

# St. Augustine School 2015-2016

*“Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life.”*

*Proverbs 4:13*

July 27, 2015

Dear Parents:

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer fun with family and friends. Although we still have several vacation days ahead, planning for the 2015 – 2016 school year has begun. We hope the following information will be useful while you plan your academic calendars and mark off the dates of our fundraising events. As always, the continued support you show the children, and St. Augustine School, is enormously appreciated.

We would like to warmly welcome new families to our school. We are hoping that St. Augustine School will become for you and your children a "second home". If you have any questions about our school or fundraising events, please do not hesitate to contact the Home and School Board at: [homeschool@staugustine.org](mailto:homeschool@staugustine.org). Please check online for our New Parent Survival Guide <http://www.staugustineschool.org/SurvivalGuide.pdf>.

This year, the Home & School Association consists of eleven board members who meet on a monthly basis, with Sister Mary Elizabeth and Mrs. Debbie Fessman, to implement fundraising events and ideas to benefit the children of St. Augustine School. We use the funds raised to enhance their learning environment. If a parent wishes to attend a Home and School meeting, please contact a current board member for our meeting schedule. The first hour of the meeting is open to parents who wish to contribute ideas. The session is then closed and becomes a working meeting.

Every day at Saint Augustine School we count on help from our parents. Again this year we will be utilizing our One and Done recess duty program to supplement teacher coverage during the three recess periods. Each month will be covered by a specific grade and parents will have the opportunity to sign up to cover one slot during the month. More details will follow monthly from our Volunteer Coordinator, Nora Joyce.

Our annual volunteer sheet is enclosed. Please review the events and see if there is an opportunity for you to help out. Again, information on volunteering for our specific fundraisers will be sent under separate cover by our Volunteer Coordinator, Nora Joyce.

A full financial accounting will be provided at **Back to School Night on September 17, 2015 at 7:30pm**. Our fundraising efforts this past year were extremely successful with monies raised allowing the entire school to go wireless, the purchase of Google Chrome tablets for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students and many other school improvements such as classroom security locks and updates to the Cafeteria. Additionally, fundraising provides money for assemblies and enrichment programs, teacher seminars, student dances, Family Nights, recess equipment, Sunshine Fund, classroom supplies and our petting zoo.

The School Gym, Cafeteria, and Library are open to use by our student groups, such as scouts and CYO sports teams. If you wish to reserve rooms for an event please contact Rachel Decker through the front office with a note or e-mail: [rekced2642@aol.com](mailto:rekced2642@aol.com). Please do not assume that the days or dates you have had in the past will be carried over to this school year. Due to many conflicts in the past you must have your time slot confirmed.

Attached you will find a Supply List by grade for your shopping convenience. If you took part in the Pack to School Supply ordering, you will only have to purchase items that are sold solely by SAS. Please note this list has been updated so please look for changes. It is also available on our website at: [www.staugustineschool.org](http://www.staugustineschool.org). **Please note: Book Socks are not allowed for any grades. They cause damage to the spine of the books.**

### **ST. AUGUSTINE HOME AND SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS 2015-16**

**Presidents:** Jennifer Iwai/Tammy  
Alves/Renee Milano  
**Vice Presidents:** Michele Hulea/Julia  
Fitzpatrick  
**Treasurers:** Rosemary Byrnes/Susan  
DeMino

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Nora Joyce  
**Recording Secretary:** Rosanna Hennessy  
**Calendar Secretary:** Rachel Decker  
**James Wilson:** Special Projects and  
Shopping Certificates

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- A **Used Uniform and School Supply Sale** will be held **Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2pm**. Used uniforms are sold at very low prices. If your child has outgrown their uniforms, please bring them into school to be sold. Only uniforms in very **good condition** will be accepted.
- **AHARTZ Pack-to-School** packs will be distributed Wednesday September 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 4:30-7pm. Should you not be able to pick up your child's pack, it will be delivered to their classroom. You are still responsible to purchase items provided by SAS.
- **Tuition Raffle** (tickets provided in this mailer)-One year of paid school tuition for the oldest child. We will sell a minimum amount of tickets for this raffle. **The winner will be drawn at Back to School Night.**
- **Walk-a-thon 2015** will be held on **Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of 10/16**. The entire school participates in this fun day of exercise. Each child must get a permission slip signed and pledge at least \$15.00 to participate in the walk-a-thon.
- **Christmas Craft Fair & Book Fair – Saturday, December 5th, 2015.** Over 75 craft vendors participate in this event. It is also home to our famous Bake Goods Sale.
- **Ladies' Night Out – Friday, May 20st, 2015.** This event is a fun – filled evening for the women of our St. Augustine community and their friends. LNO is the most successful fundraiser of the school year! There are various raffles, including local goods and services and numerous theme baskets. The evening also includes a silent auction. A new and exciting theme will be announced in the New Year.
- **Enjoy the remainder of summer! See you September!**