

# Principal's Monthly Letter

June, 2016

**Dear Parents,**

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you. Thank you to our School Advisory Board, Family School Association, Athletic Committee, Fun Lunch Team, Men's Club, and Women's Club for all the wonderful work you do for our students and our school. Thank you also to Father Frank, Father Phillip, the faculty and staff, the parish staff and most of all the students and their families. Your support and encouragement has been most appreciated!

Saying goodbye makes me very sad. So I am saying farewell instead. Before I take leave I want to say thank you to each and every one of you. Thank you for your love, your kindness, your wisdom, your support and your courage these past ten years. You made each day very special for me.

To the parents, I want to say thank you for entrusting me each day with your most precious gifts – your children. I always did my best to keep them safe and secure. Thank you for always being supportive when I needed your support. It made each day run smoothly and safely. Thank you for asking my advice on pressing issues or concerns. You made me feel like a friend. Thank you for encouraging me to pursue my dreams. You made me realize that it was still alright for me to dream even though I am an adult, sometimes I forgot that.

To the students, I want to say thank you. To the “morning people” who greeted me each day with a friendly “hello” and the “non-morning people” who greeted by with a nod or a wave, thank you for greeting me. You made me feel happy each day. Thank you for the special waves in the hallways, the “special” conversations we shared and sharing your dreams with me. You made me feel very special. Because you are all so special to me, I want to leave you with some advice. I want to borrow the words from St. Paul to say, “Don't let people put you down because of your youth.” Be proud of who you are, and what you can accomplish. You are all very gifted young people. Always be the best that you can be and don't settle for anything less. Hold fast to all of your dreams. These dreams will allow you to search out your gifts and talents. Once you find them use them to the best of your ability. Let the world know who you are – wonderful, gifted children of God. Always know that life will provide you with many roads to travel. Know that no matter what road you go down God will always walk that road with you, because you are so special. Thank you all for the wonderful memories you have given me these past ten years. It has truly been an honor and a privilege to be such an integral part of the lives of the students and families of St. Cajetan School. I will miss you all!

## **To our eighth graders**

Congratulations to our eighth graders who graduated Tuesday, May 31. Most have been together, and an integral part of St. Cajetan School, for the past nine years. We wish them well as they venture out and continue their educational journey. Best of Luck!

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards**

The eighth grade students received their awards at a ceremony on Friday, May 27. The Class of 2016 received over \$45,000.00 in scholarship money. That is spectacular!

The Spirit of Saint Cajetan Award was given to: Meara Haggerty and Kiley Sullivan

The Kevin Kennelly Award was given to: Ian Kerrigan and Charlie Scanlan

Private Bank Award was given to: Emily Weber and Danny Winstead

Awards were given from the following High Schools- Marist, St. Rita, Mount Carmel, Brother Rice and Mother McAuley.

Thank you to the eighth grade parents for organizing the eighth grade graduation dance.

Thank you to the seventh grade parents for organizing the eighth grade ribbon breakfast and the reception following graduation.

Thanks to Mrs. Ann Woulfe for organizing our “Dine Out Nights”. We earned \$3500.00. We will be purchasing more iPads with this money. Thanks to all families who participated in the “Dine Out Nights.”

## **Calendar for 2016-2017 school year**

At the end of this newsletter is the calendar for the next school year. The sacramental dates have not been scheduled for next year. They will be on the calendar in the handbook.

### **Fees and Tuition**

Attached to this newsletter is a copy of our fees for the next school year. These fees will be sent to Smart Tuition to add to your bill. Also attached to this letter is a letter from Father Frank regarding tuition for next school year. This information will also be sent to Smart Tuition for your bill. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

### **Little Einsteins**

The students in grades K – 3 had a Little Einsteins competition on May 18. The competition was held in Memorial Hall at 1:30. The winner was Eileen Connolly (gr. 3).

### **Science Bee**

The students in grades 4 -8 participated in a Science Bee on Friday, May 13. The following are the winners:  
1<sup>st</sup> Place – Ben Weber- grade 6; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Grace Rowan – grade 7 and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Owen Schickel – grade 5.  
Congratulations to all!

### **Spelling Bee**

On May 11, students in grades 4-8 participated in a Spelling Bee. The final winners were:  
1<sup>st</sup> place winner was Liam Kelly- grade 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> place was Grace Niego- grade 8, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place was Caroline Geraghty – grade 4. Congratulations to all!

### **Summer Incentives**

This summer we are again presenting a challenge to all of our students. Each grade level will be given a list of Math and Reading Incentives to work on over the summer break. When the students return to school in August, they will present to their teachers the work they did with the Summer Reading and Math Incentives. These presentations may be in the form of a book report, a report and completion of Mathletics points, and must be given to the teacher the first day of school. Every student who presents this completed material to their teacher will participate in a “fun activity”. The incentives will also be posted on the school website.

### **Summer Office Hours**

The school office will be open Monday- Thursday, 8:00 a.m. -2:30 p.m. until June 15. Beginning Monday, August 1, the office hours will be Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon until Monday, August 17, at which time the hours will be 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

### **Summer TRIP hours**

**Starting June 16 and through August 13, TRIP will be sold in the Parish Center.** The hours are as follows:  
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.; Thursday – 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.  
TRIP will return to school in August.

### **Switch Day**

On Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, we will have a **Switch Day**. The students move to the next grade level to meet their new teachers for the 2016-2017 school year. The teachers introduce themselves and share what life will be like in their new grade level.

Moms and Dads, encourage your children to read each day and to work on their Mathletics.  
Students, remember to tell your parents each day how much you love them and give them a big hug.

I wish all of you a very happy and safe summer!

Farewell to everyone!  
Mrs. Reger