

Christ the King 2019-2020 Back to School Information

New staff and new families...

We look forward to seeing our new and returning families and staff. Everyone is important and welcome at Christ the King School. Please contact us at any time if you have questions or need assistance 605-338-5103. The start of school is a busy and exciting time. We are committed to your child's success, comfort, and joy in attending school.

New staff: Maggie Johnson (6th grade), Imalay Rivera (3 year olds), Bonnie Nygaard (After School Care), Alex Robey (Art), Fr. Jordan Samson Parish and School Priest

New Students: Noah Baldwin (2nd), Gus Berens (5th), Gregory Berens (1st), Isabel Berens (Preschool), Magdalen Berens (2), Elijah Boever (K), Elise Buffington (Preschool), Oliver Christensen (Preschool), Adeline Cromie (Preschool), Elijah Croushore (K), Adriana Cruz (Preschool), Maria Dennison (Preschool), Harper Dorman (Preschool), Ever Eide (Preschool), Mila Ekeren (Preschool), Avery Elder (Preschool), Charlotte English (Preschool), Atticus Faini (K), Billy Gaikowski (K), William Hance, (6th), Analiyah Hansen (1st), Brody Hansen (2nd), Liam Hayes (Preschool), Aidah Kalifa (Preschool), Noah Kalifa (1st), Alexis Mitchell (Preschool), Henrik and Ingrid Moberg (Preschool), Ruby Noguchi (Preschool), Jones Norgaard (Preschool), Helen Petree (K), Tommy Pribyl (Preschool), Kaiden Sherwood (5th), Layla Stoesser (Preschool), Ben Thorson (2nd), Enrique Weatherford (3rd), Fabian Weatherford (5th), Salvador Weatherford (1st), Chloe-Lauren Whitaker (6th) Basil Wetzel (6th)

New Families Orientation August 13th 6:00 pm Christ the King School gym. The Back to School Picnic August 14th can be a little overwhelming and you may not get the opportunity to ask questions. If you are not able to attend it is ok we hope to see you on the 14th at the Back to School Picnic.

Parent Representatives- Aleta Lindell (grades PS-3rd) 605-338-3630 and Lisa Jorgenson (4th-6th grade) 605-254-3100 are in place to answer any questions our new families might have. This connection provides the new family an additional contact for questions and to help for clarification.

Welcome Back Picnic and Open House August 14th

- 6:00 Dinner in the Gym
- 6:00-6:30 SFO Presentation and Staff introductions
- 6:30-7:00 Students and parents go to meet teachers and see the classrooms

August 19th and 20th

The first day of school we will gather on the lower playground at 7:55am and gather in the gym for a rosary. The first two days are half days with dismissal at 11:30am

Picture Day

September 4th (for all grades) and September 5th (any students who may have been absent or Preschool students who attend on Thursday but not on Wednesday).

Walk-a-Thon September

This is the biggest fundraiser at CKS. The funds collected allow the SFO to do the events for the school throughout the year.

A packet of information is sent home at the end of August or the beginning of September with all of the information. It can be overwhelming-call if you have any questions. Students take pledges for the Walk-a Thon. They turn in their packets each week (money is only turned in the last week) and two students per class earn a prize.

Each classroom has a set goal, if they meet it each week, then the class gets to participate in the special activity that week. There are also individual goals. Bringing in certain amounts of money (designated in the packet) can earn them a spot for the parties (Bingo/PJ, Bowling and the Mystery Prize Party). The student that brings in the most money gets to be the "Principal for a Day".

The actual event is Saturday morning **September 21st**. We meet at the CKS gym for a light breakfast and prayer, walk a few miles at Edison Middle School track and return to the gym for more food. If you cannot come the day of the event, you can still collect donations and just walk the number of miles at a different time.

Drop-Off (before school)

Students are to be dropped off at the playground entrance (on West Avenue, off of 26th Street) between 7:40-7:55am. Please do not drop students off prior to that time because there will be no supervision. If you need to drop students off earlier, you will need to sign up for Before School Care

Pick-Up (after school)

The school bell rings at 3:00pm. Please make arrangements with your child(ren) regarding which side of the school you will be picking them up. Students should be picked up no later than 3:15 pm. After 3:15 students will be swept to After School Care and a fee will be enforced.

Cancellation, late Starts and Emergency Closings

Cancellations (Typically due to snow accumulation or wind-chill) of the school must be authorized by the Bishop O'Gorman Catholic Schools President. Closing announcements on radio and television and SchoolMessenger notifications will in most cases be made by 6:00am on the day of such closing.

In the event of a **late start**, SchoolMessenger will be activated and the media will usually be notified prior to 6:00am for public release. **A one-hour late start** moves all normal school start procedures back by one hour from regular start time. All PK through 6th grade classes, as well as afternoon preschool classes, then resume a normal school day schedule and dismiss at the regular time. **A two-hour late start** delays the start of school by two hours and cancels morning preschool classes; however, students registered in the Preschool all day programs may report to school two hours late and finish the school day. Afternoon preschool classes will run at normal times and are not affected by the late start.

Should school be closed after students arrive, parents will be notified by SchoolMessenger and media. After School Care will also be cancelled. Students will be supervised and released to their parents or legal guardian unless the school is notified by said persons as to other dismissal arrangements. Students will be dismissed per emergency card information (Parents are responsible to keep it current). **If your child will be absent from school (illness, doctor appointments, funerals, etc), please contact the school by 7:30am. Your child's safety is important to us and we want to make sure all students are accounted for.**

Lunch Accounts

Parents can view their child's lunch account on myschoolbucks.com. You can make a payment of up to 100.00 per student online please be aware that there is a small

fee when doing so. Checks can still be sent to the school. Lunches are \$3.00/day for students.

School Uniform

Shorts- need to be walking short length. Items should be no shorter than mid-thigh and preferably longer. Shorts can be worn on dates that weather dictates as appropriate. Shorts can be purchased from local retail stores or Dennis Uniform.

Pants-Navy blue pants generally purchased from local retail stores. Please take care that there is **NO COLORED** stitching or embellishments on pants. Leggings may be worn under skirts and can be any color.

Shirts- White shirts of any style and sleeve length with a collar or turtleneck may be worn. Shirts must be tucked in at all times. No decorations, logos, contrasting colors, t-shirts, undershirts or tank tops.

Skirts/Jumpers/Skorts- Optional uniform plaid skirts or jumpers are available only through Dennis Uniform Company (www.dennisuniform.com). They must be no shorter in length than just above the knee. All other uniform navy pants, shorts and white polo shirts can be purchased at a store of your choice.

PE Uniforms- Required for grades 4-8 Gray t-shirt with system logo and blue shorts. This year you are able to order through the school system and will be delivered to the school by August 30th. **Order forms and money must be turned in by August 23rd. We have included the order form in this letter.**

School Uniform Store Our school store will have gently used uniform items for sale during the Back to School Picnic. You will also be able to purchase from the store during our office hours. Most items are marked or they can be purchased for \$1.00.

Before and After School Programs

Before School

Before and after school programs are available to all CKS students for an additional fee starting at **6:45 am**. Students must be registered to attend Before and After School Care prior to them actually attending. Forms can be found in the

school office. If your child is in Before or After School Care and you need to contact them, their phone number is (605)201-4672.

After School

Hours of Operation 3:00-6:00

Activities: Student will be given a snack and outside play time. Once inside, students with homework are encouraged to complete their work and then join in the scheduled activity (which varies from day to day). **Pick-Up Procedure:** please park on West Avenue (by the gate of the playground). To pick up your child you will need to enter through the gym doors. If someone other than the parent is going to pick up your child please let the school know.

Bishop O’Gorman Catholic School Gift Cards

Bishop O’Gorman Catholic School Gift Cards can be purchased year-round after weekend Masses (at any Sioux Falls Catholic parish) or during the school day at the office (they are not available Monday morning or after 3:30pm. on Fridays). During the summer, gift cards can be purchased at the Parish Offices during their operating hours. There is a wide range of stores that have gift cards available. The more gift cards you purchase, the more money you and Bishop O’Gorman Catholic School receives for the budget. At the end of the calendar year, the central office will send you a letter stating how much money you earned by using the gift cards. On that sheet you designate where you would like the money to go - such as "Tuition for Sally Smith". Neighbors, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. can purchase gift cards and at the end of the year designate the money to go towards your child’s tuition.

Happy Birthday

Gabriel Loecker	8/1
Hunter Cox	8/2
Henrik Moberg	8/7
Ingrid Moberg	8/7
Tim Weisensee	8/8
Gianna Klobassa	8/12
Lundyn Carter	8/13
Carson Edwards	8/14
Lily Smith	8/16
Adriana Cruz	8/19
Sam Westcott	8/25
Emma Anderson	8/26

Jonah Crowe	8/27
Tanith Thornton	8/27
Katie Weisensee	8/28