

# Eagle's Nest News

## St. Joseph Catholic School

We are a Christ-centered community dedicated to empowering students to learn, serve, lead and succeed.



September 16, 2019

### ***School Hours:***

**Monday - Thursday**  
**7:50 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

**Friday**  
**7:50 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

***School Mass* every Friday at 8:15 A.M. followed by Adoration. Please join us!**

***Extended care* available at 6:30 every school morning and until 6:00 P.M. every school day**

### ***School Office Hours:***

**Monday - Thursday 7:30 - 3:30**  
**Friday 7:30 - 1:00**

***School Phone:* 747-3060**

**215 S. Craycroft Rd. Tucson 85711**

### ***School website:***

<https://saintjosephstucson.weebly.com/>

Dear St. Joseph Families,

Parent – teacher conferences are next week Sept. 25 and 26. A reminder that as a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher. You and your child's teacher have something in common: you both want your child to learn and do well.

### **Parent – Teacher Conferences**

Wed. Sept. 25 – Thurs. Sept. 26

We will have early dismissal (12:30) on these days. Friday is our usual 12:30 dismissal with Mass at 8:15. ESD will be available all of these days.

**PK** – Sign up outside the PK classroom

**GRADES K – 5** – Conferences are scheduled. Please be mindful that conferences last 10 minutes. If you would like additional time with your child's teacher, please schedule that with the teacher. Attached to this newsletter and available in the office are the forms to use to help the teachers (K-5) with scheduling. **Please return this form to the teacher of your oldest child by this Thursday** for scheduling purposes.

**GRADES 6 – 8** – Teachers will be in Healy Hall from 1:00 – 4 on Wed. and from 1:00 – 7 on Thursday. You do not need an appointment. You may pick up your child's progress report from their homeroom teacher in Healy Hall during these time frames and then meet with any of the teachers on a first come / first served basis. All conferences last 10 minutes. If you need additional time, please schedule that with the teacher.

**ENRICHMENT TEACHERS** – Please contact enrichment teachers to set up a time to meet with them if you would like.

I have a very open door policy! Please never hesitate to call, email, or come to my office. I have a strong commitment to Catholic education and the importance of Catholic schools. I am committed to creating a community of faith, compassion, respect, and collaboration.

Peace and joy,

**Mrs. Van Loan, Principal**

### Mark your calendar:

Thursday September 19th – School hot lunch – order forms due by Wed. at 3

Friday September 20th – Mass at 8:15 followed by Adoration - white Mass shirt

Saturday September 21 – Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner – watch for flyers to be sent home this week

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Wednesday September 25, Thursday September 26 – Parent / Teacher Conferences. Dismissal at 12:30. ESD will be available as usual. Friday September 27 – 8:15 Mass with dismissal at 12:30 as usual – white Mass shirt**

### Volunteer opportunities

All of these fulfill parent volunteer hours

- Parish office needs help on Sundays
- Lunchroom from 12 – 1
- St. Vincent de Paul – 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on Fridays at 12:30. Parents and students one Sat. per month.
- Día de los Muertos altar – contact Mrs. Landry to help

### ESD

If you send your child to ESD on Fridays / early out days please be sure to send them with a lunch if they will be staying for the afternoon. We have many children in ESD on Fridays with no lunch. We are able to provide them with snacks but there is no lunch provided. THANK YOU!



### STEM LAB UPDATE

If you would like to donate a bookshelf to the library in honor or memory of someone, please contact us or stop in to the office. There are various sizes and prices.

Please collect **Box Tops** for Education and send them in with your child

We are collecting **pop tabs** for Ronald McDonald House. Last year our school was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the city of Tucson for our pop tab collection!

ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE,  
TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH.  
-HELEN KELLER

If you think your teacher is tough, wait until you get a boss.

Bill Gates

### Tips for Parents on Parent-Teacher Conferences

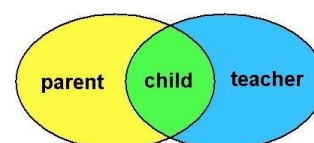
The first on the list: **Show up, please!** We know parents are busy, but it is important to carve out time to invest in your child's education and ensure success at school. To get the most out of parent-teacher conferences, parents need to take an active role in their child's education year-round and come prepared to discuss how their child can reach their full potential.

**Get Ready.** Do your homework prior to parent-teacher conferences. Prepare by writing notes to yourself concerning: Any questions about the school's programs or policies. Things you can share with the teacher about your child and his life at home. Questions about your child's progress.

**Ask Important Questions.** Don't be afraid to engage in a frank conversation with your child's teacher. Your goal is to develop an action plan for your child's success at school. Good questions to ask the teacher include: What are my child's strengths and weaknesses? How does my child get along with classmates? Is my child working up to her ability? Where could she use improvement? What can we do at home to support what you are doing in the classroom?

**Initiate the Action Plan.** Start immediately on the action plan you and the teacher put together. Discuss the plan with your child and track his progress. Stay in touch with your child's teacher throughout the year and keep the communication lines open.

When teachers and parents work together, we can help a child have a successful school year.



Parent Teacher conference sign up – grades K – 5

**Please return to the teacher of your oldest child no later than Thursday Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>**

Family last name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Grade levels of your students: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle your preference for parent teacher conference date and time. Teachers will do their best to honor your request. **Keep in mind that you are not selecting a specific conference time. Your child's teacher(s) will confirm your date and time with you.** If the form is not returned, teachers will schedule your conference time based on their availability.

Wednesday Sept. 25    1:00 – 2:00    2:00 – 3:00    3:00 – 4:00

Thursday Sept. 26    1:00 – 2:00    2:00 – 3:00    3:00 – 4:00    4:00 – 5:00    5:00 – 6:00    6:00 – 7:00

If these times are not convenient, please contact your child's teacher directly to set up a conference.