from me?"*

asked the glass.

*"Hundreds of times." answered
the man.*

*"Exactly!" was the glass' sharp
reply. "And you never once saw my
beauty. But this time, because you were
afraid I was broken, you took time to
look at me and you saw how precious I
really am. If that's what it takes to get
your attention, then remember, this
glass is already broken."*

On September 11th our 8th grade
students hosted a Day of
Remembrance and Prayer Service for
our student body and school
community.

As we reflect on the events of 6 years
ago let us hold our child(ren) close to
our hearts and give thanks to God for
our most precious gifts of life. Because
our gift is so fragile we must always
hold and see the ones we love first and
foremost in our minds and hearts. Our
daily "routine" seems small and
insignificant when compared with the
potential loss of those we love.

Together, let us reassure our children
that they are safe and well cared for.
Let us pray that our leaders restore
peace and calm to a nation in grief and
let us remember the victims, their
families and the tremendous loss of life
in our prayers and thoughts.

Let us give thanks for those who
risked their lives to rescue and assist
those within the wreckage. Although
the "glass is already broken," let us
see our country and our people made
strong and resolute through our trust
in God.

SINCERELY, KEN WILLERS

IMPORTANT SCHOOL INFORMATION & UPDATES

Future dates: Reminders:

September 17- 28:

IOWA Testing:

Testing will begin the last two weeks in September. Please be sure to schedule all appointments, doctors or otherwise after school for that time period. Please be sure children get enough rest and eat a good breakfast, and get to school on time.

September 19:

Early dismissal, 2:30pm faculty meeting

Hearing tests are scheduled @ 8:00am for children in Kindergarten only. Testing for the older students/grades will take place at another date.

8th grade parent meeting with Sr. Lil @ 6:30pm

September 20:

PTG Board meeting (time to be announced)

September 21:

10:30am Student Council Liturgy @ St. John's Church

September 24:

12:30 Dismissal/ Teachers in Service

IOWA Testing continues

September 28:

No School for students

Archdiocesan Workshop for all teachers

New School Counselor

Our new school counselor is Chantal Desloges. She currently works as an MFT trainee through the USF Center for Child and Family Development.

She is currently a second year graduate student in the Counseling Psychology program at USF. We are sending home her letter of introduction and one is a referral form and the other a parental consent for other forms if you are interested in counseling for your child. The form is in English on one side and Spanish on the opposite.

Candy Sale Update:

"We still have 10 families who haven't picked up chocolate. This is a mandatory fundraiser. Please pick up your chocolate. We have a fantastic BMX Bike show for those who sell 4 boxes. Please help us to reach our goal. All money is due by September 24 to be eligible for all prizes."

Thank You, Lety and Liz

Lost and Found

Parents, please take note that the Lost & Found is no longer in the upstairs office. All Lost & Found items

are going to be stored in the gym next to the stairs that lead to the library. You can check there if your child has any items missing. Ms. Mica Berrios will be handling all lost and found items. She tries to make sure that any items with the children's names are returned as soon as possible. Please make sure that your child has his or her name on their clothing and **Please** check your children's clothing occasionally to make sure they are wearing their own clothing. Sometimes they may accidentally pick up another student's clothing during lunch, p.e or even recess and do not realize.

We do have a few students that have their names in their clothing and still are lost. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Lunch:

Lunches will begin on a daily schedule as noted on the front of this newsletter. All Lunches still remain \$4.00. The other prices still remain the same. Snacks start from .75 to a \$1.00. Soups, salads, and baked potatoes are \$2.00 each. Please be sure to inform Mrs. Grande of any food allergies that your child may have. Some parents have discussed this with her and she will try to accommodate the children. Please be aware that there may be a time that your child may purchase something without her knowing, (when it gets extremely busy or she has someone replacing her for any reason and that person may not be aware of any allergies.) She cannot be held responsible for those circumstances. If a family has a real concern as to this happening, please be sure to send the snacks and lunches for your child. All credit needs to be arranged through Mrs. Grande. Lunches are purchased early during morning assembly. There is no microwave available to heat up any of the children's food. The office cannot heat up the lunches, nor can Mrs. Grande and the staff. No glass bottles, or knives. Plastic forks and spoons are acceptable.

Snack Bar:

Flyers are going home today with information on donations to ongoing fundraiser for the Athletic Department. All donations will count towards service hours. Whatever you can contribute will be greatly appreciated.

Serramonte Shopping Field Trip:

See the flyer going home with information on how the school can win a free field trip for 200 students + \$1000 per each school for transportation and /or a check for \$200 each. Program starts from August 1, 2007 – January 31, 2008.

Thank You, Lety Moreno