

Principal's Message

It was great to see you at Back to School Night!!! The teachers, staff, and I feel so blessed and fortunate to have such wonderfully dedicated families who are generous with their time and talents. Thank you for entrusting your children to our care. We love them and cherish them.

STAR Testing is scheduled for the weeks of August 28 through September 15. All students from K-8th will participate in the STAR Testing Program. Please make sure your children eat a good breakfast, get plenty of sleep and are in school on testing days. Please do not make any appointments for the students during testing weeks. This is very important. STAR testing enables us to plan the curriculum for the year and focus on areas needing attention as well as identify the areas where students are doing very well.

As we begin our third week of school, classroom routines and procedures are starting to become familiar and automatic. To keep all classrooms running smoothly, please help us maintain and reinforce our dress code. Uniform polos and Spirit Wear t-shirts must be tucked in the entire school day (including EDP). Hair must not be chemically treated (dyed, highlights, etc.) and fad haircuts and fad hair styles are not allowed. Please make sure your child is wearing socks that are both visible and of a solid color (solid red, solid black, solid white, or solid grey) with no embellishment (i.e. Nike sign, pink top-stitching). Mornings are a busy time for everyone, and we don't want to have to call you back to the school to bring the appropriate uniform for your child, but students are required to be in the proper uniform when they arrive on campus. Thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

Your child's consistent attendance is vital to their academic success. Please use our academic calendar to plan family trips during the summer months and school holidays. Make-up work can be given in most circumstances, but notes and worksheets are a poor substitute for a full day's curriculum taught by the teacher. Students can miss no more than 18 days during the school year.

Parade of 1,000 Flags – The parade will take place Saturday, September 9th. Saint Ann School is assigned 20 flags (2 rows). Please contact the office if you are interested. Please wear your Saint Ann polo or spirit wear and meet behind the Sierra Lanes Bowling Alley (634S. China Lake Blvd.) at 8:30 AM. Look for our Saint Ann group and pick up your flag! **Parent Hours**

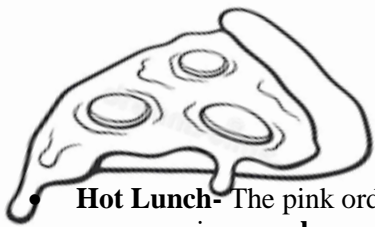


World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser – If you got a golden ticket in your box, please come by the school office to collect your prize.

- **STAR Testing** will be held from August 28th - September 15th. Please do your best to NOT schedule vacation days or doctor/dentist/orthodontic appointments during the STAR testing period.
- **Picture Day** – is Thursday, September 7th Flyers will be coming home in next weeks Monday envelope.



- **STAR REVUE** – Please read important information and return the bottom half if you would like to participate.



Hot Lunch- The pink order slips are in the Monday envelope. The slips and the money are due back tomorrow. If you are using **vouchers**, please attach to the pink slip. (Vouchers are still available for purchase in the school office)

**** Hot lunch is Pizza , hosted by 5th grade****

- **Pink slips-** AND money are due by Wednesday @ 11:00 AM. We will NOT accept late hot lunch slips this week due to Monday's school closure.
- **Ice-cream sales on Wednesdays** – Otter Pops are \$0.50 cents and ice-cream bars and ice cream bars/sandwiches are \$1.
- **Volleyball Games – Volunteers are needed to work the cash box. Please call or sign up at the office. *Parent Hours***
- **Altar Server-** If your child has received the Sacraments and would like to Altar Serve, we have Alter Server training form available at the school office.
- **Rosetta Stone-** New students received information last Monday. Please fill out, sign and return it as soon as possible.
- **Cell phones for students:** If your child has your permission to bring a cell phone to school, they must first obtain a cell phone contract from the school. These forms must be filled out each year. Students who have a signed cell phone contract understand that the cell phone remains in the backpack and is turned off for the entire school day. The only time a student would have need to use the phone is if their ride after school is not there. In that case, the student must first obtain permission from a school employee to use the phone.
- **Visitors to campus:** To help us maintain a safe educational environment and prevent classroom interruptions, it is crucial that on-campus visitors sign in at the school office and receive a visitor's badge. Teachers and staff will approach and question visitors who are not wearing a visitor's badge. If you need to visit the classroom, please make prior arrangements with the teacher.
- The **Extended Day Program** (EDP) will once again be available to provide care for your children. This program is particularly helpful on minimum days if your regular childcare arrangement cannot accommodate the additional hours. Please come by the school office or call and leave a message if you would like EDP information or a contract.
- **Facebook-** Our school has a Facebook page – www.facebook.com/StAnnsSchoolRidgecrestCA. You may also request to join the “Saint Ann Families” page, which is a closed group only open to our school families. If you do a search on “Saint Ann Families” you can request to join this group.
- Reminders:
 - Remember to place your **scrip pre-orders** on-line by Tuesday at 8:30 AM for pick up on Friday. Register by going to: shopwithscrip.com, then enter your e-mail address and enrollment code. Please call the office for the code
 - Scrip questions please contact Abby Nazeck at scrip@parishofsaintann.org

Upcoming Events

Thur.	Aug. 24 th	Pizza Hot Lunch – Hosted by 5 th
Fri.	Aug. 25 th	School Mass – 7 th Grade
Mon.	Aug. 28 th – Sep 15 th	STAR Testing (K – 8)

For any parent concerns or changes you would like to see at our school please email the Advisory Board at advisoryboard@parishofsaintann.org