



Saint Kateri School

September 13, 2019

Welcome back to Saint Kateri School for 2019-2020!

As we begin this school year, we are faced with the news of the recent changes happening in the Rochester Diocese. Please keep all those affected in your prayers now and in the days going forward. Saint Kateri Parish and Saint Kateri School are not a part of this process as we are separately incorporated. A copy of the letter from Bishop Matano will also be going home today with more information regarding the reorganization.

We are now finished with the first full week of school and already our halls are filled with so much hustle and bustle. Before we introduce the new members of our staff, please keep Ms. Kremer, Mrs. Fitzgerald and Miss Smith in your prayers as circumstances have put them on another path and they are not returning this year. Ms. Kremer received a life changing position as the Principal at Nativity Prep in Rochester. From Ms. Kremer to her students ~

Dearest Saint Kateri children,

My heart is both happy and sad at the same time. I have loved our time together and will cherish every song, smile and memory we have made. God has new plans for me this year and I must listen to His call. Pray for me please as I become a principal to the children of Nativity Prep. You all are such a big part of me, and I am so proud to have been a part of watching you grow.

All my love,
Ms. Kremer

Mrs. Fitzgerald will be spending more time with her family and Miss Smith will be traveling abroad this Fall. Best wishes to all on their next journeys! We are going to miss them ~

This year we welcome Ms. Tabor as a Preschool 4-year-old Teacher, Mrs. DeRisio as a Preschool 3 and 4-year-old Teacher, Mrs. Bartholomew as a 4 year old Teacher, Mrs. Garbach as our Kindergarten Teacher, Mr. Dahlson as our Music Teacher and Mrs. Payne as our Math Specialist. Mrs. Roney-Blaine will be retuning. They have all been a fabulous addition to our school and we are very happy to have them!

Sadly, I was also just notified that Mr. Scarlata will be leaving Saint Kateri School next Thursday to take a Health Teacher position at Aquinas. He has been a great asset to our Saint Kateri School team and will be very missed. Good luck Mr. Scarlata!

We will be having Curriculum Night next Tuesday, September 17th from 6:30pm – 8:00pm. You will have time to visit your child's classroom and hear about the Curriculum, Field Trips, and volunteer opportunities. You will also be able to tour the school and our new LAB! We will begin in the Gym/Parish Center at 6:30pm ~ Don't forget to sign-up for

Parent-Teacher Conferences when you come in. There will be some information areas for you to visit before we begin, and Mr. Pellman will be attending to talk anything Boy Scouts ~ you will know who he is by the Scout uniform he will be wearing.

If you have picked up your K-5 child as a Car Rider, or if you are a Preschool Parent picking up each day, you will have noticed we are changing our pick-up procedures. They are a work in process as each day we improve both the flow of moving parents and students through the process and the time it takes. Everyone has been so patient and understanding! I wanted to let you know how much we appreciate it ~ it allows us to focus on our students. Thank you! You will receive the final procedure outline as soon as it is set~

Hot lunch orders are beginning next week. This year we will be using an online system that will allow you to order and pay electronically. The same system we use to take attendance and create Report Cards (MSP-My Student Progress) is also capable of providing this service to our families. A flyer is going home today with information about the new system and how it will work. You will receive an email from the Main Office which will include the link to MSP, your family username and password. When you receive your information to set up your account so that when the ordering window opens on Wednesday 10/18 you will be ready to go. Please contact the Main Office with any questions that you have regarding this process.

The Diocese of Rochester, Department of Catholic Schools will be using the I-Ready Diagnostic for ELA and Math this year in Grades K-5. This assessment will begin next week and is done on the computer during Technology class. Since this is the first time for Kindergarteners, they will complete it 1:1 with a Teacher. The I-Ready assessments are not factored into a grade and will not appear on a student's Report Card. It is another tool that our teachers use to guide the teaching of our students. It will also help us to see the growth in our students during the year; there is a diagnostic at the beginning, middle and end of the school year. Our Literacy and Math Teachers use this information to target their instruction with our students. If you have any questions regarding the I-Ready diagnostic, please see your child's teacher.

Thank you for sharing your children with us this school year. We are blessed to teach them every day and to share our faith with them. I am looking forward to a very successful school year where our students grow academically, socially and spiritually. I hope you find Saint Kateri School as a place where your child will thrive and grow in the knowledge that Jesus loves them, and they are special in his eyes.

God bless you and your family!

Mrs. Terri Morgan
Principal, Saint Kateri School

Mark Your Calendars:

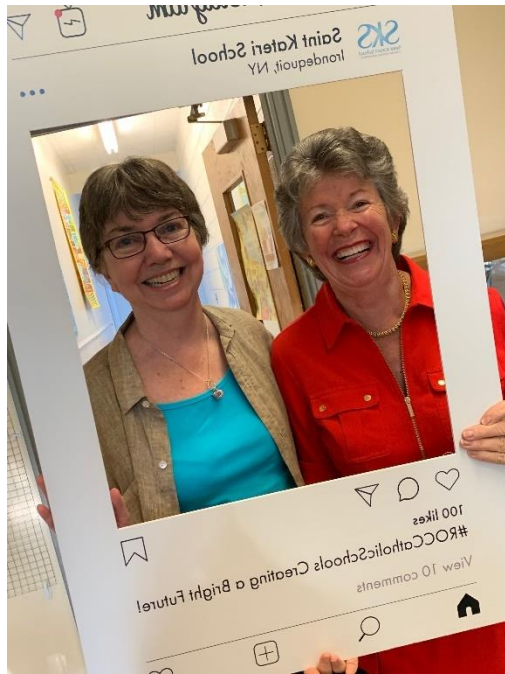
Curriculum Night (6:30-8:00)	9/17
Hot Lunch Window opens	9/18
Hot Lunch Window closes @ 9:30am	9/23
Milk Program Starts	9/23
Hot Lunch Program Starts	10/1
K-5 School Mass @8:45am (4th)	10/1
Parent's Association Meeting (6pm)	10/7
10 th Annual Walk-A-Thon (9:30am)	10/9
• Prayer (9:00am)	
• Pep Rally (9:15am)	
Superintendents Conference- No School	10/11
Columbus Day – No School	10/14
School Picture Day	10/16-10/17



10th Annual Walk-A-Thon

Save the Date!

Wednesday, October 9th



Some 1st Day of School photos to share ~ Teacher, Students and Families smiling and excited to be back at Saint Kateri School. Thank you to the Department of Catholic Schools for the fun frames!

