

Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!

St♥ Rocco School A Roman Catholic School JUNE 14, 2023 THURSDAY PACKET

Weekly Parent Notes



Dear Parents,

While this is the last day of school, it will not be our last communication with you. Today we are hoping to provide both closure to this school year and some August/September dates to keep in mind for the start of next school year. Please mark the date of our school fundraising "Colorthon" event on your calendar now. On October 29th, we will once again come out as an entire school community for an afternoon of fun and activities to raise funds for our school. This will be our biggest fundraiser of the year. We are looking for 100% participation from all our school families. Please see the letter from the Parent Association.

Happenings this week...

Our 8th Grade class graduated with a beautiful Mass on Monday night. Special thanks to Fr. Carusi, Deacon Troia, Miss Tripp, Mrs. Okolowitcz, Mrs. Rachdouni and Mrs. Rodi for their combined efforts to make this a special night for our graduates.

Several of our classes "moved up a grade" to meet next year's teacher and to get a sense of what it will be like when they return in September.

Grades PreK 3, PreK 4 and Kindergarten had graduation ceremonies in Café Rocco yesterday celebrated with family and friends. The teachers (Miss Piccolino, Mrs. Tavares and Miss Califano) along with their Teacher Assistants (Miss Charlene, Miss Doreen, Miss Kathy, and Sr. Donna) did such an amazing job showcasing the progress their students made this year. Each program was beautifully unique and special to the class. There are definitely a lot of future stars coming out of our Early Childhood classes!

Special thanks...

To our 8th Grade Parents for their very generous gifts to the Middle School teachers and staff. To all the parents who contributed to the class gifts for the teachers, itinerants and staff, your generosity is so appreciated by our faculty and staff.

Of note...

We are still accepting Cross Country registrations for the fall for grades 4-8. We do not yet have enough students to enter both a boys' and girls' team for this fall in the Catholic Athletic League. If your child is interested, we would love to have them on the team. The team will practice once or twice a week at school and participate in 6 meets. The season begins September 6th and ends October 11th. All meets are on Wednesdays at Roger Williams Park 4:30, 5:00 or 5:30pm. Registration packets can be picked up and dropped off in the school office for the next two weeks.

Save the dates...

St. Rocco Parish Feast (August 17th-20th) and Church Mass, August 20th at 11:00 am with the procession immediately following. All students and family members are invited to attend (students in school uniform) and process along with the St. Rocco Parish Community after the mass.

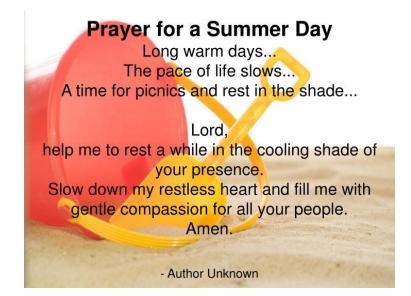
Finally, I would like to wish all our fathers, grandfathers and godfathers a blessed Fathers' Day. As Catholics, we look to St. Joseph as the example for all fathers to follow. St. Joseph was an ordinary man who led an extraordinary life...ever

Faithful, a steady protector and a good man. God does not ask us to be more than we can be, but rather, asks us to live up to the potential He has given us This weekend let us all look to those men in our lives who walk each day humbly and consistently are good men.

Wishing all our St. Rocco families a very blessed summer!

Respectfully,

Regina M. Hand





Thank you to the parents and students who have given gifts to the faculty and staff. This kind gesture was appreciated by all

Advisory Board News

There was a Commissioning Ceremony this past Sunday at the12:00pm Mass for members of the new St. Rocco School Advisory Board. We are grateful to them for their commitment of service to the school community. The Advisory Board members are:

Fr. Angelo Carusi Ms. Regina M. Hand Mrs. Marcia Montecalvo Mr. Richard Desroisers Mrs. Cindy Bucci – Chairperson Mr. David Mitchell – Vice Chairperson Mrs. Susanna Carlino - Secretary Mrs. Lillian McIntyre Mr. Alfred Monaco Chief Mark Viera Mr. Joseph Lembo

Congratulations to Our Graduates this Week!

2023 Eighth Grade Students

Teacher – Miss Samantha Tripp

Jolie Caparco Sophia Caparco Alexander Diaz Negron Giana DiMaio Gerson Garcia Kate Gorgievski Miranda Hutchinson Brianna Moosey Talia Moosey Adrian Perez Josianny Santana Robert Segama Sydnee Walsh-Cirelli Brendan White





PreK 3

Teacher ~ Ms. Adrianna PIccolino **Teacher Assistant** ~Sister Donna Beauregard

Ryan Bell, Jr. Carmela Broccoli Millie Campopiano. Gianni Croce Reagan Daudelin Celina DiNobile Isabella Donahue Madison Freeman Tony Habchi Olivia Loffredo Lucas Morel Alaia Nazario Alonso Paulino Moral Francesca Petroski Isla Piverger Karthika Sagi Grace Sosa Gianluca Taskin Jacob Turrisi





Prek 4

Teacher ~ Mrs. Brenda Tavares

Teacher Assistants ~ Mrs. Doreen Merola & Mrs. Kathleen Pollastro

Marley Baynes Christopher Bianco Jayden Boivin Nora Brookman Giuliana DonFrancesco Bronson Dupuis Ronald Enright Lylah Habchi Giselle Jenkins-Guilmette Conor Lape Charleston Libby

Elliana Loffredo Aaradhya Pantra Marcos Rachdouni Sienna Riccio Luca Rocchio Sophia Santilli Lillyana Thompson Dominic Turchetta Marco Vieira Christopher Wleh Isabella Zampini

Kindergarten

Teacher ~ Ms. Kristina Califano **Teacher Assistant** – Ms. Charlene Ferreira

Fiona Campopiano Julian Clark Ava D'Ambra Zoe Dupuis Salem Fascia Ariana Hernandez Nicholas Joutras William Little Kaleb Medeiros Phoebe Morel Victoria Pelaez Mejia Nicholas Peno Isabella Rotolo Averianna Schroff Victoria Semedo Noah Sgambato Abbigail Vannie Hannah-Marie Wleh



FEINSTEIN JR. SCHOLARS –SUMMER ACTIVITY

Rock Spot Rock Climbing

Reminder: Feinstein Jr. Scholar card holders receive one free day pass, with gear, at any <u>Rock Spot Rock</u> <u>Climbing</u> location! No advanced ticket reservation necessary.

Indoor rock climbing for all ages, all abilities! <u>Rock Spot</u> has seven locations throughout Southern New England!

* Jr. Scholar Cards may not be used to pay for large groups (5+) or any service that includes staff (i.e. birthday parties, camp groups, belay classes, etc.)



2023-2024 School Year Important Dates



- August 20th Annual St. Rocco Feast Mass and Procession 11am
- August 23^{rd -} 8th Grade Bonding Day 9:00 3:00
- August 29th PreK3, PreK4 and K Orientation 8:30 9:30.
- August 30th Grades 5-8 1st day of school
- August 31st Grades K-4 First Day of School/First Day PK3 and PK4 (Half of the Class/Details to Follow)
- September 1st Grades K-8 Full Day of School -First Day PK3and PK4 (Half of the Class/Details to Follow)
- September 20th Back to School Night Gr. 1-8
- October 29th Color-A-Thon



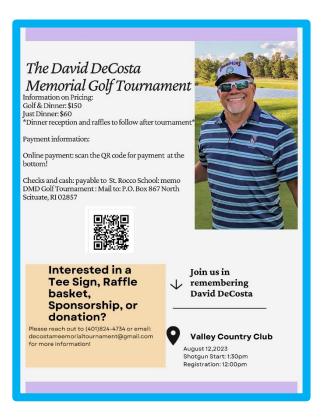
- The school office will be open the following dates and times:
- June 15th June 30th from 8:00am -3:00pm.
- July 3rd 14th closed for vacation. Resuming Summer hours on July 18th
- Summer hours: Tues., Wed. and Thurs. from 8:30am-12:30pm (Beginning July 18TH)
- August 15th 25th from 8:00am -3:00pm.

Please send an email or leave a brief message with your name, number and someone will get back to you! If you need immediate assistance you may call the Rectory at 401.942-5203

David DeCosta Memorial Golf Tournament

Mr. DeCosta was a short-term Art sub for us last Spring, but he left a lasting impact on St. Rocco's students and staff. He was to return as our Art teacher in the Fall, unfortunately, he was diagnosed with glioblastoma and passed away six weeks later.

We will always remember his infectious smile and winning attitude. His family is donating the proceeds of this tournament to St. Rocco School. Please consider enjoying a day of golf in remembrance of Mr. DeCosta. If you would like to donate monetarily or for raffle prizes, please contact the school at 944-2993.



Virtue of the Month - Kindness

Be kind be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. Ephesians 4:32

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