



Saint Francis of Assisi School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Spring is in the air! Thank God the days are getting longer. This last quarter of the academic year is often the hardest for many of our students. They have longer, lighter days. They see summer closer and closer and sometimes they don't quite manage to motivate themselves for the last few months of school. Please do all you can do to help your child/children maintain the momentum necessary to complete their work with their best possible effort.

Hot Dog – Dress Down Day: MLB Opening Day, Tuesday, April 1st is a red, white or blue dress down, \$1 donation benefiting the Jimmy Fund. This is also a hot dog lunch with a free raffle into which all student's names will be entered. (See separate memo.)

School Liturgy: The April school liturgy will be held on Wednesday, April 9th at 8:45 A.M. and everyone is welcome to join us. Please join to pray the rosary at 8:20 A.M. in the church.

April Vacation: School vacation is April 21 - 25.

Science Week: Science week is the week of April 28 – May 2. We have many events planned for all grades.

Early Dismissal: April 10th is a 12:00 noon dismissal.

No School: April 11th there is NO SCHOOL. Please mark your calendars.

Spring Uniforms: Girls are not to wear their slacks to school after April 1st. All students may wear their uniform gym shorts for gym class starting the beginning of May, weather permitting. Students may wear: shorts purchased only from Harvey Uniform Company with "SFA Logo" and polo shirts, starting the beginning of May.

Important Dates:

June 4 Baccalaureate Grade 8

June 6 Graduation Grade 8

June 5 Kindergarten Graduation

June 6 Preschool Ceremony

June 11 Last day Grades 1 – 7 Noon dismissal

Vacation Dates for 2008 – 2009

December 22 – January 2

February 16 – 10

April 20 – 24

We encourage you to schedule your vacation times around these dates.

Tardy: Children are still coming to SFA late. Not only do children distract teaching, but they are missing out on important work. After receiving report cards, I am disappointed to see so many children arriving late. Please note.....This is on their permanent record card, which follows them to high school which may hinder their acceptance.

Concerns: Children are arriving to school as early as 7:15 A.M. Please review your Parent/Student Handbook. Children should not come to school until 7:40 A.M.

Emergency Crisis: Please be aware we have an Emergency Crisis Plan in place at Saint Francis of Assisi School. This includes fire drills, hostage situation, chemical spills, bus accidents or intruders. We will practice drills and you will be notified. Please see additional form in your child's Thursday envelope.

Book Fair: Our annual Spring Book Fair will be held on May 13 – 15. Stay tuned for more information which will be sent home with your child soon.

Thursday Notices: Anyone wishing to send a letter, memo or announcement must have it into the school office no later than Tuesday of that week and approval must be given by the principal.

Tuition Information: School year 2008 – 2009 tuition will be sent home within a few weeks.

Website: Please view our website at www.sfab.org for calendar, classroom newsletters and lots more.

God Bless,

Mrs. Vittoria DeBenedictis, M. Ed
Principal