Dear Parents,

Summer is upon us, and I hope you and your family are enjoying all this season brings! As we prepare for the new school year, we are confident that we can depend on your support of your child’s journey through the educational process. We anticipate an exciting and rewarding year, building a strong academic and spiritual foundation for the future … your children. We look forward to a year modeled on the witness of the saints!

This mailing provides you with important information as we enter into the new school year. Please take a few moments to review it as a parent, and where necessary, discuss with your child(ren) and to complete and return the requested information by August 15th.

Please pay particular attention to CORI forms and the Safe Environment (Abuse Prevention) on-line Training required for all parents who wish to volunteer, as well as ASCS Student Activities sign ups!

Please plan to join us at our Back-to-School Meet and Greet, 5 – 7 pm on Sunday, August 25th! This will be an informal gathering of families, faculty and staff with music and games. Ice cream sundaes are available for purchase. School supplies may also be brought to school at this time and we will have used uniform items available for purchase.

There have been many changes, both at ASCS and in the surrounding parishes which will impact our school. We look forward to seeing you at our required parent meetings. Please make every effort to attend:

- Thursday, August 22 – Orientation for New Families - 6 pm, followed by P3, P4 & K Parent Meetings - 7 pm
  - We recommend that school supplies are brought to school at this time
- Wednesday, August 28 – Parent Meeting – 6 pm (Grades 1 – 4)
- Wednesday, September 4 - Middle School Parent Meeting – 6:30 pm (Grades 5 – 8)

In His Peace,
Susan Massoud
Principal
Throughout the summer we continue to update FACT SIS (Formerly Renweb), Facebook, and the ASCS website, [www.ascsnb.org](http://www.ascsnb.org). Check out these on-line resources for information about ASCS! Supply lists, summer reading info, IXL Requirements, Uniform Policy, Parent & Student Handbook and more are posted on the school website.

**Family and Emergency Info update signoff and Home Language Form** - included in this mailing
- Please refer to the student information sheet included in this mailing. There should be a separate form for each student. If there are changes to the information listed, please log into FACTS SIS Parentsweb to update the information requested, complete and return the signoff form to ASCS by Wednesday, August 15.
- Please initial and return the student information sheet – even if there are no changes – by Wednesday, August 15.
- If you are unable to access FACTS SIS Parentsweb or the internet to complete this information, please call the school office or email vcamara@ascdfs.org for assistance!
- Having difficulties with your FACTS SIS account? Email smassoud@ascdfs.org from the email you wish to use for communication with ASCS.
- New students - please complete the Home Language form and return by Thursday, August 15. Each child must have a form on file.

**Bus Service** – available for students in Grades K – 8, living in New Bedford, more than 1.5 miles (K-5) or 2 miles (Gr.6-8) from ASCS.
- If you have not returned a bus form in June, please contact Mrs. Camara immediately so that correct routes/stops can be set up by the New Bedford School Dept. Please be aware of distance restrictions listed the form.
- Bus service begins August 29.

**Annual CORI Check and New On-Line Safe Environment Training**
- The Diocese of Fall River requires all volunteers to complete new on-line training on Abuse Prevention/Safe Environment Training, and to submit a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check before participating in any school sponsored activities (for example: supervising field trips, volunteering in the classrooms, monitoring recess, etc.) A volunteer’s CORI must be renewed yearly and Safe Environment training must be renewed every 5 years.
- Safe Environment Training is available online at https://fallriver.cmconnect.org/ - If you intend to volunteer this year, and have not previously completed this online training, please do so by the required parent meeting for your student. See ASCS website for more information.
- A CORI form and Adult Waiver Form are included in this mailing. Please return forms to school office at the required parent meeting for your student. A photocopy of your driver’s license will be required at that time.

**Activities & Christian Service** - included in this mailing (duplicate / download additional forms as needed – one per student)
- See ASCS Clubs listings below.
- All club sign-ups are for the year. Form due no later than August 30th.
- Forms are dated as they are received by the office. Sign up is first come - first served.
- All activity fees are billed on FACTS SIS, due by September 30th. Club/activity fees are non-refundable.
- Club Calendar is posted on the ASCS website.
- Club t-shirt is included in club fee.

## Great opportunities for social interaction, team building and fun!
**Speak with your child and sign up for activities**

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<th>Explorers Club</th>
<th>Monday 2:45 – 3:45 PM</th>
<th>Gr. K - 2</th>
<th>Fitness Activity Group based on world exploration, with crafts &amp; snack $100 per year</th>
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<td>ASCS Italian Club</td>
<td>Tuesday 2:30 – 3:45 PM</td>
<td>Gr. 1 - 4</td>
<td>Explore Italian language &amp; culture. Games, songs and crafts. $100 per year</td>
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<td>ASCS Art Club</td>
<td>Wednesday 2:45 – 3:45 PM Meets alternate weeks</td>
<td>A: Gr 5-8 B: Gr 2-4</td>
<td>Explore Art in a variety of media. Exhibition at Spring Arts Festival &amp; Open House Some materials purchased by participants. See ASCS Activity calendar 2 sections (approx. 14 sessions) Limit: 20 students per section. $50 per year</td>
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**Academically Focused Spiritually Alive Community of Saints in Training**

**We Are One + We Are All Saints**
ASCS Track Club  
Friday  
2:45 – 4 PM  
Gr. 4 - 8  
**FULL YEAR Commitment**  
Train throughout the year at Normandin track, participate in GNBCS Track Meet in May. *Cancels for inclement weather.*  
$100 per year

ASCS Select Choir  
*Monday*  
*Last class period during school*  
Gr. 5 - 8  
**Vocal performance group –FULL YEAR Commitment**  
Participation at school Masses, Christmas Show, Open House, Spring Arts Festival & school events.  
**Audition Required – Limited Enrollment - $50 per year**

**Other Activities Available:**
- **Coding With Kids Program** - Mondays (Gr 3 – 6) & Thursdays (K – Gr 2), Sept 16 – Nov 18. $170 for 8 week fall session, see Activities Calendar for exact dates. Sign up information available at Parent Meetings.
- **String Instrument Lessons** (Gr. 2 – 8) TBA during school by a professional string player, sign up information will be distributed at Parent Meetings.
- **Piano Lessons** (Gr. 2 – 8) TBA during the school day by a professional piano teacher – sign up information will be distributed at Parent Meetings.

**“No Fee” Student Activities:**
- **ASCS Christian Service** (Gr. 5 – 8) - Before or after school by assignment – Assist in classrooms and peer tutoring. No fee.
- **ASCS Ambassadors** (Gr. 5 - 8) – Provide assistance at school events and conduct school tours, meet before various events
- **ASCS Student Council** (Gr. 5 – 8) Membership by election, meets at Recess/Lunch (twice each month) No fee.
- **ASCS National Junior Honor Society** (Gr. 6 – 8) Membership by NJHS criteria, meets at Recess/Lunch (twice each month). No fee.

**Extended Care:** Billing and sign in/out through FACTS SIS.
- Persons authorized to pick up your child will log students in and out through Extended Care computer
- Log in / log out times are determined by the Student Time Clock on FACTS SIS system
- Log into your account to view charges and payments. Pay on-line option available.

**Multi-child Discount – Two or more students in same family billed ½ regular rate.**

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**Reminders & Upcoming Events!**

**Sunday, August 25 - Back-to-School Meet and Greet, 5 – 7 pm**
- Informal gathering with music and games. Ice cream sundaes are available for purchase. A great opportunity to meet other families, students and teachers!
- School supplies may also be brought to school at this time - be sure personal items are labelled with your child’s name.
- Used uniforms available for purchase.
- Please note: There is Mass at St. Mary’s Church at 7pm!
Required Parent Meetings *(At least one parent should attend)*:

- **Thursday, August 22**
  - Orientation for ALL New Families - 6 pm
  - Followed by P3, P4 & K Teacher Presentations - 7 pm
- **Wednesday, August 28**
  - Required Parent Meeting for Grades 1 – 4  - 6 pm
  - Followed by Grade 1 – 4 Teacher Presentations 6:30 pm
- **Wednesday, September 4 – Required Middle School Parent Meeting, Grades 5 - 8**  - 6:30 pm

For all Parents Meetings:

- General Session in the gym, followed by teacher / team presentations to review expectations and policies.
  - Should you need to discuss your child’s particular needs, please contact your child’s teacher(s) to set up a meeting for another time.
- School supplies may be brought to classrooms before the general session or after the teacher/team presentations.

**Tuesday, August 27 – School Opens for all students**

- Note: Aug 27 – 30 are 11:30 Dismissal for all students.
  - Extended Care is available 11:30 – 2:30 at a flat rate ($10). Regular rates apply in the morning and after 2:30pm.
  - Be sure to bring lunch— no cafeteria services until Thursday, August 29.
- No bus services until Thursday, August 29.
- Summer reading to be completed by first day back/ IXL should be completed by August 18
- Bring in personal and classroom school supplies, if not dropped off on August 22 or August 25.

**Opening Mass** - Friday, August 30, 10:15 AM. All are welcome!

**Sacramental Preparation** – If your child is planning to receive First Communion or Confirmation, please contact your parish about enrolling in the appropriate Sacramental preparation programs. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Beaulieu at St. Mary’s Parish, 508-995-3593 or davidbeaulieu@stmarysnb.com

**Fundraising and “Fun” Raising**

A fundraising opportunity calendar will be provided at the Required Parent Meetings, along with an explanation of how your family can choose to participate in the programs you prefer to credit back your fundraising assessment!

Our Parent Group is also planning a number of family and community building activities for the coming year. All interested parents are invited to join the Parent Group, which meets once a month. See ASCS Calendar for dates.