

Calendar Helper for 2020-2021

Our school year is full of many wonderful events. This sheet introduces information regarding dates listed on the **2020/2021 school calendar**.

**Please note that due to the COVID pandemic, some of these events will be cancelled and/or modified.

Event	Date for 2019-20 School Year	Who Attends/ Participates	Description
Packet Day	August 2	Families	All families come to school to complete paperwork and place orders for the school year. Online payment system WeShare as well as checks are welcome.
Kindergarten Parent Meeting	August 4	Parents only	Presentation by principal and classroom teachers for parents of incoming Kindergarteners. Held at school.
Pre-school Parent Meeting	August 5	Parents only	Presentation by principal and classroom teachers for parents of incoming Pre-schoolers. Held at school.
6th grade parent meeting and student orientation	August 6	Students and parents	The students will meet with the middle school teachers to set expectations and for team building exercises. During that time the parents will have a meeting.
Open House for families	August 9	Parents and children.	Families are invited to visit their children's classrooms and meet their teachers. Students may also drop off school supplies on this day.
First Half-days of school; no aftercare provided on these days.	August 13 and 14	School will end before lunch at 12:15	*Please note that aftercare will begin on the first FULL day of school, August 17
Mass	See calendar	Students k-8 with pre-school on specified days	Kdg. Through 8 students attending Mass gather outside the Church from 7:30 – 7:45 (pre-schoolers will gather in church hall). At 7:45, all enter the church. Mass begins at 8 a.m. After Mass, students walk back to school together – rain or shine. Family members are always welcome to attend.
PTA Pizza Day	Ongoing Throughout School Year	Voluntary	Most Fridays of the school year (see calendar for dates), the SMOS PTA sponsors a Pizza Day option for lunch, which is staffed by parent volunteers. If you purchase pizza lunch for your child, he or she will receive the # of pieces of pizza ordered, as well as unlimited vegetables and oranges (or another fruit for that week). Info available at Packet Day, including each classroom's assigned weeks for parent volunteers.
Back to School Night	August 18: Grades 6- 8 August 25: Grades 1- 5	Parents only	Presentation by principal and classroom teachers for parents, begins in cafeteria.
PTA Meetings	Second Tuesday of Each Month during the school year	Interested Parents	The SMOS PTA meets monthly to plan and coordinate events and issues that support SMOS families and teachers. All teachers, parents and guardians are welcome to attend. Meetings held in school cafeteria.
School Board Meeting	Third Wednesday of each month during the school year	Board Members	The SMOS School Board meets monthly to address school issues and coordinate with the school administration. Non-board members are welcome to attend by request of the school board president.
Parent Breakfast	One per grade, check the calendar for your child's date	Parents and school children	Parents are invited to bring in breakfast and share time with their child and their child's class.
Walk-a-thon	October 24	Families	In this school-wide fundraiser, students gather pledges based on estimates of distances they will walk. The walking takes place during the morning and into the afternoon in Tower Grove Park. Lunch and snacks are sold.
6th grade Camp	Dates to be determined	All 6 th graders	Students travel to Camp Sherwood Forest for 3 days, 2 overnights, of community building activities. Cost will be announced; scholarships available.
Parent Meeting - 1st Reconciliation	October 15	Parents of 2 nd graders only	Meeting for second grade parents who are preparing their children for Catholic sacraments.

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Halloween Fest	October 31	Families	This is an 8 th grade class fundraiser held during school to support the 8 th grade class graduation dinner and mystery trip. Halloween Fest is a carnival-like event.
Parent Teacher Conferences	November 4 & 5 and March 11	All Parents *	Meet one-on-one with your child's teacher(s) to discuss your child's current progress. *In 3 rd – 8 th grades, students are invited to attend as well.
Trivia Night	January 30	Adults only	Annual PTA fundraiser held in the gym.
Open House	January 31	Prospective Families;	Prospective families can tour the school and speak with staff, parents, and students.
SMART Fair	March 3	Students & Families	Students display their completed research projects at the school. Other activities, such as Lego robotics team demonstrations and the 3 rd grade Living Museum often also occur.
1st Communion parent meeting	March 4	Parents of 2nd Graders only	Meeting for second grade parents preparing their children for the Sacrament of First Communion.
First Communion	April 18	2nd Grade Families	Second grade students who are Catholic receive the sacrament of First Communion.
2nd gr. picnic	April 19	2nd Grade Families	All second grade students have a picnic in Tower Grove Park (if weather permits) to celebrate the sacrament of First Communion. Hosted by 2nd grade families.
Auction	May 1	Adults	A biennial fundraiser including dinner and drinks, as well as a silent and oral auction.
VIP Day	May 7	Student and VIP(s)	Very Important Person Day – grandparents or other very important persons are invited to come to the school for class visits and other activities.