



Dear Parents and Guardians,

July 7, 2017

Greetings and happy summer! There is an important change in our schedule that I would like to bring to your attention so you may plan accordingly.

Next school year, doors will once again open at 7:45 AM and students will trickle in as they arrive to campus. The start time will remain at 8:00 AM; however, we will dismiss at 3:00 PM with approximately one 12:30 PM dismissal per month. The purpose of this two-year pilot dismissal is to allow students more time after school to engage in social and extra-curricular activities, complete homework, and ultimately have a more balanced day. Teachers will also have more time to collaborate with colleagues, lesson plan, grade, and serve students after school. In recent years we have noticed less productivity in the afternoon. It is our hope that students and teachers will benefit from the slightly shorter school day. We have the utmost confidence that your child's St. Anthony experience will only be enhanced with the revised schedule. I ask that you approach these pilot years with an open-mind and the assurance that your students' best interest is at heart. Before care will remain 7:00-7:45 AM and aftercare will be now operate 3:00-6:00 PM.

I am available to address any of your suggestions or concerns. Email is the best way to reach me over the summer. Again, thank you for your support and may you enjoy these summer days.

Sincerely,

Michael Thomasian  
Principal