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June 8, 2017

Important Dates

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| Field Day | 6/8 |
| Band Parent Meeting 6:30 pm | 6/8 |
| Grade Seven Wilcox Park Day | 6/9 |
| Grade Two Reading Party 1:00 pm | 6/9 |
| Grey Sail Fundraiser 6:00–9:00 pm | 6/9 |
| Grade Four State Capitals Reward Dairy Queen!! | 6/12 |
| Advisory Board Meeting 5:45 pm | 6/12 |
| Parent Meeting Classical Education 7:00 pm | 6/12 |
| Kindergarten Graduation St. Mary Church Hall 6:00 pm | 6/13 |
| Morning Prayer St. Mary Church 9:15 am | 6/15 |
| 1/2 Day Dismissal for Summer Vacation!!! | 6/15 |



As I write this, the students are enjoying Field Day on a perfect June Day! Finally. Thanks to all of our parent volunteers who help make this day possible.

Last night, in a beautiful ceremony at St. Mary Church, we said goodbye to the Class of 2017. We wish them well as they move forward with their education at Chariho High School, Fitch High School, Stonington High School, the Marine Science Magnet School and Georgetown Prep. We know they have bright futures ahead.

Tuesday evening, the Kindergarteners will be marking the end of their year. The ceremony takes place at 6:00 at St. Mary Church Hall. It is always a joyous event.

Tonight at 6:30, our new band director, Ryan Piccolo will be holding an introductory meeting. I am very excited about the new direction the band is taking. I hope that parents with students in the band, or who previously were in the band, as well as parents of students who are interested in joining, will attend this evening. The band is open to students in grades 4–8.

Friday evening is our last fundraiser of the year, a Beer Tasting with Hors d'oeuvres at Grey Sail Brewery in Westerly. Tickets are \$20. inclusive. Hope to see you there.

Speaking of exciting new directions, we will be holding a meeting at 7:00 pm Monday evening to answer any questions you may have about our classical curriculum enhancements. Although, as I mentioned in my letter, we will be instituting these enhancements over the next few years, some will be in place for the next school year.

Lots of field trips will be happening over the next few days. Students are usually allowed to wear their own clothes for these trips, rather than uniforms. But, once again, there are students who appear at school wearing outfits that do not comply with the regulations for dress down days. Short shorts, jeans (and jean shorts), tank tops, spaghetti straps, flip-flops are not allowed. Students who arrive at school wearing these items will not be allowed to go on the trip unless a different clothing item is brought in by their parents. Please don't put us in the position of telling the students they are not allowed on the trip. We would like to have a smooth and fun ending to the year, but we do need your help. If you are at all unsure of the appropriateness of an article of clothing, have your child wear something else. Thank you.

One week from today is the last day of the school year. As always, we will be going to St.

Mary Church at 9:15 for Morning Prayer. Students will then return to school on the buses. Dismissal will be at 12:05. If you need to pick your child up earlier than that, regular early dismissal rules apply (students must be signed out). No dismissals will take place at Church, all students must return to school. We would, however, love to have you join us for the last Morning Prayer of the school year.

We are making plans and beginning to order for next year, so please, if you haven't gotten in your registration, please do so as soon as possible. Thanks.

This is probably my last letter of the year. We wish you all a relaxing summer vacation. Don't forget to keep those reading and math skills up. If your child reads for just 1/2 hour each day, and spends a little time each week reviewing math, those skills will stay sharp. There are lots of great websites out there that are fun for the kids while they review.

We will see you in late August. Thank you for sharing your students with us. Have a great summer!

God Bless,
Mrs. Messina