

Seeing as how we have only been in school for a couple days, the first Lion's Roar newsletter will be published next Thursday.

For now, we have a few things we would like to share:

- **Tomorrow is a 2:00 Release Day.**

Students will be released in their prospective car lines.

2:00 Release Days are Spirit Days! Students are invited to wear their favorite pair of blue jeans (pants, shorts (appropriate length) or skirt (appropriate length)).

There is no cost on 2:00 Release Days.

- **Spirit Shirts**

The students received their Spirit Shirts when they arrived today.

We do have additional Spirit Shirts available for sale in the front office, first come first served. Spirit Shirts are \$10 each. Some parents like to wear them as identification when they chaperone field trips. If you are interested in purchasing a shirt, please email Ms. Sam at [smckinney@smmcs.org](mailto:smckinney@smmcs.org) with the size and your youngest students' name and homeroom teacher's name. We will charge your FACTS account. The sizes available are:

Youth: XS, S, M, L

Adult: S, M, L, XL, XXL

- **Arrival and Dismissal**

We would like to thank everyone for their patience during arrival and dismissal.

***Just remember:***

The arrival and dismissal areas are determined according to last name.

**A through L** arrives and dismisses on the Ferguson Street side of the school. Parents/students are not allowed to park and walk through this parking lot or through these doors between 7:40 and 8:00am or between 3:00 and 3:40pm.

**M through Z and PreK** must arrive through the South Houston side of the school.

PreK parents are the ONLY adults allowed to come into the building and MUST come into the building from the South Houston side of the school for arrival.

PreK students without older siblings will be dismissed on the South Houston side of the school.

Any student being walked to the school's doors during arrival must use the South Houston side of the school.

NO EXCEPTIONS. Parent will not be allowed to enter the school.

Students being picked up as a Walk Up for dismissal will be dismissed at the Library doors.

Additional car tags can be order by contacting Ms. Sam.

- **We would like to welcome the newest members of our SMMCS staff!**

Mrs. Nikki English (1st Grade)

Mrs. Angela Holden (1st Grade)

Ms. Katie Decker (3rd Grade)

Mrs. Meris Bridger (Middle School Religion and 6th Grade Homeroom)

Mr. Eddy Valadares (PE)

Mr. Eddie Greene (Fundraising Volunteer)

- **All Medical Forms (physicals, medication forms, clinic forms and immunization forms) need to be turned into Nurse Donna by tomorrow. Students missing this information will be pulled out of class beginning Monday.**

- **Mothers' Day Out Program is now open for registration. Please contact Ms. Cathy Brown at [cbrown@smmcs.org](mailto:cbrown@smmcs.org) for more information.**

- **Room Parents**

A Room Parent meeting is scheduled for August 24th at 6:00pm in St. Joseph's Hall.  
We are still looking for Room Parents for both 7th grade homerooms and one 8th grade homeroom.

- **Solar Eclipse Day**

Students will enjoy Monday's eclipse from 1:00 to 1:30pm.  
VIRTUS certified volunteers are needed to help assist with our PreK students. Please contact the PreK teachers (Mrs. McDowell at [dmcdowell@smmcs.org](mailto:dmcdowell@smmcs.org) or Mrs. Littel at [llittel@smmcs.org](mailto:llittel@smmcs.org)) if you are able to help out. Families will receive one hour of FIC credit for this event.  
Permission Slips MUST be turned in by tomorrow.

- **Sports (Middle School Students)**

**Football Meeting** on August 21st at 5:00pm in room 209

**Volleyball Meeting** on August 21st at 5:00pm in room 213

**Soccer Meeting** on August 22nd at 5:00pm in room 213

Please contact Coach Walsh at [twalsh@smmcs.org](mailto:twalsh@smmcs.org) for more information.

**Cheer Team** - we are currently looking for a volunteer coach to head up this year's cheer squad. You MUST be VIRTUS certified for this position. For more information, please contact Trish at [tduhon@smmcs.org](mailto:tduhon@smmcs.org).

- **Fall Festival**

It's already that time again! This year's Fall Festival is scheduled for October 22nd. In order for us to make this year's the best ever, we need you help!

Friday, August 18th: we are looking for volunteers to help stuff raffle tickets @ 6:30pm in the Church Office Conference Room.

Saturday, August 19th and Sunday, August 20th: volunteers are needed to help handout raffle tickets after all Masses.

Monday, August 21st: Fall Festival Committee meeting @ 6:30pm in the Family Life Center.

Please contact Trish for more information.

Hours volunteered will count toward your family's Family Involvement Commitment.

- **Trash for Cash**

***We need Coke lids and labels by tomorrow, Friday, August 18th!*** Coke is running a Back-to-School promotion, which gives the school **double points!** Plus it all goes towards a Free Dress Day in September!

That's it...for now.

Have a blessed weekend, and if you have questions or need help, please just let us know!