

# Saber Summaries

Principals' Office 2017-2018 Year-End Wrap-Up

## Fond Farewells and Warm Welcomes

### *Staffing, Grade Level Changes for 2018-2019 Re-Capped*

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

These departures, plus the division of our current two first grade classes into three, will lead to some changes in the fall. With the increase from two to three first grade classes, Miss DiPronio will join Mrs. Monea and Mrs. Morrocco on the first grade teaching team. Miss DiPronio is a dean's list graduate of the University of Dayton with dual licensure in early childhood education and early childhood intervention specialist. She has experience as a student teacher and a teaching assistant, and has worked with children with special needs in both classroom and home care settings.

Mrs. Kohrs and Mrs. Wenzlik will be the assistants in Miss DiPronio's room, Room 110.

There will be some changes in our junior high teaching staff, as well. Mr. Dougherty will join Mrs. Durkin and Mrs. Falhamer as an eighth grade homeroom teacher in Room 118. Mr. Dougherty has taught and coached in a variety of Catholic and public elementary, middle and high school settings, and also spent three years discerning religious vocation at Borromeo Seminary. A graduate of the University of Akron with a degree in middle level education, Mr. Dougherty will teach eighth grade math and seventh grade reading.

Mr. Gadus will join Mrs. Hoffmann and Mr. Sherry as a seventh grade homeroom teacher in Room 115. Mr. Gadus has teaching, student teaching and tutoring experience in Catholic, private and public school set-

tings. A president's list honors graduate of Cleveland State University with grades 7-12 licensure, Mr. Gadus will teach seventh grade English and eighth grade social studies.

Some changes will also be made to grade levels and subjects taught by our current teachers. Mrs. Hoffmann will teach seventh grade religion and sixth grade English. Mr. Seeman will teach sixth and seventh grade math. Miss Buzzi will teach sixth grade social studies, as well as the sixth grade science classes currently taught by Mr. Seeman. Mrs. Durkin, Mrs. Falhamer, Miss McMahon, and Mr. Sherry will continue to teach their existing subjects and grade levels.

Besides changes in our teaching staff, we will also have some changes in our counseling staff that will enable us to have a counselor on site

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### ***Don't Forget to Pay Balances Now***

Just a reminder that all 2017-2018 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 2018-2019 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.

### **2018-2019 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 several 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.

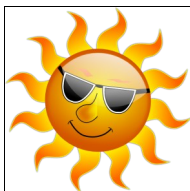
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every day. Mrs. Parisi, who has served as our school counselor for the past two years, will reduce her hours and work primarily with our younger students. Mrs. Eldred will join us part-time to work with our older students. Mrs. Eldred served as our school counselor several years ago, before taking time off to start her family. Now, with both of her young children at St. Hilary in the fall, we are thrilled to have her back!

We are also excited to welcome back school nurse Mrs. Yost, who will work part-time in the clinic with Mrs. Hammersmith.

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 2018-2019 Student Council officers: President - Giana Mutersbaugh, Vice-President - Brad Bisesi, Secretary Ben Thoman, and Treasurer - Jacob Kim. 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 grader Anthony Gore, the winner 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. Anthony's \$1,250 award will be applied to his 2018-2019 tuition.

## New Parent Leaders

Also new for 2018-2019 is our slate of parent leaders: Parents' Association President Jamie Malick, President-Elect Brittany Root, Vice-President Lauren Palumbo, Secretary Betsy Stangel, and Treasurer Chris Eldred, as well as School Board President Nicole Redle, Vice-President Brian Peterson, Secretary Dave Reese, and Members Badie Alnemr, Jill Gallagher, Randy Parsons, and Jim Wilson. Thank you to these individuals and all of our parent volunteers who do so much to support our school!

## Second Grader Tapped

Second grader Katie Ann Bickett became the fifth recipient of the Klenotic Scholarship in memory of our former second grade teacher, Mrs. Jane Klenotic. Katie Ann was chosen based on her steadfast faith, strong work ethic, leadership, positive outlook, sense of humor, and confidence in the face of adversity. Katie Ann's \$1,000 award will be applied to her 2018-2019 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 and ballots. 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 2018-2019 school year.

We are always looking for new ways to make our school even better, and have some improvements planned for the upcoming year.

We are eager to begin renovations to our playground this summer! Thanks to your generosity in raising and approving funds, our

existing playground surface will be replaced with a new rubberized surface that will help to keep our students safe as they play. We have removed the zip line to help minimize the risk of injury, will be replacing the slide, and will add several new pieces of equipment for the enjoyment of our students during recess. We can't wait to share our new playground with you in August!

Our career elective classes for grades 7 and 8 are also being revamped a bit. Introduced in the 2017-2018 school year, these classes quickly became favorites among our junior high students. For 2018-2019, elective classes will be offered three days a week, with the remaining two days being study halls. Classes will include advanced photography, AMPPEd authors, digital media, engineering, entrepreneurship/finance, fitness, future Catholic teachers, graphic design, health science, and robotics/coding.

As we transition from one school year to the

next, one final very exciting thing we want to share with you is the implementation of the Edmentum Exact Path program for grades 1-8. This program is designed to foster successful student outcomes across a range of learning needs and aptitude levels, and will help us strengthen our ability to provide differentiated learning experiences in the classroom. Edmentum provides a planned exact path for each student to follow in order to maximize academic proficiency and success. Families are being asked to begin using this program at home over the summer to help keep skills sharp and boost proficiencies as students move forward to the next grade level. Those who earn six Exact Path trophies over the summer will receive two dress down passes in August! Please watch for more information and Edmentum access codes to come home with your child's final report card on May 31.

We look forward to a great 2018-2019 school year!

# Eighth Graders Receive Scholarships and Awards

Congratulations to the following eighth grade students who received awards and scholarships at our eighth grade awards presentation:

**Archbishop Hoban Burke Family Scholarships:** Jackson Alexander, Maxwell Alexander and Rachel Alexander

**Archbishop Hoban Coudriet Family Scholarship:** Charlie Durkin

**Archbishop Hoban Daniel Dietzler Class of '68 Memorial Scholarships:** Maxwell Alexander, Rachel Alexander, Tobias Baranek, Reagan Jackson, Olivia Scott, and Steven Scott

**Archbishop Hoban Golden Knight Scholarship:** Juliana Parisi

**Archbishop Hoban Mildred Hunsicker & Stella Watkins Scholarship:** Jackson Alexander

**Archbishop Hoban Ralph & Florence Bernard Scholarship:** Olivia Scott

**Archbishop Hoban Fr. Dujarie Scholarship:** Olivia Scott

**Archbishop Hoban Zaha Family Scholarships:** Jackson Alexander, Maxwell Alexander and Rachel Alexander

**St. Vincent-St. Mary Irish Academic Scholarships:** Paul Slanina and Luke Werckman

**St. Vincent-St. Mary Irish Opportunity Scholarship:** Annie McCarron

**St. Vincent-St. Mary Freshman Marching Band Scholarship:** Annie McCarron

**St. Vincent-St. Mary Shamrock Cultural Charity Scholarship:** Annie McCarron

**Walsh Jesuit Pedro Arrupe Scholarships (top 5% in nation on HSPT):** Charlie Earley, David Fall, Kathleen Tracy, and Michael Whalen

**Walsh Jesuit Honorable Mention Awards (top 10% in nation on HSPT):** Alianna Huston and Caroline Richardson

**Spirit of St. Hilary Awards:** Mario Mondello and Maria Montisano

**St. Hilary Perfect Attendance Awards:** Maxwell Alexander, Rachel Alexander, Reagan Jackson, Ronetas Lubes, Juliana Parisi, and Lindsey Sipplen

**St. Hilary Principal's Awards:** Natalie Fisher, Clara Hoffert, Julia Martin, and Luke Werckman

**St. Hilary Christian Leadership Awards:** Anne McCarron and William Scherler

**St. Hilary Subject Area Awards:** Advanced Math—Olivia Scott, Algebra - Jackson Alexander, Art - Clarissa Snyder, Chinese - Bryan Flannery, French - Annie McCarron, History - Jack Mercer, Language Arts - Clara Hoffert, Music - Julia Martin, Physical Education -

William Scherler, Pre-Algebra - Mae Isada, Religion—Colleen Reagan, Science - Tobias Baranek, and Spanish - Luke Werckman

**St. Hilary Outstanding Achievement in Academics (First Honors in all 8 Quarters - 7th and 8th grade):** Jackson Alexander, Maxwell Alexander, Rachel Alexander, David Fall, Natalie Fisher, Grace Folden, Elise Hager, Clara Hoffert, Alianna Huston, Reagan Jackson, Juliana Parisi, and William Scherler

**St. Hilary Outstanding Achievement in Academics (First Honors in all 4 Quarters - 8th grade):** Jackson Alexander, Maxwell Alexander, Rachel Alexander, David Fall, Natalie Fisher, Grace Folden, Elise Hager, Clara Hoffert, Alianna Huston, Reagan Jackson, Nathan Ost, Juliana Parisi, Nathan Phillips, Colleen Reagan, William Scherler, Olivia Scott, Lindsey Sipplen, Paul Slanina, Clarissa Snyder, Kathleen Tracy, and Luke Werckman

**St. Hilary Service Awards: Future Catholic Teachers -** Rachel Alexander, Ella DiPaola, Alianna Huston, Reagan Jackson, Julia Martin, Annie McCarron, Maria Montisano, Giovanna Nestico, Juliana Parisi, Colleen Reagan, Caroline Richardson, Olivia Scott, Sydney Starkey, and Annalea Yarcheck

**St. Hilary Service Awards: Altar Servers -** Jackson Alexander, Maxwell Alexander, Rachel Alexander, Charlie Durkin, Elise Hager, Joseph Hohlefeld, Julia Martin, Brooke Massaro, Ben Mostoller, Juliana Parisi, Colleen Reagan, Will Scherler, Olivia Scott, Paul Slanina, Clarissa Snyder, Luke Werckman, and Annalea Yarcheck

**St. Hilary Mock Trial 8th Grade Awards -** Jacob Cook, Alianna Huston, Audrey Klippel, Samantha Klippel, Brooke Massaro, Jack Mercer, Ben Mostoller, Mark Nester, Caroline Richardson, David Soltz, Kathleen Tracy, and Michael Whalen

**St. Hilary Athletic Association \$500 Scholarships:** Olivia Scott and Steven Scott

**Dr. Joseph Congeni St. Hilary Athletic Association Athlete of Character Awards:** Rachel Alexander and Joseph Hohlefeld

**St. Hilary Athletic Association Athlete of the Year Awards:** Reese Downing and Mario Mondello

**St. Hilary Athletic Association Commissioner Awards:** Basketball - Bryan Flannery and Colleen Reagan; Cheerleading - Juliana Parisi; Cross Country - Reese Downing and Luke Werckman; Football - Greyson Manby; Soccer - Mario Mondello and Rachel Alexander; Volleyball - Samantha Pianalto; and Track & Field - Maria Montisano and William Scherler

## Congratulations to all of our eighth graders!

## New Dismissal Time Coming

Many of your children are dismissed as car riders at the 3:00 p.m. bell. Beginning in August, we will be pushing this bell back to 3:05 p.m. to allow for more/better utilized instructional time at the end of the day. This means that students will come out to the car line after the 3:05 p.m. bell rings. For those who pick up inside, the main doors will be opened at 2:55 p.m. and we ask that the main hallway be cleared by 3:15 p.m.

## Summer Skills Challenge

**Complete Summer Solutions Math Book,  
Read 5 Books and  
Complete 5 Book Report Forms  
-Or- Earn 6 Exact Path Trophies  
Earn 2 Dress Down Passes!**

**\*Put Name on All Work to Earn Credit!\***

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 will be sent home with students on the last day of school. Class supply lists were emailed in March, are posted on the school website and will also be available at local retailers in July. The school dress code was emailed in March and can be found on our website. There are no changes from the current dress code, but please carefully note prohibited apparel and accessories	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 7 at noon and will reopen on August 8 at 9:00 a.m.
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## 2018 Testing Scores Released

As you know, all students in grades K-8 have taken the MAP test three times this year, and individual score reports will be sent home with final report cards. The MAP test is the most widely used standardized test worldwide. The percentile rankings below show the degree to which our school scored in comparison to others across the nation who took the test. All students, regardless of ability or need, took the MAP test.

**Mathematics** — Kindergarten: 96, Grade 1: 97, Grade 2: 90, Grade 3: 93, Grade 4: 70, Grade 5: 73, Grade 6: 98, Grade 7: 92, and Grade 8: 93

**Reading** — Kindergarten: 96, Grade 1: 93, Grade 2: 88, Grade 3: 95, Grade 4: 91, Grade 5: 80, Grade 6: 96, Grade 7: 95, and Grade 8: 96

**Language Usage** — Grade 2: 90, Grade 3: 98, Grade 4: 95, Grade 5: 96, Grade 6: 97, Grade 7: 96, Grade 8: 97 (Grades K & 1 not tested)

## Back-to-School Dates to Note: Join Us August 20, 22, 28, 29, and 30

- **Back-to-School Night will be held on August 20.**

**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!

Back-to-school forms previously available for pick-up during this time have moved online! Watch for more information in August!

- **We will kick off the new school year at approximately 8:30 a.m. on August 22 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 2018-2019 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 28 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Parents of students in grades K-5 should plan to attend on August 29 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- **On August 30 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!**