

Saber Summaries

Principals' Office 2016-2017 Year-End Wrap-Up

Fond Farewells and Warm Welcomes

Staffing, Grade Level Changes for 2017-2018 Re-Capped

At the end of this school year, we will say goodbye to fifth grade homeroom teacher Mrs. Newman, sixth grade homeroom teacher Mrs. Spinner, and seventh grade homeroom teacher Mrs. Hamby. We thank all of them for their service to our school and wish them well as they move on to pursue new opportunities.

These departures, plus the move to three kindergarten classes and two first grade classes, will lead to some changes in the fall. With the increase from two to three kindergarten classes, Miss Bennett will join the kindergarten teaching team. Mrs. Piekarski and Mrs. Thomson will continue to co-teach one class in Room 102 while Mrs. Holland teaches another in Room 101. Mrs. Conley will move from third grade to second to take Miss Bennett's place. As our two kindergarten classes move forward to first grade, Miss Riley will shift from first grade to third to take Mrs. Conley's place. Mrs. Parri and Mrs. Pelini will be the assistants in Room 102, while Mrs. Paterakis and Mrs. McGrath will be the assistants in Room 101. Mrs. Olack will be the assistant in Room 105 with Miss Bennett. Mrs. Goske will be assisting in first grade.

Mrs. Moloney and Mrs. Sollenberger will remain as fifth grade homeroom teachers, with Mrs. Moloney teaching reading and religion and Mrs. Sollenberger teaching English and social studies. Joining Mrs. Moloney and Mrs. Sollenberger as a fifth grade homeroom teacher will be Mrs. Rauber, who will teach math and science. Mrs. Rauber has taught at the middle school level at another Catholic school, prior to which she served as the school's librarian. She is certified grades K-12 as well as special education, and is a Summa Cum Laude graduate of the University of Akron.

Another new face joining our teaching staff in the fall will be Mr. Seeman, who will join Miss Buzzi and Miss McMahon as a sixth grade homeroom teacher. Mr. Seeman will teach sixth grade math and science, while Miss Buzzi teaches English and social studies and Miss McMahon teaches reading and religion. Mr. Seeman has taught seventh and eighth grade math and science at various locations and has served as a coach for several sports. A graduate of John Carroll University, he is also pursuing a master's degree in instructional technology.

Mrs. Bisei will join Mrs. Durkin and Mrs. Falhamer as our third eighth grade homeroom teacher. Mrs. Durkin will continue to teach seventh and eighth grade science, Mrs. Falhamer will continue to teach eighth grade English and reading, and Mrs. Bisei will teach seventh and eighth grade math. Mrs. Bisei has served as our part-time math tutor for five years, and prior to that taught high school math from basic to honors pre-calculus. Mrs. Bisei is a graduate of the University of Akron with certification in grades 7-12 math and general science.

Mrs. Bisei's move to a full-time teaching position created a vacancy in the part-time math tutor position she previously held. That position will be filled by Mrs. Griesse, who taught seventh grade reading and religion, but is certified to teach both language arts and math. Moving into Mrs. Griesse's seventh grade homeroom position will be Mrs. Hoffmann, who will teach seventh grade English and religion. Mrs. Hoffmann previously served as a long-term substitute teacher during Miss Buzzi's medical leave earlier this year. Prior to

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Don't Forget to Pay Balances Now

Just a reminder that all 2016-2017 tuition, fees and library fines should be paid by now. Failure to pay these will result in the holding of report cards and records. Tuition and fees for 2017-2018 are payable in accordance with the plan you have selected through our FACTS tuition management service. Please direct questions regarding tuition and fees to St. Hilary Parish Business Manager Lou Camerato at 867-1055, ext. 203.

2017-2018 Class Lists to be Emailed

In the past, class lists were posted on our school website at 12:01 a.m. on August 1. The incredible immediate volume of online traffic this causes overwhelms our website, rendering it inaccessible. To solve this problem, we will again follow the procedure begun two years ago. At 12:01 a.m. on August 1, class lists will be emailed to all families in the One Call Now system. Class lists will be posted online later that day.

Changes to Note for 2017-2018 School Year

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that, Mrs. Hoffmann taught grades 5-8 in a variety of Catholic and public school settings. She holds a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Akron and grades 1-8 licensure from the State of Ohio.

Rounding out our seventh grade home-room teachers will be Mrs. Gaffney, who will teach seventh grade reading and eighth grade social studies and Mr. Sherry, who will teach seventh grade

social studies and eighth grade religion. We look forward to a smooth transition with each of these changes and welcome the new opportunities these changes bring!



Officers Elected

Congratulations to our newly-elected 2017-2018 Student Council officers: President - Natalie Fisher, Vice-President - Max Alexander, Secretary Vincent Rossetti, and Treasurer - Giana Mutersbaugh. Thank you to all of the students who ran for office! Elections for homeroom representatives for grades 3-8 will be held in the fall.

Scholarship Awarded

Congratulations to seventh graders Jackson, Max and Rachel Alexander, the winners of this year's Kevin Neff Memorial Scholarship. Recipients of this annual award, honoring St. Hilary alumnus Kevin Neff who died of a brain tumor, are selected based on their spiritual, academic and social qualities. Jackson, Max and Rachel's \$1,250 awards will be applied to their 2017-2018 tuition.

New Parent Leaders

Also new for 2017-2018 is our slate of parent leaders: Parents' Association President Jennifer Towell, President-Elect Jamie Malick, Vice-President Jennifer Montisano, Secretary Heather Bentley, and Treasurer Chris Eldred, as well as School Board President Kevin McGrath, Vice-President Paul Goske, Secretary David Reese, and Members Nathan Epstein, Brian Peterson, Nicole Redle, and David Woodburn. Thank you to these individuals and all of our parent volunteers who do so much to support our school!

Second Grader Tapped

Second grader Andrew Simonetti became the fourth recipient of the Klenotic Scholarship in memory of our former second grade teacher, Mrs. Jane Klenotic. Andrew was chosen based on his steadfast faith, strong work ethic, leadership, positive outlook, sense of humor, and confidence in the face of adversity. Andrew's \$1,000 award will be applied to his 2017-2018 tuition.

Reflecting on This Year and Looking Forward to Next Year

We would like to thank all the parents who took time to complete the recent year-end surveys. The feedback we received was overwhelmingly positive! We appreciate the many comments you shared. Please know that for every comment representing one point of view there was a comment representing an opposing point of view, and we strive to find the middle ground that best serves our students. We appreciate the trust you place in us to make the best possible decisions for your children. We are taking into consideration all of the comments shared with us, and where feasible, will work to address them as we plan for the 2017-2018 school year.

We are always looking for new ways to make our school even better, and have some improvements planned for the upcoming year. With the closing of Ascend, we will be moving to a new online student records management system: Gradelink. This system offers many of the features you have enjoyed through Ascend, with added features such as fillable forms and online re-registration. The implementation of Gradelink, coupled with the make-over of our school website this summer, will enable us to move many of our important forms online for your convenience. New this fall, watch for your important back-to-school forms to be available online through Gradelink and our school website, rather than in the packets previously distributed at Back-to-School Night. We look for-

ward to rolling out our new website in early August, so watch for information this summer.

Another exciting new addition will be the construction of a makerspace in our media center. This new facility will incorporate materials and equipment to enable students in all grades to explore, design, invent, create, build, and collaborate. The makerspace will feature a 3-D printer, LEGO wall, robots, circuitry, a collaboration table, and much more! Be sure to stop by and check it out during Back-to-School Night on August 21!

New for our seventh and eighth grade students will be career elective offerings that will include classes in STEM/health sciences, STEM/engineering, digital technology, entrepreneurship/marketing, entrepreneurship/finance, coding and robotics, graphic design, and writing. Through these classes, students will have the opportunity to explore and try their skills in a variety of areas that will expose them to some of the in-demand careers of today and the future. We look forward to offering our students this cutting-edge opportunity so that they can refine and build on their interests as they move on to high school and college.

While our seventh and eighth graders will continue to use the 1:1 iPads we provide for use at school and home, sixth graders will receive Chromebooks to use

at school and home. We purchased a set of Chromebooks this spring and after great success with their use in our fifth grade classes, decided to continue the use of Chromebooks as these students move forward to sixth grade in the fall. Purchasing Chromebooks versus iPads for our rising sixth graders will enable us to also purchase cases for the devices, as well as provide a built-in keyboard with which students can continue to develop their typing skills.

We look forward to a great 2017-2018 school year!

Students Excel at English Festival

In April, you read about 25 of our seventh and eighth grade students who were headed to Youngstown State University for the annual English Festival. We would like to congratulate several of our students who placed in competitions at that event. Clara Hoffert won first place in the Journalism competition, Emma Harrell took first place and Lindsey Sipplen took second place in the Not So Trivial Pursuit contest, Toby Baranek won first place and Charlie Earley won second place in the Limericks contest, and Jackson Alexander earned an honorable mention in the Writing Games competition. Mrs. Slanina was the faculty advisor for the students.

Eighth Graders Receive Scholarships and Awards

Congratulations to the following eighth grade students who received awards and scholarships at this week's eighth grade awards luncheon and presentation:

Archbishop Hoban Alumni Merit Scholarships: Allison Swiatkowski and Gabriella Woodburn

Archbishop Hoban Holy Cross Scholarship: Nick David

Archbishop Hoban Knight Award Scholarship: Zachary Brown

Archbishop Hoban Placement Test Scholarships: Isabelle Hahn, Luke Monteleone, Trent Suckling, and Allison Swiatkowski

Archbishop Hoban Ralph & Florence Bernard Scholarships: Luke Monteleone and James Salamone

Archbishop Hoban Blessed Basil Moreau Scholarship: Isabelle Hahn

Archbishop Hoban Br. James Caley Memorial Scholarship: Emma Advent

Archbishop Hoban Br. Paul Kelly CSC Scholarship: James Salamone

Archbishop Hoban Gene and Howard Considine Scholarship: Clara Krohn

Archbishop Hoban Coudriet Family Scholarship: Stephanie Conley

Archbishop Hoban Malloy Family Scholarship: Daniel Morris

Archbishop Hoban Dr. A.L. Peter Scholarship: Regina Demechko

St. Vincent-St. Mary Nick and Eileen Antonino Family Scholarship: Moira McCarron, Angela Peterson and Sadie Porchowsky

St. Vincent-St. Mary Bader Family Scholarship: Lucille Chmura

St. Vincent-St. Mary Ralph & Florence Bernard Scholarship: Sarah Sollenberger

St. Vincent-St. Mary Henkel Family Scholarship: Jonathan Mostoller

St. Vincent-St. Mary Irish Academic Scholarships: Giovanna Abuzejo and Anne Marie Hart

St. Vincent-St. Mary Irish Crusader Scholarship: Lucille Chmura

St. Vincent-St. Mary Irish Opportunity Scholarships: Max Montisano and Jonathan Mostoller

St. Vincent-St. Mary Freshman Marching Band Scholarships: Anne Marie Hart, Moira McCarron, Angela Peterson, and Nicole Reese

Walsh Jesuit Champion Society Awards: Robert Brennan, Aaron Hric, Katherine Krismanth, and Virginia Roman

Walsh Jesuit Scholastic Achievement Awards: Richard Hearty, Antonio Nestico and Meghan Resweber

Spirit of St. Hilary Awards: Giovanna Abuzejo and Connor Thomas

New Student Spirit of St. Hilary Awards: Zachary Brown and Clara Krohn

St. Hilary Perfect Attendance Award: Nicole Reese

St. Hilary Principal's Awards: Isabelle Hahn, Richard Hearty, Katherine Krismanth, and Luke Monteleone

St. Hilary Christian Leadership Awards: Nicholas David and Anne Marie Hart

St. Hilary Subject Area Awards: Algebra - Virginia Roman, Art - Clara Krohn, Chinese - Lucille Chmura, Computer - Meghan Vieltorf, French - Katherine Krismanth, History - Isabelle Hahn, Language Arts - Anne Marie Hart, Music - Eva Janigian, Physical Education - Isabelle Kwok, Pre-Algebra - Robert Brennan, Science - Antonio Nestico, and Spanish - Stephanie Conley

St. Hilary Outstanding Achievement in Academics (First Honors in all 8 Quarters - 7th and 8th grade): Robert Brennan, Lucille Chmura, Isabelle Hahn, Anne Marie Hart, Richard Hearty, Katherine Krismanth, Matthew Kwok, Nathan Lahovich, Antonio Nestico, Madelyn Pietrowski, Meghan Resweber, Virginia Roman, and Allison Swiatkowski

St. Hilary Outstanding Achievement in Academics (First Honors in all 4 Quarters - 8th grade): Giovanna Abuzejo, Robert Brennan, Lucille Chmura, Stephanie Conley, Nicholas David, Regina Demechko, Lucas Fall, Isabelle Hahn, Anne Marie Hart, Richard Hearty, Katherine Krismanth, Clara Krohn, Matthew Kwok, Nathan Lahovich, Daniel Monea, Luke Monteleone, Antonio Nestico, Madelyn Pietrowski, Sadie Porchowsky, Nicole Reese, Meghan Resweber, Virginia Roman, James Salamone, Sarah Sollenberger, Erik Stern, Allison Swiatkowski, and Gabriella Woodburn

St. Hilary Service Awards: Future Catholic Teachers - Giovanna Abuzejo, Emma Advent, Alyson Misenhelter, Sadie Porchowsky, Nicole Reese, and Sarah Sollenberger

St. Hilary Service Awards: Altar Servers - Clare George, Suzette Gissing, Bryce Hayden, Richard Hearty, Joseph Hoffmann, Nathan Lahovich, Luke Monteleone, Max Montisano, Jonathan Mostoller, Angela Peterson, Preston Pitchford, Nicole Reese, Meghan Resweber, Sarah Sollenberger, Allison Swiatkowski, Connor Thomas, and Michael Whitehouse

St. Hilary Athletic Association \$500 Scholarships: Regina Demechko and Nathan Lahovich

Dr. Joseph Congeni St. Hilary Athletic Association Athlete of Character Awards: Annabelle Brink and Richard Hearty

St. Hilary Athletic Association Athlete of the Year Awards: Annabelle Brink and James Salamone

St. Hilary Athletic Association Commissioner Awards: Basketball - Madelyn Pietrowski and James Salamone; Cheerleading—Katherine Krismanth; Cross Country — Daniel Morris and Sarah Sollenberger; Football - Max Montisano; Soccer - Matthew Kwok; Volleyball— Stephanie Conley; and Track & Field - Robert Cramer and Isabelle Hahn

Congratulations to all of our eighth graders!

New Records System Coming

For the past two years, we have used the Ascend student records management system. Ascend will be closing operations at the end of this school year. Gradelink will provide a seamless transition from Ascend to another one-stop online portal that supports everything our school needs, and will include added features, such as online fillable forms and online re-registration. Watch for information in August on how to access your Gradelink account!

Summer Skills Challenge

Complete Summer Solutions Math Book
Read 5 Books &
Complete 5 Book Report Forms
Earn 2 Dress Down Passes!

Put Name on All Work to Earn Credit!
Details on School Website Under Student Life

On behalf of our entire staff, we pray that you and your families enjoy a safe, healthy and happy summer. We look forward to seeing everyone's happy faces back at school in August!



Report Cards, Supply Lists, Dress Code

Final report cards and class supply lists for next year will be sent home with students on the last day of school. Class supply lists are also posted on the school website and will be available at local retailers in July. The school dress code was emailed in April and can be found on our website. There are quite a few changes from the current dress code, so please be sure to read the new code before purchasing uniform items. Please contact Mrs. Woodman with dress code questions. Class lists for the coming school year will be emailed to school families at 12:01 a.m. on August 1 and posted on the school website later that day. The school office will close for the summer on June 8 at noon and will reopen on August 9 at 9:00 a.m.



2017 Testing Scores Released

As you know, all students in grades K-8 have taken the MAP test three times this year. Students in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7 also took the CogAT test. Finally, all students in grades 1-7 took the IOWA Test of Basic Skills in March. We have received results from these tests, and would like to share our IOWA scores with you. Our grade-level percentile rank scores for the IOWA Tests are as follows:

Grade 1: 95 Grade 2: 96 Grade 3: 99 Grade 4: 93
Grade 5: 97 Grade 6: 95 Grade 7: 93

Individual score reports will be sent home with students' final report cards. Watch for information about the transition from IOWA tests to MAP tests in schools across the Diocese of Cleveland beginning in the 2017-2018 school year.

Congratulations to the following students who earned awards at the State Science Day on May 13: Superior— Celia Baranek, Lucy Chmura, Clara Hoffert, and Kate Krismanth; and Excellent—Cline Hearty, Clara Krohn, Daniel Monea, Nicole Reese, and Allison Swiatkowski.

Back-to-School Dates to Note: Join Us August 21, 23, 29, 30, and 31

- **Back-to-School Night will be held on August 21.**

KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES ONLY may visit from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. During this time, families may visit classrooms, meet teachers and classmates, drop off supplies, and play on the playground. We suggest that last names A-M visit classrooms from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. and last names N-Z visit classrooms from 5:15 to 6:00 p.m. to alleviate crowding.

NEW FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-8 ONLY may visit classrooms from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. to get a head start on exploring their new school, meeting teachers and dropping off supplies. **ALL FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-8** may visit classrooms from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. to meet teachers and classmates and drop off supplies.

ALL FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 8 may stop by the Multi-Purpose room between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. to visit our information tables and purchase Spirit Wear. Also featured from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. will be gym uniform sales in Horning Hall, and Recycled Uniforms drop-off and pick-up in the Science Lab. All Recycled Uniform items are free! **NEW!! Back-to-school forms previously available for pick-up during this time will be moving online! Please watch for more information in August!**

- **We will kick off the new school year at approximately 8:30 a.m. on August 23 with a gathering on Yahner Field.** (We will wait until all buses have arrived.) Please watch for details and plan to join us as we begin the year with prayer and friendship, and unveil our new theme.
- **Returning for 2017-2018 are our Curriculum Nights** for grades K-5 and grades 6-8. Parents of students in grades 6, 7 and 8 should plan to attend on August 29 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Parents of students in grades K-5 should plan to attend on August 30 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- **On August 31 at 9:00 a.m.**, Kindergarten parents will have an opportunity to meet each other and to sign up for classroom volunteer opportunities during classroom teas. **Please mark your calendar and watch for more information about all of these events in August!**