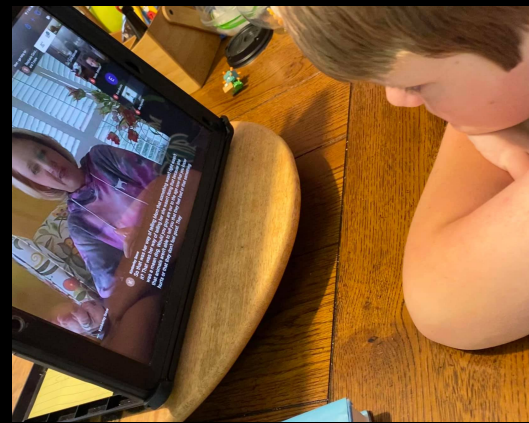


Welcome Back Newsletter



2020-2021 School Year



First Day of School

is...



August 24th!



Please remember that all tuition payments will be collected through the FACTS system. **Please contact Mrs. Mary Jane Coble with any questions.**

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Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year!

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! Although the reopening will look different than usual, we are very excited to welcome our students back **five days a week**. We have spent much of our summer planning and preparing for the students return in the safest way possible. **A document outlining all of our procedures and protocol for all areas of school life was emailed to parents and is available on our website.** All items outlined in the document are based on best practices known at this time. **As things change and evolve, the document will be revised and resent to parents.**

Virtual Townhall

This year our Back to School Open House will be online. Information specific for each teacher's class will be available in their Google Classroom. Administration will host Zoom sessions for different age levels to answer questions regarding reopening and to interact on a more personal level. Zoom links will be emailed closer to the date of the sessions. All sessions will be recorded and a link will be available for viewing in case you are unable to attend the scheduled time. If you have more than one child, it is not necessary to attend all sessions.

- Pre-K-** Thursday, August 13 5pm
- K-2nd-** Friday, August 14 5pm
- 3rd-5th-** Monday, August 17 5pm
- Middle School-** Tuesday, August 18 5pm

FACTS SIS

We will continue to use SIS for student data records and as our main communication portal.

Communication to parents, grade book, report cards, lunch orders, and attendance will be done using SIS.

Supply Lists



Due to COVID-19 we are asking for parents to provide individual supplies for students. This allows students to not have to share supplies and have their own for home and school use. **A list of necessary supplies are attached to this newsletter and available on our website.** We appreciate your support in keeping our students healthy!

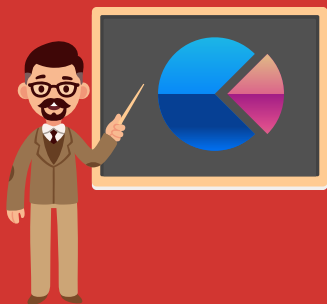
Summer Enrichment

The end of the school year was different from any other school year and we adjusted from our traditional summer requirements. A link was sent to parents offering summer enrichment activities for students of all grade levels and can be found [here](#).

Virtus Sessions

Virtus is a very important part of our Safe Environment. It is a class required by all volunteers to teach adults how to identify unsafe adults and how to protect our students from these unsafe adults. This year the class will be offered in an online platform. Information on how to register will be available at the start of school.

All volunteers must register and participate in a session before signing up for field trips, cafeteria help, etc.



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New Faculty and Staff

We are very excited to welcome several new staff members to our Sacred Heart family!

Mrs. Beth Brown is returning to Sacred Heart after a few years in the public sector and will teach first grade. She is an experienced primary teacher and we are very excited and fortunate to welcome her back.

Ms. Alyssa Gable will take on the role as our second grade teacher. Ms. Gable graduated from Lynchburg College in the spring and we look forward to the new ideas and strategies she will bring to the table.

Mrs. Jaclyn Phillips is also joining us this year and will be teaching third grade. Mrs. Phillips comes to us from Epiphany where she has experience teaching many grades levels, with her most recent in a 2/3 combination class.

Mrs. Courtney Nicholas will join the Middle School Team. Mrs. Nicholas is an award winning teacher joining us from Danville Public Schools. She is an active parishioner in the church and a busy mother of three. We are excited to have her join the team.

We have a few other staff additions and changes for the upcoming year. COVID has made it difficult to offer a Early Learner (PK-3) class for the 2020-2021 school year. We see this as a temporary change for the 2020-2021 school year. For the current school year **Mrs. Jessica Hall will move up to be the Junior Kindergarten (PK-4) teacher.** Mrs. Donna Comper will be the assistant in the Junior Kindergarten classroom.

Mrs. Anglea Milam will take on a new role as our Health Safety Coordinator. Mrs. Milam's experience in the medical field makes her a perfect fit for this necessary role.

Ms. Rae Yao Lee will take on the role as the Social and Emotional Coordinator for students. We recognize the need for emotional support for students as they return to school. Ms. Lee has experience and training as a Therapeutic Mentor and will be able to offer support to students. She is not a licensed therapist, but can offer support when/if a student needs extra emotional support.

Mr. Rusty Lovell will take on the role as Afterschool Coordinator. Afterschool and playdate will be offered to registered students starting the second week of school.

Please have your application filled out and sent/dropped off at school by August 10th

Cafeteria News

Changes for the cafeteria can be found in the COVID reopening document.

Cafeteria Volunteers

Please contact Pat Haley at phaley@sheartschool.com if you would like to assist in the cafeteria this school year. Volunteers will be very limited and must be screened prior to coming into the building. Please remember you will have to take a VIRTUS class in order to volunteer during the school day or school activities.



School and Home Connection

We decided to try something new and have converted PTO Into a School and Home Connection Program! **More information is attached to this newsletter.**

**LANDS'
END**
let's get comfy™

We have established a partnership with **Lands' End** for all of our uniform needs. There is a direct link [here](#). Our school code is **900043373**.

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Uniform Policy

Sacred Heart School maintains a uniform dress code and all students (K-8th) are expected to adhere to all of the policies regarding this code. The administration seeks parental support in the adherence to the school's dress code. **Please refer to the parent handbook throughout the year for any clarifications of the uniform dress code.**

The only change we foresee for 2020-2021 school year is the need to have masks at school. This is the official wording regarding masks from the Diocese of Richmond:

1. Teachers, all staff members, and visitors are to wear face mask coverings when they are not able to maintain a 6ft. distance in classrooms or when in communal spaces such as offices, hallways, restrooms, school Masses, etc.
2. Face mask coverings are to be worn by students in grades 4-12 when they are at a distance of less than 6ft. in the classrooms or in communal spaces such as hallways, restrooms, school Masses, etc.
3. Face mask coverings may be more difficult for our younger students in PK through 3rd grade but they should all have masks with them and will be encouraged to wear them when they are at a distance of less than 6ft. in the classrooms and in communal spaces such as hallways, restrooms, school Masses, etc.

As stated above, please refer to our Parent Handbook for uniform dress code. Here are the basics for uniform shopping and getting your student ready for the first day of school:



- Solid white or black sport socks



- Tennis shoes or hard-soled solid colored shoes (no clogs, boots, or sandals)



- White *collared* shirts-middle school students may wear hunter green



- Black shorts or pants- **NO jeans**

- **Girls K-4th:** Black **skorts**, pants, shorts, or plaid jumpers; **NO Skirts** (black or plaid are not permitted at this age level)



- **Girls 5th-8th:** may wear **plaid skirts** instead of jumpers- skirt length is "top of the knee" - **Black skirts are not allowed**



- Shorts under all skirts and jumpers

- Black or brown belts if needed



- Solid red or black sweatshirts with SHCS



- logo or solid red or black sweaters



Sacred Heart Catholic School 2020-2021

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August	
17-21	Teacher Workdays
21	Opening Event (Time and Location TBA)
24	First Day of School
September	
7	Labor Day Holiday
25	Interims
October	
1	Grandparent's Day
12	Teacher Workday
23	First Quarter Ends/12:30 Dismissal (Professional Development Day)
24	Fall Fundraising Event
26-30	Book Fair Week
30	Report Cards
November	
2	Parent Teacher Conference (2:00-7:00 PM) 12:30 student dismissal
3	Parent Teacher Conference (No School)
20	Interims
25-27	Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)
December	
10	Fine Arts Event
14-18	Exam Week
18	12:30 Dismissal
21– Jan 3	Christmas Break
January	
4	Classes Resume
15	Second Quarter Ends/12:30 Dismissal (Professional Development Day)
18	Martin Luther King Holiday (No School)
22	Report Cards
25–29	Catholic Schools' Week
February	
10	12:30 Dismissal (Professional Development Day)
15	President's Day Holiday
19	Interims
22	Parent Teacher Conference (No School)
March	
1-3	Science Fair
TBA	School's Auction
16-17	Accreditation Visit
19	Third Quarter Ends/ 12:30 Dismissal (Professional Development Day)
22	Full Professional Development Day– No School
26	Report Cards
April	
1	Holy Thursday/ 12:30 Dismissal
2-11	Easter Break
30	Interims
May	
TBA	Golf Tournament
13	Fine Arts Evening 7:00 PM
21	Field Day (Rain Date May 28)
24-28	Exam Week
31	Memorial Day Holiday
June	
4	Last Day of School/ Fourth Quarter Ends/ 12:30 Dismissal
4	PK4 Graduation
4	8th Grade Graduation
12:30 Professional Development Days	
Teacher Conference Days	
Teacher Workdays	
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***Scantron Testing Dates:**
Fall– September 8– October 2
Winter– January 4–Feb 12
Spring– May 3– June 4

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Play Date Program Application

School Year _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Check the Appropriate Space

3 days: _____

5 days: _____

Father's Name: _____ Mother's Name _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

Work #: _____ Work #: _____

Home #: _____ Home #: _____

Cell #: _____ Cell #: _____

List in priority someone to contact if your child is sick or hurt and a parent or guardian cannot be contacted.

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Allergies of Health Problems

List: _____

Medications: _____

I understand the monthly charge for Play Date is \$265 for months September through May and agree to pay this amount. I also agree to abide by the Late Pick Up Policy of \$3 per minute if picked up after 5:30 pm

Parent Signature

Date

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

The **Afterschool** program operates from 3:15 pm to 5:30 pm on all full days of school. If a parent or person responsible for pick-up arrives after 5:30, they will be charged \$3.00 for each minute they are late. An unforeseen emergency situation will be taken into account.

The children will have homework time, snack time and will play outside, weather permitting. Please send a snack and drink for your child each day. Children are expected to work quietly on their homework during homework time. If your child does not have homework that day, they may color, draw or read during this time. You may send a coloring book or a book for them to read in case they have no homework.

The **Play Date** program operates from 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm on all full days of school. If a parent or person responsible for pick-up arrives after 5:30, they will be charged \$3.00 for each minute they are late. An unforeseen emergency situation will be taken into account.

The afterschool and play date payments will be payable to Sacred Heart School in 9 installments with the first payment being due Sept. 1st. The preferred method of payment is by bank draft. Please submit a voided check for this purpose.

AFTER SCHOOL *and* PLAY DATE PAYMENT SCHEDULE

<u>Payment</u>	<u>Date Due</u>
1	September 1
2	October 1
3	November 1
4	December 1
5	January 1
6	February 1
7	March 1
8	April 1
9	May 1

2020 – 2021 **AFTERSCHOOL RATES**

FULL TIME

(5 days/week)

9 payments of \$200.00 (Sept. – May)

PART TIME

(3 days/week)

9 payments of \$170.00 (Sept. – May)

PART TIME

(2 days/week)

9 payments of \$145.00 (Sept. – May)

DROP IN RATE

\$25.00/day

PLAY DATE RATES

\$265 per month (Sept. – May)

LATE CHARGES

(applies to both After School *and* Play Date)

(For those picked up after 5:30)

\$3.00 for each minute after 5:30

July 27, 2020

Dear Sacred Heart Catholic School Families;

We hope that you are all well and staying safe! We have missed having the opportunities to mingle as a community. We want you to know that we have been hard at work putting together a new format for our parent teacher organization which we hope will help with communication, getting to know one another better, and working to grow our Sacred Heart Catholic School community for our students' benefit.

The first big change is our name! The former SHCS P.T.O. will now be the "SHCS School & Home Connection". The board will consist of Core Leadership and also Class Coordinators, in addition to the community at large. The Class Coordinators will work closely with homeroom teachers to create a private Facebook page for your child's class (teachers will be the admins on the accounts), keep everyone up to date on school happenings, and keep you involved as we begin a new year! The Class Coordinators will work in conjunction with the SHCS School & Home Connection Core Leadership to recruit folks for our various fundraisers. We have so many opportunities for involvement here at SHCS. It's what makes us a "family"!

You will be hearing from your Class Coordinator sometime soon as our plans unfold for our fall activities! If you have any great fundraising ideas, please send them to the "Core Leadership Team" at [**shcsconnection@sheartschool.com**](mailto:shcsconnection@sheartschool.com).

We look forward to reconnecting with everyone in the upcoming school year. It is going to look different this year, but we will definitely be CONNECTED! 😊

Most sincerely,

SHCS School & Home Connection Core Leadership

Kira Kania
Melissa Motley
Donna Waymouth

Angela Milam
Sara Gauldin

Jonathan Stoddard
Teresa Hale



Junior Kindergarten

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Elmer's Glue Stick (jumbo size)
- 1 box Crayola Markers (**Fat**-10 count-classic colors)
- 1 box Crayola colored pencils (12 count)
- Scissors - Fiskars
- 1 plastic pencil box
- 1 coloring book
- Headphones (in a Ziploc bag)
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)

Kindergarten

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Elmer's Glue Stick (Jumbo size)
- 1 pink block eraser
- 1 box Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 box Crayola colored pencils (12 count)
- 1 plastic pencil box
- Scissors
- Headphones (in a Ziploc bag)
- Nap mat
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)



First Grade

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Elmer's Glue Sticks (jumbo size)
- 1 Elmer's regular glue (small bottle)
- 1 pink eraser
- 1 pencil sharpener with waste container
- 1 box Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 box Crayola colored pencils (12 count)
- 1 box Crayola markers (fine line-10 count)
- Scissors
- 1 coloring book
- Headphones or earbuds (no wireless) in a Ziploc bag
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)

Second Grade

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Elmer's Glue Stick (Jumbo size)
- 1 bottle Elmer's regular glue (small)
- #2 pencil (2 sharpened)
- 1 pink eraser
- 1 pencil sharpener with waste container
- 1 box Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 box Crayola colored pencils (12 count)
- 1 box Crayola colored markers (fine line-10 count)
- 1 plastic pencil box
- Scissors
- Headphones or earbuds (no wireless) in a Ziploc bag
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)



Third Grade

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Elmer's glue stick (jumbo size)
- #2 pencil (2 sharpened)
- 1 pencil sharpener with waste container
- 1 pink pencil eraser
- 1 box Crayola colored markers (10 count-fine line)
- 1 box Crayola colored pencils
- 1 box Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 plastic pencil box
- Headphones or earbuds (no wireless) in Ziploc bag
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)

Fourth Grade

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Glue Stick (jumbo size)
- # 2 Pencils (2 sharpened)
- 1 pencil sharpener with waste container
- 1 pink pencil eraser
- 1 box Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 pencil pouch (zipped pouch) NO plastic box please
- Headphones or earbuds (no wireless) in a Ziploc bag
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)

Fifth Grade

School Supplies: Please label the supplies with your student's first and last name

- 1 Elmer's glue stick (jumbo size)
- #2 pencil (2 sharpened)
- 1 pink pencil eraser
- 1 pencil sharpener with waste container
- 1 box Crayola crayons (24 count)
- 1 pencil pouch (zipped pouch) NO plastic box please
- Headphones or earbuds (no wireless) in a Ziploc bag
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)



Middle School

School Supplies

- 1 Elmer's glue stick
- Clear tape (small roll)
- # 2 pencil
- eraser
- 1 box colored pencils
- Pencil sharpener with waste container
- Pencil box or zipped pouch
- Scissors
- 2" binder
- Plastic dividers (2 packs of 5)
- Headphones or earbuds (no wireless)
- 1 Chromebook soft sleeve/cover (*Chromebook is 12in x 8½in*)