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Assumption School eNewsletter

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Dear Families,

As some of you may know, Assumption School will be undergoing our Cognia reaccreditation process this Fall. This important review helps us reflect on all that we do well and identify ways we can continue to grow and strengthen our school community.

CLICK HERE for a link to the survey - we are asking for your honest feedback. Your thoughts, insights and experiences truly matter to us. Please take a few moments to complete and submit the survey.

Thank you, as always, for your partnership, support, and love for our school.

Sister Merris

OUR FRIEND THADDEUS
NEEDS YOUR HELP

Every child deserves the opportunity to grow, dream, and flourish. Today, our friend Thaddeus “Thad” Giansanti, an 8th grader at Assumption School is fighting for that very chance. Thad needs a kidney transplant, urgently.

We invite you to keep Thad in your prayers, *and* to consider the life-changing possibility of becoming a donor. Your generosity could restore his health and open the door to a bright, hopeful future.

Thad’s care is now at Hackensack Meridian Health; if you were unable to get to Philadelphia for screening or were rejected through the Penn/ CHOP donor screening, we strongly encourage you to try again! Eligible donors must be age 45 or younger, have a BMI of 30 or below, and be blood type “O.”

If you—or someone you know—would like to learn more about living donation, please consider completing this questionnaire or sharing it with a friend or family member.

Thank you for opening your heart to Thad's story. Your prayers, your willingness to share his need, and your consideration of becoming a donor mean more than words can express.

Please contact Monsignor John Hart at 973-539-2141 or msgrjohnhart@assumptionparish.org with any help you'd like to give. Register to be part of the screening process by clicking this link. **https://hmh.donorscreen.org/register/now**.

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, May 25:

- School Closed – Memorial Day

Friday, May 29:

- 8th Grade Yearbook Ceremony @ 9 a.m.
- 7th & 8th Grade Picnic

Wednesday, June 3:

- Pre-K 3 & 4 Picnic
- 8th Grade Clap Out @ 1:45 p.m.

Thursday, June 4:

- Kindergarten Picnic
- 8th Grade Graduation Mass @ 6 p.m.

Friday, June 5:

- Kindergarten Celebration @ 9 a.m. & last day
- 8th Grade Graduation @ 6 p.m.
- Last day of pre-school

Monday, June 8:

- Field Day – Grades 1st through 7th (Students need to bring a bag lunch.)
- Full day of school

Tuesday, June 9:

- Full day of school

Wednesday, June 10:

- Full day of school
- **Last day to buy lunch from the cafeteria**
- **Last day of Aftercare**

Thursday, June 11:

- 11 a.m. Dismissal

Friday, June 12:

- 9 a.m. Mass @ Church
- 11 a.m. Dismissal

Reminders:

- **The 2026–2027 Tentative School Calendar is now available on the school website under the calendar tab. Please note, that this calendar is subject to change. CLICK HERE to view.**

- **IMPORTANT NOTICE**: The playground off the back parking lot is for students ages 5 to 12 years old. Pre-school children should not be playing on the equipment. This area should only be used for our students who are being monitored by our staff during the school day. For your children's safety, please do not let your children play on the playground at drop-off and dismissal. Also, do not let them play in the parking lot. There are too many cars. Please exit the parking lot as soon as you pick up your child. We want everyone to leave safely.

- **PARKING AT DISMISSAL:** At dismissal, if you are picking up your child outside of the lobby, please do not park near our neighbors' driveways or in no parking areas. You can always park in the upper or lower church parking lots or other designated parking areas and walk to the school. We need to make sure that everyone stays safe at dismissal. Thank you for your cooperation.

A Note From the Nurses' Office:

- **Reminder:** Children must be 24 hours free of fever, diarrhea and/or vomiting WITHOUT fever reducing medication before returning to school.
- **Reminder:** If you child is absent from school, he/she cannot participate in after school activities that day. Thank you.

ASSUMPTION NEWS

FRONT DESK VOLUNTEERS

The front desk sign-up is now available for the month of June. How did we get here??!! I don't know...but it means there are only 10 days of school in June.

CLICK HERE to sign up for a shift before they are all taken!

We would like to **THANK YOU ALL** for your help during this school year. Your time is greatly appreciated! Wishing you all a restful and fun summer ahead!

ASSUMPTION UNIFORM SWAP

WHEN: MONDAY, June 8th, 8:00am - 5:30pm

Don't miss the chance to grab what you need!
Slightly Worn Almost Perfect *clean* uniforms requested please.

Items will be collected ***starting May 4th****.* Donations can be brought to the multi-purpose room (after May 4) and placed neatly on/near the storage rack.

7th/8th Grade uniforms are always in high demand.
Please Note You do not need to bring uniforms in order to take. Come get what you need.

Available to help? Volunteers welcome and appreciated. Reach out to Valerie 973.652.9346

AFTER SCHOOL & SUMMER TUTORING

Mrs. Galdieri is available for after school tutoring and is now scheduling summer sessions. Individualized instruction will focus on fundamental, standards-based reading and writing skills. This extra practice will help to prevent the "summer slide" and will ensure a strong start for the new school year. Additionally, summer practice provides rising 8th graders with an advantage during fall placement / entrance tests for private schools. Graduates who need help with summer assignments for high school are also welcome.

Limited time slots are available. Please reserve a spot for your child by contacting Kathy Galdieri at kgaldieri@assumptionnj.org. Mrs. Galdieri can also be reached at 973-222-2110.

Mrs. Guglielmo will be available this summer should your child need help in any of the areas below or if there is something else you'd like her to work on with them. Please feel free to contact her directly to discuss how she may help your child at sguglielmo@assumptionnj.org

Reasons why Summer Tutoring is helpful:

- It provides one-on-one personalized instruction
- It enables reinforcement of weak areas without pressure of grades
- It can strengthen foundations taught in the previous year
- It prepares students for topics introduced in the next school year

- It can provide approaches to tackling homework, study for tests
- It can BUILD CONFIDENCE

Mrs. Schochet is now scheduling summer tutoring sessions! Each session will be personalized to meet your child's needs—whether that includes support with summer assignments or strengthening grade-level skills. To schedule, email mschochet@assumptionnj.org.

Mrs. Klocksin is offering individualized one-on-one programs throughout the summer months. Review difficult material from last year, get a head start on next year's curriculum, or explore topics of individual interest. If interested, please email Mary Klocksin at mklocksin@assumptionnj.org

FORENSICS

We are excited to share that our Forensics Team had a good day at the 30th Annual Union Catholic Forensics Tournament. It was an amazing competitive tournament with 12 schools in attendance (including us). All of our talented students advanced into the Semi Finals and were awarded Certificates of Merit. We were equally excited to celebrate the following awards:

In Duo Performance
First Place - Sydney Geiger and Connor LeRouzic
Third Place - Taylor Price and Valencia Eskandani
In Declamation (Speech Performance)
Second Place - Kathleen Melvin Jocher
In Humor Performance
Fifth Place - Daniel Paton

Assumption received **third place** overall in the Team Sweepstakes.

We want to extend our congratulations on a **GREAT** season as we are so proud of this! Their growth through hard work and support of each other was instrumental to their success. We'd also like to thank all the parents, grandparents, and school staff for their support. We asked a lot this year and couldn't have done this without you! Have a great summer!

ATHLETICS

Assumption School, in partnership with St. Elizabeth Academy, will be hosting the 1st Annual Spring Dig Charity Volleyball Tournament on Saturday, May 30, 2026 at St. Elizabeth, Convent Station in support of The Valerie Fund.

We are planning to field up to 3 Assumption teams:
• 5th/6th Grade Team
• 7th Grade Team
• 8th Grade Team

Space is limited.

There will be a $10 donation per participant, with 100% of proceeds going directly to The Valerie Fund.

If you are interested in participating, please sign up using the link below:
https://go.teamsnap.com/forms/523007

If you are interested in volunteering for the event, please contact Roy Zamora at **roy.zamora@gmail.com**.

Additional tournament details and schedules will be shared once registration is finalized.

Special thanks to both St. Elizabeth University and St. Elizabeth Academy for their partnership and support in helping make this event possible.

BOOK CLUB - FIRST WEEK OF SUMMER

Click on image below for the registration form.

⛱️First Week of Summer Book Club!⛱️

Week of June 15th - June 19th
9am - 12pm
Incoming 6th - 8th graders
5B Classroom with Mrs. Brucato :)

Book, bookmark, Snack included
Fun discussions, games, projects!
Outdoor break

Once sign-ups are complete, a Google Form will go out for participants to vote on a book from the list above. *Restart* was a big hit last year, so Gordon Korman titles will be strong options again. The selected book will be provided to all participants and is included in the program fee.

$185/week — Cash, Check, or Venmo

ASSUMPTION SUMMER CAMPS

Passport Around the World Camp (Grades K-2nd)
CLICK HERE for more information and for registration

Beat the Summer Slide (Grades 3rd and up)
CLICK HERE for more information and for registration

Stay for STEAM - Summer Sessions (Grades 1st - 6th)
CLICK HERE for more information and for registration

Summer Fun Camp (Current PreK-4, K, 1st and 2nd)
UPDATED INFO BELOW!!

Summer Fun Camp spots are filling up quickly!

Each day of camp will feature a different theme, along with fun activities and creative crafts to keep everyone engaged and excited.
Camp Dates & Times:

- **Week 1: June 11–12, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM**
- **Week 2: June 15–19, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

We're also offering an extended day option during Week 2. Mrs. Schneider will be running an after-camp program from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM.
CLICK HERE for more information and for registration

Summer After Camp (Current PreK-4, K, 1st and 2nd)
CLICK HERE for more information and for registration

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Assumption's Vacation Bible School
Rainforest Falls Registration Opens on Monday, April 20th

Welcome to Rainforest Falls
Together, we will step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees, and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, campers will plunge into a lifelong adventure of discovering the nature of God. Students will explore what it means to be rooted in a relationship with God, their creator, and to find a safe place in life's storms.

Basic Camp Information:
· Camp dates are August 10th-14th, from 8:45 am - 11:45 am
· Campers must be in grade PreK4 - 3rd grade (Fall '26)
· Teen volunteers in grade 6 (Fall '26) and older can apply to serve
· Our celebration concert will be held on Friday, August 14th, at 11:30 am

Please share this information with other parish families! **Registration opens on April 20th. To access the registration form, please go to the Assumption Parish website: www.assumptionparish.org**

We are looking forward to another faith-filled, fantastic week!

Your VBS Coordinators,
Christine Fugger and Catherine Hudak

AROUND TOWN

ACADEMY OF SAINT ELIZABETH SUMMER ACADEMIES

St. E's will once again be hosting summer academic courses and summer athletic camps. Click on the links below for more information and to register:

AOSE Summer Academic Camps

AOSE Summer Athletic Camps

*The Weekly Word is also available on the school website **www.assumptionnj.org.***
If you have questions or comments, contact hsa@assumptionnj.org.

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