

BEAR FACTS

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Happenings This Week!



Dr. Kathleen Kiley

Welcome back to school! We are so happy to have the children back on campus after a quiet summer. We hope to enhance communication with our families by hosting periodic *Coffee with the Principal* gatherings. Our first one will be held on September 12th. More details to follow.

August 15th was the Feast of the Assumption. Following is a prayer to the Blessed Lady that I used to say to my children when they were young, to our blessed Mother:

*Lovely lady dressed in blue,
Teach me how to pray!
God was just your little boy,
Tell me what to say!
Did you lift Him up, sometimes,
Gently, on your knee?
Did you sing to Him the way Mother does to me?
Did you hold His hand at night?
Did you ever try telling stories of the world?
Oh! And did He cry?
Do you really think He cares if I tell Him things –
little things that happen?
Do the Angels' wings make noise?
And can He hear me if I speak low?
Does He understand me now?
Tell me – for you now?
Lovely Lady dressed in blue,
Teach me how to pray!
God was just your little boy. And you know the way.*
Dr. Kathleen Kiley

Back to School Night

Back to School Night for 1st – 5th Grade is on Tuesday, August 22, at 6:00 pm. The evening will begin in the Social Hall at 6:00 pm before proceeding to the classrooms.

Lunch Program

Lunch forms are due by Thursday at Noon for the following week. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Hiss: chiss@allsoulscatholic-school.org.

Carpooling

We have a new family that lives in Katy's Landing (213 Porchester Drive). If you are able to help out with carpooling, please email Dr. Kiley and she will put you in touch with the family. kkiley@allsoulscatholicschool.org

Parent / Student Handbooks

The 2017-18 Parent/Student Handbooks and the Diocese of Orlando/Office of Schools Student Technology Responsible Use Policy for the 2017-18 school year have been put on our website at: www.allsoulscatholicschool.org, under the "Parents/Alumni" tab. If you have not done so already, please send in the signed signature page by Friday, August 25.

School Pictures

School Pictures for Grades K – 8 will be on Thursday, August 24. All students should be in full dress uniform for individual and class group pictures for Grades K – 8. To purchase photos online, please go to: www.shop.legacystudios.com, and the Online Pre-Pay Code is 5029F18C. Order forms will be sent home with students by Friday. Online ordering is available now.

Bricks 4 Kidz

Now enrolling! After a full day of learning comes one of those rare activities that makes math, technology and science come to life in a fun and meaningful way. The hands-on curriculum reinforces S.T.E.M. based on principles using LEGO Bricks®.

The cost is \$65 for 6 classes. Session 1: 8/23, 8/30, 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27. To register, go to www.bricks4kidz.com/sanford; scroll down and click on "View Classes" near the top of the page. Find "Bricks 4 Kidz – All Souls – Fall", click on "Select" and "Enroll Now" and follow the screen instructions. Fliers will be going home this Friday.

Soccer Registration

Registration for grades 1st – 5th ends August 30, 2017. The season begins on September 10th and ends October 29th. Click the link to register: <http://leagueathletics.com/Registration/Default.asp?org=CYSORLAN-DO>. If you have any questions, please contact Nick Baggio: nickbaggio23@gmail.com.

Classroom Fund

With the intention of making life simpler for you and the homeroom parents, teacher gifts will now be included in the "Classroom Fund" this year. The Classroom Fund for each grade will support class parties (4 for Elementary, 2 for Middle), birthday gifts for teacher and assistant, Christmas and end of the year gifts for teacher, assistant and 6 specials teachers. (Gifts for Teacher Appreciation week are not included since they vary by class.) A donation of \$45 per student is suggested. If you did not receive a "Classroom Fund" form, please contact Christina Kalisz; stinaqueen@aol.com.

If you have any questions regarding the Classroom Fund, please email Dr. Kiley at: kkiley@allsoulsatholicschool.org.

From The Desk of Mrs. Godinho Welcome New Families!

I know I can count on our newly established Home & School Association to reach out and

support new families just settling in at All Souls Catholic School. If you did not have a chance to attend our Ice cream Social, please stop by this week to pick up your new family packet. We know that moving to a new school can provide challenges for both children and parents – and we are here to ensure a smooth transition!

Raffle

We have officially kicked off our first fundraiser of the year! Letters were sent home last week. Tickets are \$5 and an easy way to raise funds for our school. Don't forget that raffle tickets qualify as a procurement/donation for fundraising families. Family and friends that purchase a raffle ticket will have an opportunity to win cash prizes. The students will have many opportunities to win prizes for their efforts. Parents – please join us in the courtyard this Friday as we award our prizes for the first week of raffle sales.

\$5 PER TICKET

**1 – \$1,000 WINNER 1 – \$200 WINNER
1 – \$500 WINNER 3 – \$100 WINNERS**

Don't Have To Be Present To Win!

We Need Volunteers

We need parent volunteers to help sell raffle tickets at All Souls Catholic Church (Located on 46). This is an opportunity to earn hours. Tickets will be sold for the following weekends – August 19th & 20th and August 26th & 27th. If you are available to volunteer, please contact Karen Adam: mrskarenadam@gmail.com.

Save The Date!

Our Dinner Gala will take place on April 21, 2018 at the Preservation Hall in Sanford. Additional details will be forthcoming. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly – 407.322.7090 or cell: 407.376.9724; sgodinho@allsoulsatholicschool.org

Early Dismissal Due To Solar Eclipse



All schools in our Diocese will close at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, August 21st. On August 21st, All Souls Catholic School will provide regularly scheduled lunches and aftercare beginning at 12:30 p.m. All outdoor activities will be suspended between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. Please let us know if you will not be picking up your students at 12:30 p.m. so we can schedule after-school care personnel.

For your information:

- ☀️ The risk to eye exposure is significant during a total solar eclipse;
- ☀️ Children should be reminded that they should not look directly at the sun as this can cause serious damage to their eyes or even blindness;
- ☀️ Proper eye protection, like eclipse glasses or a sun filter, is the only safe option (there are many fraudulent glasses out there that will not work). Sunglasses do not adequately protect the eyes from a solar eclipse.

Below is a link to NASA's website filled with information and educational resources that will be helpful to our parents, teachers and staff.

<https://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/>

Thank you for your patience and understanding.