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*The mission of Immaculate Conception School is to provide experiences to inspire, challenge, and nurture the mind, body, and spirit of our students within the framework of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the tradition of the Catholic Church.*

**OPEN THE DOORS OF MERCY!**

August 3, 2015

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Dear Parent, Guardian, Student, Teacher, Friend,

**DIOCESAN POLICY REQUIRES** a parent meeting before the start of the sports season. Former Athletic Director Dale Anderson will be helping us with the parent meetings to be held **Wednesday, August 5 for Grades K-4 from 6:00 to 7:00 and for grades 5-8 from 7:30-8:30.**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT** will be the most active of the year here as there will be a funeral reception in the cafeteria for Frank McCann's family. He is father of Sr. Janet McCann, ASC, former principal of Sr. Thea Bowman School. Frank was a resident of Columbia Rehab. The service will be in our Church but we have over 80 Vacation Bible School students using the "garden level" and the gym will host our scheduled parent meetings. **FAVOR: PLEASE LEAVE THE MAIN LOT CLEAR FOR PARKING FOR THE FUNERAL RECEPTION on Wednesday night.** The back gym double doors will be open. Park in the teachers' lot or on Liberty, Metter, Madsion, or on the main church parking lot and walk in. We have several other meetings at the new Church too and Room 220 will host our Building Task Force Meeting at 7:00 at the old campus.

**Soccer---** 2 weeks ago we sent home all the forms for soccer. See that week's letter if you don't have them. **GRADES 5-8:** Bring all the forms this Sunday night, August 9 for uniform pick-up at the gym from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. **GRADES K-4:** No need to come on August 9. Uniforms will be passed out by Mrs. Whelan during PE class since your season starts later than the upper grades.

At Uniform Distribution, please be sure to bring:

- a. ICS Athletics registration form and any sports fees due if not already paid
- b. Physical for 2015-16 athletics seasons
- c. Consent form filled out and signed
- d. Parents Agreement filled out and signed
- e. Diocesan Parent Code of Conduct Form filled out and signed
- f. Maple Grove Fees (\$50 for first child, \$40 for second child, \$30 for 3<sup>rd</sup> child)

**Write down these dates: August 5 and 9. See you there!**

**SPORTS SCHEDULES AND COACHING:** We are grateful to our Coaches for Soccer, basketball, volleyball, and track. We will hold a coaches meeting on Sunday, August 16. To coach, you have to complete the "Win the Prize Program", Child Protection Policy initial or renewal, and adhere to Diocesan and school policies.

We still need coaches for basketball and volleyball. If interested, please contact Mike Kish at [mkish@icsmail.org](mailto:mkish@icsmail.org). Terry Soucek, Rob Powers, Mary Ann Lambert, and Jim Wessel are on the list so far. Contact me this week.

**Games and Team Composition** depend on numbers. **If you want to play a sport and haven't signed up, we need to know now.** [mkish@icsmail.org](mailto:mkish@icsmail.org) . Due to numbers and unless more students want to play, here are the teams for basketball and volleyball:

Basketball:

Boys: 7-8 one team(12) 6<sup>th</sup> one team(7) 5<sup>th</sup> one team(8)  
Girls: 7-8 one team(8) 6<sup>th</sup> one team(8) 5<sup>th</sup> (only 5 players so we might join 6<sup>th</sup>)

Volleyball:

Boys: 7-8 one team(13-only 3--- 7<sup>th</sup>) 6<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> one team(13-only 5--- 6<sup>th</sup>)  
Girls: 8<sup>th</sup> one team(9) 7<sup>th</sup> one team(7) 6<sup>th</sup> one team 5<sup>th</sup> one team

So this is last call so we can schedule final games. As you can see, 13 is too many but in some cases there are not enough for individual teams. Bringing students up is ok but bringing them down doesn't work.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** starts tonight! We have over 80 coming!!! Thanks to Shari Murphy for heading this fun connection to our God!

**Upper grade soccer uniforms:** Sunday, August 9.

**Saturday August 15th - Columbia Daze Parade** - Parade at 5 pm on Main Street.

**Sunday August 16th - Potluck** for Pre-School, Pre-K, Kindergarten, New Student and Mentor Families - 12:30 start (following Mass) This event helps us know each other better and ease fears of new students as they get familiar with our school! Thanks to our School Board for going the extra mile on the parade and Pot-Luck! See the invite!

Sunday, August 16 Coaches meeting in band room. We will let you know the time in the evening.

**SCHOOL STARTS August 19---full day!**

**Friday, September 18, 2015 ICS/Joe Hoquet Memorial Golf Tournament.** Sponsored by the ICS Fathers Club. See the separate announcement!

**OUR THEME SONG** hit our website and sing along! [www.icscolumbia.org](http://www.icscolumbia.org)

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**Looking for a responsible and energetic person** to pick up our two children from ICS at 3:00 p.m. daily and watch them in our home until approximately 5:15 p.m. Position will also require occasional transportation to after-school activities. Great job for a high-school senior or college student. If you are interested, please contact Christine at 618-660-6463.

**PRAYERS:** Florence Dorshorst, Bill Pennock, Patty Juengling, Marian Keim, Dan Whelan, Edward Pelker, Pat Weber, Ed Hengel, Josh Ritter, Valerie Bauchens, Vince Webb, George Stein, Desiree Frasure, Special Intention

**Mike Kish**  
**Principal**

Ps 1 School supply lists are on the website under parents-forms.