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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to St. Patrick's for the 2022-23 school year! We are excited to have you as part of the St. Patrick's family.

This year, our Division theme is Inspired by ***Christ on Journey to Encounter, Nurture and Serve.*** This means that we want to reconnect our students and families with the parish. We invite you to celebrate mass with us at either Sacred Heart or St. Mary's Parish. We want to celebrate the diversity of our students and have St. Patrick's be a welcoming and inclusive community for all.

Here is some information about our first opening days.

School Opening

- The school office will be open to the public on August 4th starting at 8 am.

Meet the Teacher

- We will have **Meet the Teacher on August 9th from 4-6.** This is a come and go format with no formal program. Please come and meet your child's teacher and drop off your child's school supplies.

Staggered Entry

- Based on parent feedback, we will have a staggered start this year. This allows teachers to build community with their students in a smaller group and it allows students to familiarize themselves with a smaller group of peers.

First Day of School

August 8 and 9 - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Wednesday, August 10th: Last Names A-K

Thursday, August 11th: Last Name L-Z

Friday, August 12th: All students attend

Start time: 8:25 am

End time: 3:09 pm

School Council

- We are excited to renew School Council's presence at St. Patrick's. School council is also known as the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC).
- School Council depends on volunteers to help run events, like Family Fun Night, Dances, and Field Trips. Let Mandy Reed, Interim Principal, know if you would like to volunteer.

School Supplies

St. Patrick's Community School is excited to offer you the opportunity to purchase your school supplies through School Start for the 2022-2023 school year.

Purchasing supplies through School Start is optional, you can also choose to purchase them at any store.

[Click here for a list of school supplies by grade or visit our website.](#)

Here is to a great 2022-23 School Year.

Sincerely,

Mandy Reed

Lord Jesus, we ask for Your help as we begin this new school year. Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us. Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open our hearts and minds to new friends and new teachers. Give us a generous spirit to be enthusiastic and courage to accept new opportunities. Help us to be attentive and let us experience Your presence in each new day. Jesus, inspire us to do our very best this year! Amen.