



# St. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A U.S. Department of Education  
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May 6, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

“Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God...” (1 John 4:7)

From writings of Pope Benedict XVI:

*Inner agreement with God belongs to the happy life. Only if this fundamental relationship is right can all the other relationships be right. For that reason it is important throughout one's life and from one's youth onwards to learn and to practice thinking with God, feeling with God, willing with God, so that love may grow from this and become the keynote of our life.*

Break into song and sing praise,  
Ms. Danielle Gonzalez

**THIS WEEK:** TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK!!!

## **NWEA**

If a student tests in the 95th Percentile or higher and they are not already in Kaleidoscope, they can be invited to take the Kaleidoscope exam. A letter with more information will be sent out at a later date.

Tuesday, May 7

- NWEA Testing - Grade 6-8 Day 1 (Math)

Wednesday, May 8

- School Nurse Day! (Thank you Nurse Tricia and Nurse Elizabeth for taking care of the students!)
- NWEA Testing - Grades 1-5 Day 1 (Math)
- NJHS Homework Club after school for grades 2 & 3

Thursday, May 9

- NWEA Testing - Grades 6-8 Day 2 (Reading)

Friday, May 10

- NWEA Testing - Grades 1-5 Day 2 (Reading)

## **NEXT WEEK: BOOK FAIR**

Monday, May 13

- 9:00 AM NWEA Testing (Math) - Kindergarten
- Grade 1-3 Field Trip

Tuesday, May 14

- 9:00 AM NWEA Testing (Reading) - Kindergarten
- NJHS members will be attending the Diocesan May Crowning.
- 7:00 PM HSA General Meeting for parents

Wednesday, May 15

- NJHS Homework Club after school for grades 2 & 3

Thursday, May 16

- Perfect Time Music Concerts in the auditorium
  - 7:00 PM Grades 1-3
  - 8:00 PM Grades 4-8

Friday, May 17

- \$1 Tag Day for all students, teachers, & staff.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Congratulations once again to the cast and crew of *Willy Wonka Jr.* The two shows were a great success! Thank you for your hard work and dedication.

## **REMINDERS:**

### **NWEA**

Spring NWEA testing in Reading and Mathematics for Grades 1-8 starts May 7, 2024.

MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth.

MAP Growth tests are unique and adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's knowledge. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of where your child is on their learning journey— regardless of whether they are on, above, or below their grade level.

Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores in similar skills and topics and then plan instruction accordingly.

We are truly excited to focus on your child's individual growth and achievement. For more information about MAP Growth, visit [NWEA.org/familytoolkit](https://www.nwea.org/familytoolkit).

### **END of Year Calendar**

To date, two Emergency Days were used to close school. Pending there are no more Emergency Days needed, the last day of school with the students will be Monday, June 17, 2024.

- **Monday, June 10th through Wednesday, June 12th will be full days of school.**
- **Thursday, June 13, 2024: Half Day with Aftercare (LAST day of Aftercare.)**
- **Friday, June 14, 2024: Half Day with NO Aftercare**
- **Monday, June 17, 2024: Half Day with NO Aftercare**

### **SUMMER Opportunities for the Children**

- MHC Camp - Open House April 14, 2024 from 12:00 - 2:00 PM
  - For students that are going into Pre-K 4 through going into 8th grade
  - Dates of Camp: June 24-July 26, 2024

[www.maryhelp.org/camp/](http://www.maryhelp.org/camp/)

Flyer:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Q3MYxDw2Eh0jr151kaMpXO7iPAXaGITk/view?usp=sharing>

- Don Bosco Prep Summer Theater
  - For students currently in Grade 6-8
  - Dates of Camp: June 24-28, 2024
  - To register, visit: <https://forms.gle/q5N8igPVqhDMbfRJ8>
  - More Information: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Lx1qA3i5gZioBQVoQCqZSYL3Z9e\\_pmDP/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Lx1qA3i5gZioBQVoQCqZSYL3Z9e_pmDP/view?usp=sharing)
- St. Philip Parish Vacation Bible School (VBS)
  - We invite Children in Kindergarten through Fifth grade.
  - July 29 - August 2
  - 8:30 AM to Noon
  - Songs, skits, snacks, games, crafts, logo t-shirt
  - Registration begins May 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Students - want 30 Community Service Hours? Sign up to be Junior Leaders!