



August 1, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to an exciting new school year. We are looking towards September with wonder and zeal! As we transition back into the school year there are a few updates to be aware of.

Our school hours for students in **all grades will be from 8:00 am to 3:00 PM**. We will continue the rolling drop-off of students at 7:45 am. **Our first day of school will be Thursday September 8<sup>th</sup>, which will be a full day of school. Afterschool will begin on September 8<sup>th</sup> as well.** Please look at the tentative Year at A Glance for a preview of the year to come, the September Calendar is also included in this mailing.

**Afterschool** will still be available on both a monthly and per-diem basis, however all payments will be collected through **SMART Tuition**. If you are interested in using our afterschool service, please be sure to fill out the application with in this mailing and return it to school as soon as possible. We will coordinate with SMART to ensure correct billing on their part. If you are new to SMART you will need to create an account.

The Archdiocesan schools within Yonkers have been working together to ensure efficient and timely busing service for our students. As part of that we anticipate that any student being bused to school will arrive at school by 7:45 am, and drop-off will begin from school at 3:00PM. There will be days when we are in session and Yonkers Public School will not be able to provide busing for our students. Please see the list of dates when transportation will be unavailable, which is contained in this mailing.

Upon returning to school you will notice several major upgrades to our facilities. The parking lot has been completely resurfaced, the gym floors have been redone, new stalls in the boy's bathroom and the Monastery Church of the Sacred Heart is undergoing renovation as well. We are grateful to Fr. Moreau for all of these improvements!

Many Thanks for your cooperation and support!

God Bless,

Mrs. Scardino  
Principal  
Sacred Heart Grade School