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Dear SJGS Families,

As mothers of school-aged children, we know very well how precious summertime is! It is a time to play, explore, and visit with beloved friends and family; a time to enjoy big things like vacations and reunions, as well as little things like sleeping in or going out for ice cream.

As educators, we also know that summer weeks are important for maintaining all of the good things that your children have learned in the past academic year, especially in the areas of mathematics and literacy. Your child's future teachers have designed summer assignments and activities that they feel will best provide that skills maintenance and prevent the "summer slide." Please find these assignments attached.

While it's perfectly okay to take a break from school work for a time, we encourage you to review your child's summer assignments now so that you can ask any clarifying questions you may have before teachers take their vacations, too.

Lastly, we encourage all of our St. Joe Eagles to be sure to devote time this summer to maintaining their prayer lives and practicing their virtues. Here are some ideas:

- Pick a Virtues in Practice home project that you really enjoyed from this year and re-commit to it!
- Pick a Virtues in Practice home project that you tried but didn't quite succeed with and try again!
- Choose a day each week to spend 15 minutes at the Grotto at Notre Dame.
- Download the "Saints Stories for Kids" podcast and listen to an episode each week.
- Download the "3-Minute Retreat" app from Loyola Press and do a retreat every day.
- Build your own holy space or grotto in a favorite place in your backyard and spend time in prayer there each week.

It has been a blessing for all of us on our faculty to partner with you over the past year in forming the hearts and minds of your children! We wish you a safe, joyful, and restful summer!

Your Partners in Catholic Education,

Mrs. Green & Mrs. Schroeder



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Holy Cross tradition since 1854*



Students entering Third Grade - June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Last day of school	6 For the rest of this week just spend time enjoying family and friends. Take walks and bike rides and enjoy all God has created.	7	8	9	10
11 This week's reading focus is a mystery book.	12 Language Arts Read your mystery piece for 15 minutes	13 Math Practice Addition Facts for 20 minutes	14 Language Arts Read your mystery piece for 15 minutes	15 Math Practice Subtraction Facts for 20 minutes	16	17
18 This week's reading focus is an informational book.	19 Math Practice Addition Facts for 15 minutes	20 Language Arts Read an informational book for 20 minutes	21 Math Practice Subtraction Facts for 15 minutes	22 Language Arts Read an informational book for 20 minutes	23	24
25 Continue reading informational books this week	26 Language Arts Read an informational book for 15 minutes	27 Math Practice Addition Facts for 15 minutes	28 Language Arts Write two sentences to inform someone about yourself. Share your sentences with your parents. **Remember: Inform means to give information.**	29 Math Practice skip counting by 2, then by 3, then by 4, and finally by 5.	30	
		Notes:				

Students entering Third Grade - July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
2	3 Math	4	5 Math	6 Language Arts	7	8
This week's reading focus is biography.'	Help prepare a treat for 4th of July. Use measuring cups and spoons.	Happy Fourth of July!	Practice addition facts for 15 minutes	Read a biography for 15 minutes		
9	10 Math	11 Language Arts	12 Math	13 Language Arts	14	15
This week's reading focus is fantasy.	Practicing telling time, with an adult. Use an analog clock or watch - not digital.	Read a fantasy book for 20 minutes	Practicing telling time, with an adult. Use an analog clock or watch - not digital.	Read a fantasy book for 20 minutes		
16	17 Language Arts	18 Math	19 Language Arts	20 Math	21	22
This week's reading focus is historical fiction OR realistic fiction	Read a historical or realistic fiction book for 15 minutes.	Play a game such as Tic, Tac, Toe, checkers or connect four to work on strategies.	Read a historical or realistic fiction book for 15 minutes.	Using real or play money to count out money amounts to your parents.		
23	24 Math	25 Language Arts	26 Math	27 Language Arts	28	29
	Using coins find 2 ways to make \$1.00.	Read instructions to board game and then play it.	Jump rope and count by tens to 100. Then try counting backwards.	Read the Bible for 15 minutes.		
30	31 SEE THE MONTH OF AUGUST	Notes:				

