



SAIN⁺T MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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Dear Families:

WELCOME BACK!

We're so happy to have our students back in the building for another school year! So far, these first few days of school have gone very well, and I appreciate everyone's cooperation and patience as we continue to navigate through these unprecedented times.

Although we had planned for an in-person Back to School Night, the Office of the Superintendent asked if these meetings could be held virtually. Many of our teachers have already held their meetings. Thank you for your participation. Other classes will have meetings in the coming days. Please check your email for the day, time, and Zoom link. These sessions are a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, hear about the class routines and procedures, and ask some questions.

Speaking of emails, it is crucial that you check your email at least once a day for communications from Saint Mark Catholic Academy. In the coming weeks, we hope to transition from many different papers going home in the Wednesday Folder to an email blast that will include an attachment with a "virtual folder" that will contain important flyers and documents. Of course, the Wednesday Folder will still go home, but it will be used to send home any tests or forms that need to be returned to school. Thank you for your patience as we attempt to "go green" and reduce the amount of paper that goes home. As a parent, I know that schools send home a lot of materials, and I hope these "virtual folder" emails will be much more convenient and helpful for all of you.

In this week's folder you will find two documents. One highlights the Diocese of Brooklyn's Student Accident Insurance Plan. No action is required on your part unless you would like to extend the insurance to outside of school. The other piece of information is about our SchoolStore.com Fundraising Initiative. After you join, you send out email invitations to family and friends. When they buy something through SchoolStore.com, Saint Mark Catholic Academy receives a percentage of the cost of their purchase. This is an optional fundraiser, but we hope many of you will participate.

Since we didn't have a school-wide Back to School Night, I didn't get the chance to say this in person: Thank all of you for entrusting your children to us. We are fortunate to have you as part of our school family, and we look forward to a successful, fun, and safe year! Thank you!

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Wilson
Principal