



### *Faces of Faith in Christ*

May 23, 2018

#### **Greetings St. Greg's Parents and Families,**

As we approach the last few weeks of the school year, I would like to take the opportunity to recognize the outstanding work we have accomplished this year.

#### **Accreditation**

This fall we had our accreditation visit and were fully accredited by the archdiocese of Milwaukee and Wisconsin Religious and Independent Schools Accreditation (WRISA). We met the requirements for all thirteen standards and seventy benchmarks in the areas of school mission and Catholic Identity, Academic Excellence, Governance and Leadership, and Operational Vitality. Thank you to all who contributed to this rigorous process and who continue to support our school's progress.

#### **Literacy performance Growth**

One of our school improvement goals for the past few years has been to improve our student literacy performance to reflect a 1.5 year growth in 1 years' time in 80% of our students. Last year we saw a 1.5 year growth in 60% of our students. This year we see 67% of our students meeting their projected goals.

#### **Catholic Social Teachings**

Another school improvement goal was to incorporate more Catholic Social Teachings into our curriculum and to increase the visual aspects and practices of our Catholic faith within our school building and faith community. We cracked that one out of the park and received exemplary recognition in Mission and Catholic Identity from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

#### **Rigor**

Our third school improvement goal was to increase the academic rigor in instruction by engaging our students in higher level thinking, instilling a "Growth Mindset" in our students, guiding the students in goal-setting and self-monitoring progress, and connecting learning to real-life situations.

#### **Awards Ceremony**

St. Greg's was so proud to recognize the achievements of our students at yesterday's award presentation. A special recognition goes out to Brandon Wejrowski (7) for his Good Citizenship, Madison Rackowski (5) for her Awesome Attitude, and Nyah and Olivia Rios for winning the Mary Pendzik Memorial Award for overcoming challenges. Congratulations to all our students for their hard work and dedication to greatness.

#### **Parking Lot Procedures**

There have been some recent lapses in following the parking lot procedures. Please remember to enter the lot on Oklahoma and exit out onto 60th St. via the south driveway. The morning drop off line requires students to be able to exit the car on their own without having to hold up the line. If a student needs assistance exiting the car, the driver must drive around to park in the lot rather than enter the drop off line. Once in the drop off line, parents are **not** to pull over through the cones to park or pull up to the 4k area or garage area to exit the car to assist their child. During the day, if you must enter the lot for any reason,

please do not drive through the area where students are present. Children do not always watch for cars. As always, we try to be as consistent as possible, even when it is raining, to provide safety for our students and their families during drop off and pick up. We ask that you inform alternate drivers of our procedures to ensure their compliance as well.

Kindest Regards,  
Amy Schlegel

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### Save the Date

This year's annual **Spring Flower Fundraiser** will be on Thursday, May 24th and Friday, May 25th with Morgan Avenue Greenhouse. 20% of all purchases made on these dates will benefit St. Greg's Home and School Association. A flyer, with more details, was sent home with students. Additional flyers are available in the school office. This flyer will need to be presented at the time of purchase on either of these two dates.

(Kathy Princer, Home and School Association)

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### Bookends **\*\*Important Reminders\*\***

Your May bill will be mailed to your home this weekend; please watch the post. As stated in earlier correspondence, your payment must be made by June 1, 2018. Payment can be made electronically at <https://stgregsmil.weshareonline.org/bookends>. Children with an outstanding balance after June 1 will be unable to attend Bookends until payment is made in full.

Post-Memorial Day Bookends services need to be pre-paid. A form for scheduling and pre-payment was sent home with your April bill. The due date for that payment is TODAY, May 23, 2018. Additional forms can be found on the school website, <https://uploads.weconnect.com/mce/d5155d043a8e6ffa4385a64df15a176f4752551/school/Bookends/end-of-year%20schedulingpayment%20%20form.pdf>. Students who have not prepaid may not attend Bookends starting Tuesday, May 29, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Alice Erlandson, Bookends Director at [aerlandson@stgregmil.org](mailto:aerlandson@stgregmil.org) or 414-327-3173.

### SCRIP

Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 9 a.m. will be the last chance to purchase Scrip to count towards your 2018-2019 tuition.

(Alice Erlandson, Bookends Director)

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### Upcoming Events:

- May 25: No School
- May 28: Memorial Day - No School
- May 30: 5th grade Junior Achievement Biztown field trip  
8th grade Brewers Game Graduation trip
- June 6: All school Mass 8:30am (school office will be closed for morning Mass),  
8th Grade graduation breakfast after Mass  
8th Grade Graduation Service 6:30pm, reception to follow in Hall
- June 7: K4 & K5 Bridging, 9am (Tenpenny Hall)  
Cleaning Day (out of uniform)
- June 8: Fun Day (out of uniform) (volunteer form)
- June 11: Last Day of School - Prayer Service 9:30am

School Dismissal 10:30am - No Bookends

**Attachments & Flyers:** (more information is available in school office)

[May Calendar](#)

[June Calendar](#)

[\\*2018 - 2019 School Calendar\\*](#)

[Memorial Day Service at Calvary Cemetery](#)

*Milwaukee Bucks Summer Basketball Camps (flyer in school office)*

*Can You Dig It Volleyball Camp (flyer in school office)*

[Summer Social Skills Group](#)

[Pius XI Summer Camps](#)

[2017 Air Quality Letter](#)

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School Office Summer hours:

June 15-29: 9:00am-12:00pm

July: office closed

August: 9:00am-12:00pm

August 20: resume normal school office hours 7:30am-3:45pm

**Submissions**

Please send all newsletter submissions to Laura Bruno at [lbruno@stgregsmil.org](mailto:lbruno@stgregsmil.org) by the Friday prior to the Wednesday newsletter.

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