

THE WOLFPACK WORD

Redemptorist St. Gerard School, Est. 1945



IMPORTANT DATES

September 3 :
Labor Day Holiday—NO SCHOOL

September 10-28:
ACT Aspire Testing

September 14:
Progress Reports—view via
Headmaster

September 21:
Scholar Block Party

September 28:
LEAP Assembly
Spirit Dress Day (\$2)

September 4 – October 5:
Fall Fundraiser

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2018

*“Cultivating Scholars with Pride and
Passion”*

School Year in Full Swing

The 18-19 school year is moving forward. Students have completed their first month of school. Transportation issues have been resolved. Teachers and students have routines down for their classes. Most importantly, we are excited for what is to come during this school year. We kick off many things this month: our Fall Fundraiser, ACT Aspire Testing, grades/Progress Reports, Club activities, Athletics, and many more exciting activities! Please check out the calendar and follow us on Facebook or check out our website for continuous updates throughout the month.

Teachers in PreK-5th grade are providing you with monthly calendars and newsletters to let you know what is going on in their classrooms. Please do not hesitate to contact them if you have questions; you can Dojo them, email them, or leave a message for them with the school office.

As we continue to move forward in the school year, let us pray that our students can continue a path of success:

O Lord God,
School is not always easy,
And some days, it is very difficult,
and I struggle to relax
and be at peace.
Yet I know that you will give me
patience, wisdom, and courage,
to be excellent in every way,
and you will help me love others,
as you love me. Amen

I hope your child has a wonderful school year!

Blessings,

Aimee Wiles, Principal



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IMPORTANT EVENTS AT RSG THIS MONTH:

Fall Fundraiser Giveaway

Our fundraisers have begun! In order to cover the cost of some needed improvements and school costs, we have several fundraisers throughout the school year. As stated in our Parent-Student Handbook, *Redemptorist embraces fundraising activities to generate at least 15% of the total operating budget. School parents are expected to participate in these fundraising activities to the best of their ability through monetary donations, purchases and volunteer hours.* Our current fundraiser is to sell tickets for our Fall Fundraiser. Prizes are as follows: 1st place—2 tickets to NO Saints vs. Atlanta Falcons game; 2nd place--\$100; 3rd place--\$25. Every family is asked to participate. Families are required to try and sell two books of tickets (5 tickets per book, tickets are \$5 each). For each book that is sold, families receive 1 service hour (remember, you must complete 20 service hours by the end of the school year). **All parents are required to pick up the tickets from school by August 14, 2018**; if you do not wish to participate in the fundraiser, that is fine, but you will be charged \$50 fee. The tickets need to be returned by Oct. 5, 2018; tickets and money can be returned to school—either by your child (mark in an envelope “Fall Fundraiser” with your child’s name) or by you personally bringing it to school. If you would like to sell more than two books, you are welcome to do so; please let the office know and stop by to pick up the books of tickets.

Students who sell the most will receive the following prizes: Top seller—Laptop; 2nd place seller—Blue Bayou/Dixie Landings pass; 3rd place seller--\$25 gift card. Students who sell their 2 books will be allowed a free dress day in October.

This fundraiser will help to pay for improvements in the school. In particular, we just had to replace our phone and intercom system which cost nearly \$10,000. This fundraiser will help to cover that cost. That is why we need all of your help and support for this fundraiser. Please help us in raising money to help pay for our much needed school improvements.

Progress Reports

Progress Reports will be available online on Friday, Sept. 14th. A reminder stating how to view the report on Headmaster will be sent home on Friday, Sept. 14th. If you have any questions or difficulties in accessing Headmaster, please contact Ms. Oliver (roliver@resbr.org).

#3655strives

School Office Hours are Monday through Friday, 7:00am-3:00pm

ACT Aspire Testing

During the month of September, we will begin our first round of ACT Aspire testing. ACT Aspire is a standardized test that is taken throughout the nation and throughout our diocese by students in 3rd-8th grade. Students will take 3 tests for ACT Aspire throughout the year. More information will be given to you about testing throughout the year. Testing begins on Sept. 11 and ends on Sept. 28th. Please make sure your children are here on time each day in order to take their test.

Spirit Gear and Spirit Days

The last Friday of each month is our Spirit Day, where students can show their RSG pride and wear school t-shirts. We have our Spirit Gear Shop online on our website, or we have forms in the school office. Students are allowed to wear a spirit t-shirt, jeans, and tennis shoes on Spirit Day for \$2; if you purchase the t-shirt through our Spirit Gear Shop, the student can wear their spirit wear for free.

Parent Contact Information

Please make sure that your contact information is always up-to-date. It is important that we can get in touch with you in case of emergencies. If you have not returned the pink parent contact sheet, you need to return that to the office ASAP.

REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

Sweatshirt Order Forms

Our first order for sweatshirts are in. Please note that we do have Youth XS size for the little ones; if you would like to see the different sizes, stop by our school office. The order form is located on our webpage (at the bottom of our homepage); payment is due with the returned order form. We normally place an order every 2 weeks, which would have the sweatshirt returned to you in a month. Get your sweatshirts before the cold weather comes!

Parent-Student Handbook Online

The RSG Parent-Student Handbook is located online at www.rsgbr.org. All parents should read over the handbook. The signed acknowledgement form must be returned to the school; if your child received an extra form, the office needs that form back ASAP.

In addition, all fees must be paid in order for students to participate in extra-curriculars as stated in the handbook. Invoices for the

Pre-K4:
Wanda Moore
Yolanda Williams

Kindergarten:
Amy Brown
Elaine Soileau

1st Grade:
Chantel Terrell
Lolita Duperon

2nd Grade:
Lakisha Collins

3rd Grade:
Jowava Thompson

4th – 5th Grade:
Ashley Nivens (Math)
Delores McClay (ELA)
Renetta Glover (4th
Science & Social Studies)
Vonetta Harris (5th
Science)
Keisha Fleming (5th Social
Studies)

6th-8th Grade:
Lisa East (Math)
Catherel Barber (ELA)

Religion:
Lori Gregory
Art:
Jonovan Duvold
PE:
Brittany Percell
Library/Computer:
Pamela Gauthier

instructional fee were sent out the second week of September. Please make sure you take care of that fee in order for your child to attend field trips, play sports, etc.

Parent Service Hours

Parents are required to complete 20 service hours for the 2018-2019 school year. According to our handbook:

*Redemptorist parents Pre-K thru 8th grade are expected to be active and involved. We have a special service hour binder in the office that parents must sign to receive credit. **NO credit will be received if parents do not sign in the office. Parents (or grandparents or older siblings) are asked to give 20 hours of service to the school each year.** The remaining hours can be fulfilled in other ways. The Home and School Association will offer service hour opportunities as well that can begin as early as July 5, 2018, to count toward the current school year. Other service hour opportunities include fundraising, andscaping, painting, cleaning, maintenance, tutoring, helping on field trips/activities, substituting, working athletic events, and donating paper (1 ream of paper = 2 service hours). **Service providers should fill the binder in the office to document their volunteerism.***

Pre-K4 -8th grade parents who do not complete ALL 20 volunteer hours by May 1st will be assessed a \$100.00 fee. The service hour fee is based on hours of work not performed or not reported.

We have several opportunities throughout the school year. Our first opportunity is through the Fall Fundraiser. Upcoming opportunities for service hours will be stated each month in the WolfPack Word.

If you would like to give reams of paper as your service hours (1 ream of paper = 2 service hours), please bring the paper to the office and fill out the appropriate form with the school secretary.

School Updates—Check out our website!

Please check our website for updated information. Our website can be accessed at www.rsgbr.org. Important information can be found there, such as:

- School calendar (located under “Calendar” tab)
- Parent/Student Handbook (located at the bottom of our school homepage)
- September Events calendar

Please also visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/redemptoriststgerard which will have a feed of events and happenings at the school. Please “Like” the page to follow us. More info to come about our twitter page #3655strives!