

September 2019



# Archbishop Neale School

## Important Dates

### September

- 5 Band Demo
- 9 Scantron Testing Begins
- 12 Opening Mass @ 10:00 AM
- 13 No School Fair Day
- 17 Volleyball 4 PM ANS @ SMB
- 16 Hot Lunch Begins
- 18 HSA @ 6:30 PM Back to School Night
- 24 Volleyball 4PM SMB @ ANS
- 26 Noon Dismissal  
Volleyball 4PM ANS @ STP
- 30 Scantron Testing Ends

### October

- 3 Interim Reports Issued  
Individual Pictures  
Volleyball 4:00 PM STP @ ANS
- 4 Fall Festival

## 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 member: Mrs. Heather Cartwright (Grade 5 Math).* Here's to a successful and rewarding school year!

## Help Wanted



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

**Bus Monitors:** At McDonough, St. Charles, Lackey and LaPlata High Schools.

**Playground:** Volunteers needed

**AM Carpool:** Volunteers needed from 7:00-7:40 AM to assist with carpool.

**Please sign up on Track It Forward to volunteer for these positions.**



## Safety

**Carpool Reminders:** 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.

**Bus Reminders:** We have been advised by the Charles County Public Schools Department of Transportation that cars are **not** 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.*

## Fall Festival – October

Join us for the annual Fall Festival on Friday, October 4, from 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy games, crafts, hayrides and more! Lots of parent volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Sign up to help out on Track It Forward. Admission is \$10 per family and advance registration and payment is encouraged. A registration form will be sent home with your youngest child soon. For more information, contact Jennifer Harris at (703) 582-4110 or email [hsa@archbishopnealeschool.org](mailto:hsa@archbishopnealeschool.org).



## Building Visitors

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

## TADS Financial Assistance 2020-2021

**Applications for the 2020-2021 Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance will open on Tuesday, October 2, 2019 for returning families. The deadline for applications to be submitted is Friday, December 6. In order to be eligible for assistance through the school, you must have applied through TADS.**

## 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.

Parents are welcome to join us when we attend Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Mass dates are listed on your calendar.

## Thank You



To the following parents for their help assembling the back-to-school packets: Tamara Praytor, Jenna Link, and Christa Smith. Thank you to Karissa Prigge for filling gym uniform orders.

To the parents who assisted the front office the first day of school: Danette Broughton and Nancy Mudd.

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

Many thanks to the following individuals who helped with painting, computer programming and installation, telephones, and other jobs over the summer to help get our school ready to open: Mike Storie, James Hamilton, Angela Griffin, Sarah Freeman, Marc Proctor, John Deeb, Michael Praytor, Ricky Dilpreet, and Carol Hargrove.

## Support Your School

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

**Gift Cards:** Purchase gift cards through the Certificate Office. Each family is required to purchase \$2,000 by April 30.

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

**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](http://www.shoparoo.com). This is a great way to raise funds for our school all year long.

**AmazonSmile:** Support ANS when you shop on Amazon. When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to ANS. Just go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You can use your existing Amazon.com account. Every time you purchase items marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product pages, a donation is made to ANS. Be sure that on your first visit to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) you designate Archbishop Neale School as your charity before you begin shopping.

## Golf Tournament

You are invited to participate in the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, October 18. The event will begin with a shotgun tee-off at 9 a.m. at Swan Point Yacht & Country Club. Players can register for \$100 per person. Registration includes cart, lunch, prizes and the putting contest. Registration forms are available at the ANS Office. A variety of sponsorship opportunities are available, from \$100 up to \$2,500. Donations are also being sought for gifts and prizes at the event. All proceeds benefit Archbishop Neale School's technology improvement program. For more information, contact Mike Davis at (240) 561-4192 or email [mikedavis39@gmail.com](mailto:mikedavis39@gmail.com).



## From Your HSA

One of the best ways you can support your child is by fostering their spiritual development at home and school. ANS extends an open invitation for families to join us for monthly Mass. We hope you mark your calendars and make time to attend our first monthly Whole School Mass, scheduled on Thursday, Sep. 12, at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church. We are honored to welcome Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, who will join us for this occasion. Pope Francis appointed him as the seventh Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Washington on April 4, 2019 and was installed on May 21, 2019. He is the first African-American Archbishop to serve in this position.

## Track It Forward

Archbishop Neale School will be using Track It Forward for families to sign up and track volunteer hours for the 2019-2020 school year. Hopefully, this online system will make tracking your hours easy and will give you a better picture of your volunteer obligation status throughout the year. An informational flyer was provided in your back-to-school packet. If you have participated in any activities over the summer and your hours are not recorded in your account, please contact Patti Lockrow at [plockrow@archbishopnealeschool](mailto:plockrow@archbishopnealeschool). If you did not receive an invitation to log into your Track It Forward account, need assistance with logging hours or have discrepancies with any hours, please contact Patti.

## Bus Emergency Forms

Bus emergency forms were sent home with all students who utilize Charles County buses. They must be returned to the office **by Friday, September 20**. 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 in returning these forms promptly is greatly appreciated.

