

The Halo Report

Saint Augustine Catholic School

1421 V Street NW, Washington, DC 20009

Theme 2022-2023:

"For we walk by faith, not by sight." - 2 Corinthians 5:7

Greetings Parents/Guardians and Teachers!

We hope that everyone enjoyed Easter break. As we get closer to the end of the school year, let us continue in high spirits on the path of learning and development.

Thursday, April 20th - Faculty Staff Meeting

No Aftercare Activities

Please be prompt in picking up your child(ren) so that we all can start the staff meeting on time.

Friday, April 28th Middle School Retreat

We will be taking our Middle School students (with the exception of those receiving confirmation) on an in-school retreat on Friday, April 28th. This retreat is considered part of our school's curriculum and will count as a religion assignment. This will be the only time students will be allowed to wear their gym uniforms to Friday Mass.

New Dismissal Policy

Out of an abundance of concern for our student's well being we will be dismissing all students from the Saint Augustine Room at the end of the day. There will be two teachers outside of the school to facilitate the pickup of students. This policy will begin tomorrow, April 20th.

2023 Science Fair

Science Fair projects and additional materials must be brought to school on Thursday April 27, 2023, the day of the Science Fair. All projects will be dropped off in the Saint Augustine Room after morning prayers. Students will then be given time to setup their boards and materials. The fourth through eighth grade presentations and judging will be held from 10:30 am – 2:30 pm in the Saint Augustine Room. The winners will be announced that afternoon. The Science Fair winner's display boards will be placed in the main hallway. All other boards and materials must be taken home the same day as the Science Fair or they will be discarded the next morning.



*Thursday 4/20
Faculty Staff Meeting
No Aftercare Activities*

*Thursday 4/27
Science Fair*

*Friday 4/28
Middle School Retreat*

*Saturday 4/29
Confirmation Retreat*

*Saturday 4/29
First Penance*

*Tuesday 5/2
Last Home School
Association Meeting
6:00 PM*

*Friday 5/5
12:30 PM Dismissal –
Staff Professional
Development*

*Sunday 5/7
First Holy Communion*

*Monday 5/10
Teacher Appreciation
Week Begins*

Opportunity Scholarship Program Re-Enrollment Deadline

To Our Scholarship Parents/Guardians, re-registration closes Friday, April 21, 2023. At that time your child(ren) will be placed on a waiting list. We have several families on a waiting list.

Please contact Ms. Teran if your child(ren) will not return to Saint Augustine Catholic School for the 2023-2024 Academic School Year. You can reach Ms. Teran at 202-265-1470
lteran@saintaugustine-dc.org.

Welcome Back!

Saint Augustine Catholic School welcomes back Mrs. Lee, who will work in the front office until April 28th.

Saint Augustine Summer School/Summer Enrichment

Saint Augustine School will once again offer Summer School/Enrichment to our students at no cost. The programs are available for kindergarten through eighth grades from June 26 to July 27. The program will be held Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 12:15 pm. More details to come.

School Safety

Please remember to check-in at the main office whenever you come into the school building (Please refer to the parent/student handbook page 42). In addition, we are asking that parents exit through the front doors only. This policy is for the safety of everyone in the building.

Student Uniform Guidelines

As we enter the fourth quarter, please remember all students should be in full academic uniform except on the day when students have PE. (No PE sweatshirts over the formal academic uniform). Additionally, No body piercing except pierced ears. Girls may wear one pair of earrings not larger than a dime. Boys may not wear earrings of any type. Jewelry should be limited to one watch, a ring) and a simple cross or a holy medal on a narrow silver or gold chain. No nail polish, cosmetics, colored lip gloss, colored chapstick, or artificial nails may be worn. Hair should be clean and neatly arranged.

UPDATE FROM Mr. McCoy and AFTERCARE:

- The Recycling Club will not be held during the fourth Quarter.
- Sewing Club started on Tuesday April 18, 2023 with Dr. Williams as Moderator.
- Cooking class will begin on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 3:45 pm with Chef Ramirez.

Thank you for supporting Saint Augustine Catholic School!
Sincerely,

Sister Emmanuella Ladipo, HHCJ, President
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April 19, 2023

Dear Parents /Guardians,

I hope you had a restful and rejuvenating Easter Break!

I am writing to update you on the concerns that were expressed to the administration at the last HSA meeting.

First, regarding our search for the Science teacher, we have an interview for the Science teacher position occurring this week. Once a teacher is selected it will take three weeks or more for the background check, finger printing and Virtus training to be completed by the Archdiocesan Catholic Schools Office.

Secondly, securing a new hire for the Kindergarten teacher position is also in progress having identified teachers to interview this week also. Our goal is to have the teacher in place following the same protocol.

The Science Fair remains on track to occur on Thursday April 27, 2023 for fourth through eighth grade. We have three competent judges to evaluate and select the winning Science Fair projects. Students are expected to bring their project on the morning of the Science Fair.

Graded IXL Assignments have been given to the Science classes and Students will receive a grade for their Science project for the fourth quarter.

I can now report that Father Patrick Smith has secured a professional firm to perform a national search to identify top candidates for a new principal for Saint Augustine Catholic School. In conjunction with the Firm, a Principal Search Committee made up of key stake holders of the school including parents and teachers will also play a key role in vetting the best candidates identified by the Firm.

Once again thank you for your feedback, ideas and cooperation during this final quarter of the school year and preparations for the 2023-2024 School Year. Please feel free to email or call me with any questions or need for clarification you may still have. Please continue to look to the weekly Halo Newsletter for additional updates as they occur.

Sincerely,

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President/Principal
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