

September 6, 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome Back! Here we are again at the beginning of another school year. The staff and I are looking forward to working with you to make this an exciting and memorable year. I would like to welcome all of our new families who have joined our St. Patrick School community.

Our new school secretary is Mrs. M. Pisciotta who comes to us from the secondary panel. She has many years experience and I am sure she will make an easy adjustment to elementary. Welcome Mrs. Pisciotta.

As you are aware, the school continues to be under construction as the addition is being built. Safety for our children at this time is most important. The school board has assigned a vice principal to lend a helping hand during this transitional time. Please welcome Mrs. M. Alati who is a retired superintendent. I look forward to her expertise and her assistance.

As was announced in June, we are beginning the Full-Time Kindergarten (FTK) Program this year. The rooms have been renovated and we are ready to go. Each FTK class has a teacher and a certified ECE worker who together will deliver the new FTK program. The ECE working with Ms. D'Emilio is Ms. M. Di Pietrantonio, with Ms. Marano is Ms. Basta and with Mrs. Ruccella is Ms. Beacock. Welcome to our ECEs.

Ms. K. Van Bakel is our new Physical Education teacher for grades JK to 3. We are fortunate to have a physical education teacher here full time. We also would like to welcome a new part-time Educational Assistant, Ms. N. Forrester.

There will be a monthly newsletter sent home with the eldest child in the family by the first Friday of every month. Please take the time to read over the newsletters carefully as they contain important information about activities and events at the school, information from our parish and about the community. The September newsletter will go home on Friday, September 9, 2011.

We look forward to working together in partnership with Fr. Paul Hancko, Pastor of St. Patrick Church. We always enjoy having Father Paul visit the school and spend time with the students.

You will receive information about St. Patrick Catholic School Council and nomination forms with the September newsletter. Please consider running for a position on the school council.

I would like to extend best wishes to all of our students and their families for a happy and successful school year.

Sincerely,

V. Longo  
Principal