September 2016



Archbishop Neale School

Important Dates

September

- 5 School Closed Labor Day
- 6 Scantron Testing Begins
- 8 Volleyball Practice 2-3:30 PM
- 12 School Board
- 13 Volleyball Practice 2-3:30 PM
- 15 Volleyball STP @ ANS
- 16 School Closed Fair Day
- 20 Volleyball ANS @ SMB
- 21 Individual Picture
 Day
- 22 Fall Begins
- 26 Deficiencies

Volleyball ANS @ STP

28 Noon Dismissal

TADS 17-18 Financial Assistance Opens

Soccer Tournament

Pizza Hotline Spirit Night

Volleyball SMB @ ANS

9/29 – 10/6 Book Fair

WELCOME!



We hope that everyone had a safe and relaxing summer break! Welcome back to our returning families and we give a special welcome to all new families joining our ANS family. Please extend a warm welcome to our new faculty/staff members: Mrs. Katie Davis (Middle School Reading), Mrs. Lee Anne Bowie (PreK 3) and Mrs. Linda Hodgson (Grade 1 Teacher). Here's to a successful and rewarding school year!

Help Wanted

We are still in need of volunteers in the following areas:

<u>Bus Monitors:</u> At McDonough, St. Charles and PM at LaPlata High Schools. Call the school office for more information.

Playground: Volunteers needed. Contact Lisa McQueen at 301-392-6255.

AM Carpool: Volunteers needed from 7:00-7:40 AM to assist with carpool. Contact Judy Melvin through the school office.

<u>Uniform Exchange</u>: The Uniform Exchange is looking for volunteers to help with uniform sales. If you are interested, please contact Eileen Pastorious at 202-841-1548.

Safety

<u>Carpool Reminders</u>: Thank you for following carpool drop-off and pick-up procedures. Students arriving after 7:35 AM should be dropped off at the front entrance and signed in by a parent.

<u>Bus Reminders</u>: We have been advised by the Charles County Public Schools Department of Transportation that cars are <u>not</u> allowed to pass school buses when they are discharging students in a school parking lot. Your cooperation and patience are appreciated. *Please remember this is for the safety of the students.*

Bus Emergency Forms: Forms were sent home the first week of school with all bus riders. They must be returned to the office as soon as possible. These forms are kept on file in the school office and must be taken to the scene in the event of a bus accident. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Building Visitors

All visitors to the school are required to sign in with the front office to receive a badge before proceeding to any other part of the building. The safety of our school is of the utmost importance and we appreciate your patience and cooperation.



Calendar Changes

Please change the following dates on your school calendar:

May 4 – regular day of school June 1 – Noon Dismissal

Reminders



All paperwork that was in the back-to-school packet should have been returned to the school office.

Please call the school office by 8:00 AM if your child will be absent from school. Notes regarding absentee must be turned into the homeroom teacher when the child returns.

Make sure that all phone number, address or email changes are reported to the school office.

If your child has a change in their transportation, a note **must** be sent to the teacher. Bus passes will be approved and issued by the office.

Thank You



To Virginia Persinger and Karissa Prigge for assembling the back-to-school packets and filling gym orders.

To Howard Schrader for assisting with computer upgrades and other jobs around the school.

To the parents who assisted the front office the first day of school: Danette Broughton, Andrea Marshall, Zena Cloyd and Mylia Nixon.

Many thanks to the following individuals who helped with painting, computer programming and installation, and beautification of school grounds over the summer to get our school ready to open: John Deeb, Jason Deese, Roland Turner, Tawanna Sewell, Tom Poley and Kevin Leahy, Clark Burroughs and Karen Anderson.

Special Thanks! To the following parents for their work over the summer:

Robert Turner – for the beautification around the circle driveway and around the school sign to include weeding and planting flowers.

Katherine Myers – for weeding the beds in front of the school and installing a soaker hose in the flower beds.

F.D. Mudd – for donating landscaping services to beautify the school grounds.

We certainly appreciate the efforts of these parents to help get the school up and running.

Fatima Statue

The Our Lady of Fatima statue is available to visit your home for a week to bring blessings to your family. Please send a note to the office indicating which week you would like to have the statue visit your home.



"MyANS Page"

Reminder that you can sign up for e-mail notification for your child's teacher(s) "MyANS" page to receive notification whenever the page is updated with new information. From the website, click "MyANS" tab at the end of the menu bar and you will see the box to sign up on the right side. Also, if you would like to "unsubscribe" from these notifications (when your child moves up a grade, etc.), please contact Mrs. Mary Ellen Howard, the computer teacher, to be removed from the list. Her email address is

computers@archbishopnealeschool.org.

Support Your School Please remember to re-register your bonus cards

with Giant, Food Lion and Escrip.

Please continue to collect **BoxTops for Education**. Send them to the office.

Capri Sun pouches Bring them into the school. ANS receives \$.02 per pouch.

Target Complete a Target Guest Card application through the Take Charge of Education Program and ANS will receive 1% of all your Target purchases.

Gift Certificates Please continue to support ANS through the purchase of gift certificates. Orders will be filled on Fridays. Walk-ins are welcome between 8:00 AM and 3:00 PM. Remember that each ANS family is required to purchase a minimum of \$2,000.

Shoparoo A free mobile app for iPhone and Android users. Buy the products you want, snap pictures of your receipts to make an instant donation to ANS. Go to www.shoparoo.com. Great way to raise funds for our school all year long.

Catholic Night @ Blue Crabs

The Blue Crabs will be hosting Catholic Night at Regency Furniture Stadium on Saturday, September 10. Game time is at 6:35 PM and gates open at 5:30 pm. The Papal Fiat will be at the stadium collecting non-perishable food items for the Southern Maryland Food Bank. Bishop Holley will be throwing out the first pitch. Tickets can be purchased online at somdbluecrabs.com. Select the date and click the tickets button. Use the promo code Catholic. Tickets are \$10 and a portion of the proceeds will be donated back for tuition assistance. Stay around after the game and enjoy the fireworks extravaganza.



