



# FAMILY NEWSLETTER

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## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> is a minimum day. School begins at 8:00am and dismisses at 11:45. Please note that the remainder of the week will be a full day schedule. Extended Care will be available beginning August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Extended Care is available for K-8 until 5:30pm. Students are to be in uniform the first day of school. They should also have their school supplies and emergency bag. For your convenience, the supply list is posted on the school website. Our first School Mass will be Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup>. Students are to wear Mass attire. Parents/family members are always welcome and encouraged to join us for Mass.



### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! I pray that you all had a relaxing and memorable summer. We have had a busy summer at the school. Our Summer School program is still in progress with over 50 students served in our 2 sessions. We have also been actively working on maintenance projects and strengthening our academic program. The school office has been bustling with new enrollments and getting everything prepared to welcome our students on August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Our theme for this school year is "Let Your Light Shine Before Others" Matthew 5:16. We will use this theme to guide many of our activities this year. We hope that all our school families will embrace this message and find ways to "be light" to all. Thank you for your commitment to Catholic education and all that you do to support St. Adelaide Academy. I welcome and value your positive energy and dedication to excellence in education. If you have resources that would help our school, please let me know.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

August 13<sup>th</sup> - Beautification Day  
8am-12pm  
August 16<sup>th</sup> - Uniforms delivered  
August 17<sup>th</sup> - New Parent Orientation @ 6pm  
August 18<sup>th</sup> - Student Council Retreat  
August 22<sup>nd</sup> - First Day of School  
August 25<sup>th</sup> - Mountain Mike's Fundraiser  
August 26<sup>th</sup> - School Mass @ 8:15  
August 28<sup>th</sup> - Sunday School Mass @ 9am



## 2022-2023 School Theme





# OUR STAFF

We begin the school year with some new staff as well as familiar faces in new positions. Our new school secretary is Ms. Courtney Hernandez. Mrs. Colleen Ballejos will be serving as our school bookkeeper. We welcome Sr. LaKeshia Church as our 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. Coach Leo will be our 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and Middle School math teacher. We are also happy to have Mrs. Isabel Hernandez as our 7<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and Middle School science teacher. We also welcome our new Maintenance,

Mr. Vincent Le and Mrs. Kayenta George as our new PE teacher and Extended Care Director. Please help them feel welcome!

Returning this year are:

*PS - Mrs. Maria Hernandez  
TK - Mrs. Karla Saenz & Mrs. Valerie Padilla  
K - Mrs. Josie Gallegos & Mrs. Rose Torres  
1<sup>st</sup> - Mrs. Teashia Lopez  
2<sup>nd</sup> - Ms. Laura Hall  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs. Heather Guereca  
5<sup>th</sup> - Mr. Jay Husfloen  
8<sup>th</sup> - Mr. Frank Beltran  
Custodian - Mrs. Rose Acosta*

## PARENT PARTICIPATION

Each school family is required to give 30 hours of service to the school. There are a number of ways to fulfill the obligation. Please fill out the form enclosed in this packet to let us know what ways you can help. A minimum of 5 hours must come from helping with our annual carnival.

If you would like more information about ways you can help, please call the school office. Parents will be charged \$20/hour each trimester for hours not served. A detailed list of Parent Participation opportunities as well as how to log in hours is on our school website. All hours must be logged in on Gradelink or in the binder in the office.



## BEAUTIFICATION DAY

Please join us on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 8am-12pm to help get our school ready for our students. We will focus on painting the classroom doors, freshening up the School Hall and filling holes in the blacktop. If we have plenty of help, we may paint picnic tables and work on landscaping. All who work that day will earn **DOUBLE PARENT HOURS!**



One of the needs that was noted in our Parent and Staff surveys was the desire to beautify our campus. We think this would be a great opportunity to involve our school families and enhance the family atmosphere of our school community. In order to make this happen, we need you! We have come up with two projects that we would like your family to work on during the summer and bring to school during the first week.



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The first project is a **Family Mural**. We would like each family to create a family "portrait" on an 8 x 10 canvas. You can paint, draw, collage... be creative. We will hang these in our School Hall.

The second project is a **School Family Rock Garden**. We would like each family to paint a large rock (6" to 12" in diameter) to represent your family. Please include your family's last name as well as the first names of your family members. Please be creative in how you design your rock. The type of paint that works best is acrylic paint. Any words can be painted or written with a permanent marker. Please seal your rock with acrylic seal, so that it withstands the elements. If you would also like to paint smaller rocks with inspirational words, please feel free to contribute those to our rock garden.

We hope you can take this time as a family to work on these projects and have your family represented in our Family Rock Garden and Mural Wall. Have fun!

## FAMILY ART PROJECTS

### NEW PARENT ORIENTATION

Our New Parent Orientation will be on Wednesday, August 17 @ 6pm in the School Hall. All parents that are new this year or last year are welcome to attend. We will begin with a general session followed by an

opportunity for you to meet with the PS, TK, or K teachers in their classrooms. Our School Board will also be available to answer questions and set you up with your mentor. Please join us!



### SECURITY/SAFETY UPDATE

Safety of our students is a major focus. We have successfully completed some areas of security. All school doors locks have been changed to automatic locks. Thank you to our donors! In addition, we are in the process of upgrading our pass-through gate. All staff will be recertified for CPR and First Aid as well as a retraining of Active Shooters.



## DROP OFF & PICK UP PROCEDURE

All cars must enter from the Church Avenue south gate in by the grass field, following through to the south parking lot. Students should exit cars by the traffic cones. Make a U-turn to exit the parking lot. Continue on the road behind the church and exit onto Baseline. Students may also be dropped off at the north gate. **Students may not be dropped off in front of the church or other unsupervised areas, including the parking lot.** Parents who are parking and walking their student into the school grounds may only park in designated parking spots. There is ample parking in the south parking lot. Preschool parents will park in the spaces to the left of the Blessed Mother statue and sign your child in at the preschool classroom. Teachers will not be available for conferences unless prearranged. **All cars must be off school grounds by 8:00 a.m. School gates will be closed and locked at that time.** **Students dropped off between 7:15 - 7:45 a.m. must report to Extended Care by the north benches. NO STUDENT MAY BE DROPPED OFF BEFORE 7:15 a.m.** At dismissal, parents must park in the north or south parking lots and then proceed to your child's classroom. Students will be released once the parent is at the door. All students not picked up by 3p.m must go to Extended Care.

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## SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Our school uniforms can be purchased online at <http://stadelaide.studentstore.net>. Students must wear the school PE uniform on their PE days. All students are expected to be in school uniform for the first day of school. Uniform shirts, ties, jackets, and sweaters must have the school logo. All students need to have proper Mass attire uniforms for our first school Mass on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Students will only be allowed to wear cardigans with Mass attire on Fridays.



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## PARENT TEACHER GROUP



Do you like planning social and fundraising events? You are the right person for our PTG. Members of this group will also be liaisons between the teachers and parents. All Room Parents are part of the PTG. We will meet monthly to plan. If you would like to be a Room Parent or part of the PTG Leadership Team, please indicate that on your Parent Participation form.

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Let us begin this school year grounded in the mission of St. Adelaide Catholic Academy:  
*Saint Adelaide Catholic Academy fosters personal academic success and spiritual self-awareness in each student. We are dedicated to building a Christ-centered community that promotes respect, diversity, and dignity. Our mission is to provide students with the specific skills they need to be successful Catholic stewards, scholars, and leaders.*

## Lunch Orders

A September lunch menu will be sent through Remind when it becomes available from the SBCUSD.  
Hot lunch will not be offered in August.



## Parent Handbook

Handbooks will go home on the first day of school.  
Please sign the acknowledgement and return the following day.

## Carnival

Save the Date! Our Carnival is back! We will have our Carnival on October 8th and 9th.  
We have already begun planning but would love to have more involved in the organization.  
All families must work a minimum of 5 hours for this event.  
Please indicate how your family would like to help on the form in this packet.



## Health Screening

This must be done at home and students should not come to school if ill. Students should be free of symptoms for 24 hours before returning to school. Thanks to all who are keeping students at home in an effort to keep everyone healthy. If your child or anyone in your household has tested positive for Covid, please let Mrs. Malouf know immediately. We also need to know if your child has been exposed to someone who has Covid.



## ITEMS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE SCHOOL ON THE FIRST WEEK

- School supplies (lists are on the website)
- Lunch orders for September
- Family Projects - mural and rock
- Parent Participation form
- Carnival Volunteer form
- Emergency card
- Earthquake Bag
- Parent Handbook Acknowledgement

