
AUGUST 2020 NEWSLETTER

St. Rose of Lima Catholic School



Dear St. Rose of Lima Parents and Family,

On behalf of the faculty and staff at St. Rose of Lima, I want welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. We are looking forward to a great year filled with learning and academic growth! We at SRL recognize that in order for children to thrive, we need to build strong partnership. Your help and support will make a great difference in your child's learning by ensuring that he/she attends school daily and on time, attends mass, completes work, reads daily, eats a healthy breakfast, and comes to school ready to learn, weather we are on campus and/or distance learning.

As we prepare for the new school year, I would like to take this opportunity inform you that as a result of revised statewide "Safer at Home" order on July 17th, Gov. Newson announced that all Tk-12 schools in CA be held to new requirements for resuming in-person instructions. As a result, the Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles will open the 2020-2021 school year with distance learning. SLR has shifted gears and we have begun preparation to deliver a quality distance learning curriculum. Although we will not resume instruction in the fall as scheduled, we are still working on new protocols and keep making the necessary modifications to our campus environments for in-person instruction in the near future.

Due to our low enrollment this school year and financial difficulties I had to make a difficult decision, this year many parents asked for financial assistance and due to all this we had to let go of many of our faculty and staff. However, let me assure you that this will not in any way affect your child's education, your child will continue to receive the quality education that he/she deserves. At this time with distance learning, we are only going to have 5 teachers in the classroom. The five teachers will be teaching two grades each, we will be implementing "Blending Learning" which will allow the teachers to work with two grades, (each grade independently) each grade will receive the minutes required by L.A. Archdiocese.

I understand that many of you have many questions and concerns regarding in-person instruction as well as remote learning. I assure you that we are doing the best and working really hard to make sure that this academic year moves as normal as possible.

We will continue to use schoolspeak to record grades and will be using the traditional grading system. Also, this new school year each student will receive a google account and will be using google meet to log into live session, submit work, view teacher's postings, and view videos.

By next week you will be receiving the class schedule. Our TK and Kindergarten teacher is Mrs. Gutierrez, first and second grade teacher is Mrs. E. Guzman, our third and fourth grade teacher is Mrs. Sandoval, our sixth and seventh grade teacher is Mr. Gonzalez, and fifth and eighth grade teacher is Mrs. Jackson. This year we will have self-contained classes for middle school.

One of our parents visited the school last week and made a comment that I felt needed to be shared with you, "When I need help, Santa Rosa is always there for me, now that Santa Rosa needs help, I am here to help her."

First week of school

The first day of school is Monday, August 31, 2020 and dismissal is at 12:30 p.m. Students will have mass at 8 am with Father Darío (YouTube channel). Students will then log in with their teacher at 9 a.m. to attend and review expectations and standards. They will also review the schedule for the first week.

Collection of school supplies

All students will be scheduled to collect containers with supplies, textbooks, and iPads. There will be a fee for the container with supplies. Next week you will receive the date and time for each grade to collect their supplies and the fee for the bin with supplies, this will also be the day to "Meet the Teacher". We ask that each child bring a plant and / or flowers to place on the statue of Mary that is outside, as well as on the statue of Santa Rosa to celebrate their party. We want each student to offer Maria and / or Santa Rosa this plant / flowers asking for a wonderful, successful and safe school year.

Tuition fee, fundraiser and hours of service

Tuition will continue to be collected monthly through FACTS or in person, parents who pay cash are encouraged to use Venmo, this will prevent and limit having many people in the building. Fundraising events will continue, however there will be some adjustments and changes as well as hours of service. You will receive an envelope when your child picks up their container, and inside the envelope you will find many forms to complete, as well as fundraising information. We will discuss all of this at our parent meeting times for August 31st.

More updates in the coming weeks. Let us join in prayer and remember that a family that prays together stays together.

Blessings,

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