

CALLED BY CHRIST

JULY 26, 2010

FIRST PARENT BULLETIN FOR 2010-2011

Called By Christ to love and serve as Children of God, is our theme this school year. May we all respond "Yes" each day.

Prayers Please!!!! Please storm heaven at this time for one of our 5 year olds, Jack Fineske. A tumor was discovered in the base of his brain. He had surgery Monday morning and we are waiting for an update at this time. Please pray for a miracle of complete and speedy recovery.

Greetings from Lial Catholic School. For the past several years we have done away with a summer mailing and posted everything on line. However, there are a number of pieces of information that I felt were important for you to receive in a letter from me.

The first item involves a significant capital improvement project that needed to be undertaken right away. It was brought to our attention toward the end of last school year that our ventilation system at school could not be repaired and therefore, needed to be replaced and updated. This was something for which we neither expected nor planned. A good ventilation system is of course, a physical necessity of a good learning environment. The Board of Trustees recently approved the project to replace and update our current ventilation system in the academic wing this summer.

Currently, work on this project is being done by companies run by former and/or current Lial families. We extend our gratitude to Pat Bolger from Bolger Brothers; Fran Lanciaux from Commercial Comfort; and Tim, Brian, and Matt Gruber from Ridge Stone Builders. All of them are taking good care of us. Originally, I was told that the system would be functional by the end of September. I recently received word that all work may be completed as early as mid-August.

Our hope, of course, is to see as much of the work done as soon as possible prior to the start of the new school year. This is a major expense for which we found it necessary to take out a low interest \$200,000 loan from the Sisters of Notre Dame. The next five years we will focus our efforts to repay this debt while maintaining a high quality affordable education for our children.

On another topic, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you our new faculty for the 2010-11 school year.

Sr. Mary Rose will be working part time in primary helping with the Language Arts program.

Sr. Mary Anton, is returning to Lial. It is wonderful having Sister back home with us. Sister will be our Librarian.

Mrs. Laura Lehman will be one of our Primary Family Room teachers, teaching 2nd year Religion, Language Arts and Math.

Mrs. Julianne Boyd will be our Technology Coordinator and teacher.

Mrs. Christina Yeager, one of our former primary teachers is now ministering in Intermediate, teaching Religion, Language Arts and Social Studies. A familiar face with a new name continues to serve us at Lial. We congratulate **Mrs. Bloomquist** on her summer wedding. Mrs. Bloomquist will continue teaching the whole school PE and Intermediate Science.

Other pieces of information:

You can find this year's school supply list and school calendar on our website at www.lialschool.org

Important dates to remember:

August 9 New Readiness Student Assessment Day-time is scheduled individually (All new students older than Readiness will be contacted by their teacher to schedule an assessment in early August.)

August 12 New Family Buddy Picnic 6:30 at School

August 17 Parent night for Primary at 6:30 and Readiness at 7:30, childcare will be provided.

August 18 Orientation Day from 9:00-12:00 for all students and parents. Bring all your school supplies and meet your teachers.

August 18 Parent night for Middle School at 6:30 and Intermediate at 7:30, childcare will be provided.

August 19 1st Full day of School, for returning Readiness students and all other students.

August 26 1st day of School for our new Readiness students.

Athletics is a fun part of Lial Catholic School. Cross Country and Volleyball are starting now. If you are interested in either sport please contact Doug Leu, our Athletic Director at dleu@impactretention.com

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