



Holy Name of Mary School



Father David Regan, Pastor

Mrs. Marcia Velasco, Principal

Dear Families,

I hope everyone had a nice weekend. The first week of school was really wonderful. It has been great to meet all of you and your families. Students have started the year off in a really positive way. Thank you to the teachers, staff, custodians, students and their families! Middle school teachers had a middle school meeting to discuss academic and behavioral expectations.

Our first school mass went exceptionally well. We were very proud of our students and their behavior during the mass. Thank you to Father Regan for the Blessing of the Backpacks. Thank you to Ms. McEnaney, our choir, bell choir, altar server and lectors for their participation.

It was really nice to see some of our families at the 9 a.m. mass this morning. Thanks for attending and saying hello! A reminder we have masses on Sunday at 7:45 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and the spanish mass is at 1 p.m.

Media Release forms

We would love to post pictures on social media of the first week of school, special events, class projects, ceremonies etc. Please follow us on Instagram and Facebook to see our content. Please sign the media release form that was sent out on Friday. Our teachers do a great job of not posting personal or identifying information about our students and are always thinking about safety.

Technology and Handbook

Please complete and sign (your child must sign too) our Technology form. Once we receive the signed forms back, we can start to distribute ipads and chromebooks.

Please read our handbook which is on our website. Please sign the form that was sent home on Friday acknowledging you read the handbook.

Lunch

Please send your child with a bagged lunch, order from Brown Bag it or buy pizza from us on Fridays.

If you want to order lunch for your child, please use the brown bag service. UberEats, seamless and other delivery services are not allowed because of safety concerns. We do not want to open the door repeatedly throughout the day.

<https://hnomschool.org/brown-bag-it-lunch-program>

Pizza on Fridays! Starting this Friday, you can order pizza for your child. A flier was sent home on Friday with details.

Uniform

Uniformity is part of the catholic school experience. Uniforms keep everything fair. It is not fair if one student in the class is out of uniform (including footwear colors). We will begin to have friendly class incentives based on being in full uniform.

Physical education/gym uniform

Students should only wear the gym uniform when they have physical education. For the gym uniform, all white sneakers are necessary. These can be purchased at the store of your choice. They have all white sneaker options at: Old Navy, Amazon, Nike, Kohls etc.

Dress Uniform

Please ensure your child is in full dress uniform and wearing all black shoes (not sneakers). A reminder we have a uniform store within our school! We sell gently used uniforms that have been laundered at a fraction of the cost. Please contact the main office to come by and shop with us. If you have uniforms you would like to donate, please drop them off at the office.

This week:

Monday, September 11, 2023

Prayer Service in Remembrance of September 11th

Grades K- 8 have a full day 8:10 a.m.-2:45/2:50

Nursery 9 a.m. -11 a.m.

PreK 8:45 a.m. -11 a.m

Grades 1,6,7 and 8 have physical education. Please have them wear the PE/gym uniform with all white sneakers. You can find all white sneakers at Old Navy, amazon, Nike,Kohls etc.

B.A.S.E our after school program begins for grades 1-8 <https://hnomschool.org/base-program>

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Full day for Nursery - 8th Grade

N 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

PreK 8:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Grades K- 8 have a full day 8:10 a.m.-2:45/2:50

Grades 3, K,2, 4 and 5 have physical education. Please have them wear the PE/gym uniform with all white sneakers. You can find all white sneakers at Old Navy, amazon, Nike,Kohls etc.

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 7 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church in Oceanside

Middle School Families - High School Information Night for Regis High School - an all boys school in NYC. The information session is in Oceanside but the school is in New York City.

Sign up here <https://www.regis.org/section/?id=198>

Wednesday, September 13

Grades 4,5 and 6 have physical education on Wednesday. Please have students wear their gym uniform with all white sneakers. You can find all white sneakers at Old Navy, amazon, Nike,etc.

Thursday, September 14

Meet the Teacher Night for K-8 from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Our Parent Teacher League (parent organization) will be present! Please be sure to stop by to see how you can participate this year! It is a great opportunity to pay your dues.

If you pay your dues on Meet the Teacher Night, your child will receive a NUT card (no uniform).

Friday, September 15

Pizza Day! Money is collected first thing in the morning.

Next 2 weeks:

Sunday, September 24, 2023 - School Mass - Blessing of Teachers - 11 a.m. We encourage all of our families to attend.

Monday, September 5, 2023 - i-Ready Diagnostic - students take a diagnostic to see where their skills are in terms of English Language Arts and Math. Based on your child's results - they will be given an individualized path online to help strengthen their areas of growth. Teachers use your child's data to see what needs to be retaught and to create small groups for extra help. Please visit this link for more information about iready

<https://i-readycentral.com/familycenter/faqs/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VzKIRldsAqU> A video with more information on how iReady works.

Wednesday, September 27 - Picture Day (details coming soon)

Thursday, September 28 - 7 p.m. National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony

Peace and Blessings,

Mrs. Marcia Velasco

Principal

