

Summer Stay-in-Touch Newsletter

### **SUMMER 2022**

# LETTER FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Families,

Summer is often a time during which some children are prone to experience summer learning loss. Now is not the time to press "pause" on your child's growth and learning!

Within the enclosed summer newsletter, you will find programs, activities, and resources to stimulate your child and continue to set them on the path to success. Additionally, you will see upcoming dates of importance to our elementary school families (right).

We are excited to once again welcome your child back to his or her school community this September. Until then, we thank you for your ongoing support for the sacred mission of providing your child with a superior education infused with the teachings of Jesus Christ. Together, we are partners in making the world a better place, and I thank you for your collaboration.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Deegan Superintendent of Schools Archdiocese of New York



### **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **August**

22 TACHS Registration opens

Visit <u>tachsinfo.com</u> to register or learn more about the Test for Admission into Catholic High School (TACHS) exam.

#### September

- 6 First Day of School for Dutchess, Northern Westchester, and Putnam Counties
- 7 First Day of School for All Other Regions
- 19 MAP Fall Assessment Window Opens

Visit <u>nwea.org/the-map-suite/family-toolkit</u> for NWEA MAP parent resources.

Check your school's calendar for all school-specific dates. For the Superintendent of Schools' 2022-2023 Elementary School Calendar, visit catholicschoolsny.org/elementary/elementary-calendar.



# **MASS TIMES**

The summer is a wonderful time for your family to refresh and renew your relationship with the Lord.

One way you can do that is by attending Mass even when you are away on vacation.

Find a Catholic church wherever you travel at masstimes.org.



### **MUSIC ED**

Music plays a very important role in a child's development.

Encourage your child to play with music at home: naeyc.org/our-work/families/playing-music-home.



# GET FIT THIS SUMMER

Motivate your child to stay active this summer by making physical activity part of your daily routine.

Get creative by making up your own family-friendly TikTok dances, biking to the grocery store, and turning chores into an active game.



### **REC CENTER**

Various centers throughous New York State offer an abundance of free youth programming.

Visit the website of your local recreation center to find out which programs may be available for your family.



# FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Did you know that
Sadlier Religion offers
free resources for
families to connect with
and engage with their
Catholic faith?

For accessible family activity ideas, visit sadlier.com/religion/blog/free-printable-summertime-catholic-family-activities.



#### **FAITH TV**

Rainy day? How about watching a Catholic TV Network like Catholic Faith Network, or EWTN, or NETNY?

Check your cable provider for stations and programs.





## PARENT SUPPORT CENTER

Through Catapult Learning, ADNY families have access to extended learning opportunities yearround.

Visit our Parent
Support Center for
helpful tools, insightful
resources, and expert
guidance to help
support your child's
education and your
family's well-being:
catapultlearning.com/
parent-supportcenter-adny.

### **CITY ACTIVITIES**

Staying in or visiting New York
City this summer with your
family?

Take advantage of free NYC Parks events, programs, and activities made with kids especially in mind at <a href="mailto:nycgovparks.org/events/kids.">nycgovparks.org/events/kids.</a>



# STEM FOR FUN

STEM activities encourage children to see subjects like math and science in a new light.

Put your child's STEM skills to the test with this at-home bubble-blowing activity: kidsactivitiesblog.com/572/bubble-art.



# LOOK AT ME!

The best way to teach children good behaviors is to model the right behavior. Say "please" and "thank you," to your child and to others



Every time you visit adapp.org, a friendly popup guides you to up-to-date social, emotional, and behavioral health resources.

Content is updated regularly and includes a wealth of information to support families and promote mental wellness and resiliency at home.



### READY, SET... READ!

Motivate your child to read by bringing along a kid-friendly book or magazine along with you everywhere you go—to the park, the doctor's office, even the DMV!



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