Dear Holy Rosary Families,

It's almost time.... Now that we are almost halfway through August, we begin to think about the start of our new school year! I trust that everyone is trying to stay cool and finding some time for a bit of relaxation and rest. As we open doors for a new school year, we invite the Holy Spirit to guide our learning, friendships, and faith.

Our Summer Enrichment Program is entering week 8 and starting to wind down as well. But we do have a few weeks left to participate if any family is interested (our last day of SEP is August 22^{2nd}). Each day students take part in Religion/Math/ELA classes while also participating in weekly arts and crafts, Literacy Club, Fun and Fitness, STEM/Technology, and outdoor recreation – all while receiving free breakfast/lunch/snacks!

Our tentative calendar was emailed last month and is available on our website for families to begin planning for the new school year. Also included was a summary of our uniform code. Please review these pages carefully as you make back to school purchases and prepare for the beginning of school. The link to our uniform company (Liebman's) can be found on our website and they are able to do online orders, provide phone support or help with in-store purchases.

We are currently planning our academic goals for the year, reviewing updated curriculum, and also looking forward to beginning our after-school clubs as well! We use these summer months to help prepare for the upcoming year to ensure the best opportunities for student success.

REMINDERS:

- *Opening Schedule Our first day of classes for the new school year is on September 4th for all grades Prek through grade 8
- *Prek 8:00am-2:30pm please see your orientation letter for details
- *Kindergarten 8:30am-2:30pm please see your orientation letter for details
- *1st through 8th 7:45am-2:30pm
- *Summer Work/Supplies: Please be sure to check the website for supply lists and summer work so that everyone is ready for our first day back! Summer work is due on September 19th so please use the final few weeks of summer to get caught up on assignments.
- *After School Program: Please take time today to register if you will need our ASP during the school year. The application is available on our website so please sign up now to reserve your

spot as spaces fill up quickly. An ASP application does not confirm your space – once your application is completed online you will receive a call from the main office to confirm your spot.

*Grades 1st - 8th will start ASP on 9/4

*Grades Prek and K will start ASP on 9/8

*Bus Service/OMNY Cards We have emailed this info to our families and it is also available on our website. Please review and complete all forms if you would like your children to either receive an OMNY card or yellow bus service

Our school office is open throughout the summer from 8am-5pm daily. Please call or stop by with any questions or concerns. I am available by phone or Dojo, so please feel free to reach out at any time.

Please continue to enjoy the summer! BUT also remember to make time for daily review and academic activities. Spending at least 30 minutes per day will keep your child at an advantage when school begins in September and avoids the "summer slump" when children typically get out of the habit of using critical thinking skills.

As we continue through these final days of summer we continue to grow together in faith, knowledge, and service, always keeping Christ at the center.

Enjoy the remaining weeks of summer!

Stay well and God Bless,

Mrs. Maryann Fusco Principal