

## From the Desk of 6th Grade Back to School Edition

Hello and Welcome Families!

We are so excited to begin the school year with you. We know you may be nervous or stressed about the days ahead, but we will do our best to be your partners on the journey into middle school. We send an email home every Friday with all the important notes for the week ahead. So let's get started!

### **Meet and Greet Tuesday, Sept. 1st**

We are looking forward to meeting and handing your student the textbooks they will need. Drive into the carpool lanes, find your child's homeroom table outside and proceed there to greet the teacher and pick up supplies for the start of the year. Make sure you wear your mask!

Drive up & pick up by last names:

*8 - 9 a.m.: last name beginning with A - E*

*9 - 10 a.m.: last name beginning with F - L*

*10 - 11 a.m.: last name beginning with M - R*

*11 a.m. - 12 p.m.: last name beginning with S - Z*

### **\*\*NEW FOOD DRIVE at the Meet and Greet\*\***

As a part of our mission that we are "Hands for Service," we are offering families the opportunity to drop off food for our St. Vincent DePaul food bank.

### **Remote Learning Zoom Schedule**

Along with your student's books, they will receive a laminated zoom schedule and a religion/homeroom code for the Google classroom they will want to join before class starts on Wednesday, Sept. 2nd. The schedule will also be available on our classroom webpages. The schedule follows a similar flow to their natural school day, but ends early to allow for one on one help if needed. Not all classes will meet everyday.

By Sunday night of each week, it is our goal to post the weekly schedule of lessons, zooms, and homework. We will post this on the shared homework page of our classroom websites. The schedule for the first week will be available this Sunday night.

Zoom links will be posted in Google classroom as well as on the student's Google calendar.

We will take attendance through our Religion Google classrooms. Students will have a question to answer each day by 9 am.

### **Digital Authorization**

Mrs. Max emailed Digital Authorization Forms this past week. Please turn them in ASAP! Students without this form on file will not be able to participate in one-on-one Zooms with their teachers.

### **First Day of School**

We will start out the school year in homeroom zooms at 9 am. The link will be posted in the Religion Google Classroom. If you or your child has trouble/forgets to join Google classroom. Here are the links for our first zoom of the school year:

Mr. Lanier's Religion class code: hmeeadr

Mr. Lanier Welcome Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98916987227>

Mrs. Dimock's Religion class code: o3brzi7

Mrs. Dimock's Welcome Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91772536897>

### **MYP Back to School Night**

We will be hosting 2! MYP Back to School Nights this year to provide maximum flexibility for families. Both will be done virtually. Can't make it? Good news! We will record it as well and post a link on our webpages.

MYP Night will be Tuesday, Sept. 8th and Thursday, Sept. 10th from 7:30 to 8:15 pm following the PYP Night presentations. We will send out a zoom link next week.

### **First Volunteer Opportunity of the Year!**

We are looking for a few awesome parents (ideally at least one from each homeroom) to be room parents for the 6th grade. We make it easy. There are no parties to plan, no glitter to help clean up. Your main job is to communicate information from Parents Club. We like to think of it as being the Ultimate Delegator of Jobs, the Builder of Community. Please let us know if you think this might be the opportunity you've been waiting for and we will give your name to Lacie and Jackie at Parents Club.

We know there will be technology hiccups the first few weeks. With a little patience and understanding, we will all get these kids launched into middle school and on the road to a great year in 6th grade. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with questions.

Have a wonderful weekend!

-- Charlotte Dimock and Austin Lanier