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Dear Parents and Friends of St. Peter's,

GRADUATION 2008

Congratulations to the Class of 2008! The Graduation festivities were wonderful and we sent off another wonderful class of young men and women to high school! The Mass in the morning was so uplifting. Fr. Justin, our Pastor, gave the graduates much to reflect on as they prepared to leave our school. Fr. Justin and Fr. Pat are so good to our students by their prayers, celebration of the Eucharist (weekly), their presence in our classrooms, and their attendance at so many of our school functions.

I also salute all of our graduates' parents. They have meant so much to our school over the years. I thank them for all of their many sacrifices and their wonderful generosity to our community. I cannot thank them enough for the countless volunteer hours that they have done over the years. There is no way our school could do so many of the things we do without their assistance. Our parents are so essential to the foundation of everything that makes our school such a wonderful place. A special word of thanks to those parents who have seen their last child graduate from our school. Thanks for the memories and your abundant kindness to the faculty and staff!



The Class of 2008 gave us a beautiful gift. They provided for a biblical quote to be placed in our Brother Robert LaFave Courtyard on the chimney. This space always seemed to me to be "crying out" for something on it. I appreciate our 8th grade room mothers working with me on this project. The quote from Psalm 46 says: "Be still and know that I am God!" It should serve all of us a reminder that in this busy world of ours, there is a need on a daily basis to "step back" and spend some quiet moments in prayer with the Lord!

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I wish our graduates well in the future. I feel very confident that our outstanding faculty and staff have prepared them for the next four years...and beyond! I know that they are closer to a deeper personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ! I hope and pray that they will continue to grow in that relationship through prayer and the Eucharist. Fr. Justin reminded them that this relationship is more important than any other in this life and in the life to which we are now journeying!

UNIFORMS

Educational Outfitters is the ONLY uniform provider to our school. No other clothes from outside stores may be worn. As the handbook clearly stated last year, the 2007-08 school year was a year of transition. ALL STUDENTS must be in uniforms provided by Educational Outfitters (except the 8th grade) this coming year. Remember that older sweatshirts may be worn until they wear out. Hoodies are worn only by those in Middle School. I believe that there is a 10% discount if you order during them month of June. This company is most accommodating to our parents. This is a great time to order uniforms for next year as there is a discount for ordering at this time. Please read the handbook for uniform policy.

In the MIDDLE SCHOOL please note that the incoming 8th graders (CLASS OF 2009) is the ONLY class “grandfathered” in for the next school year. The polo shirts for Middle School are white or navy blue ONLY (except 8th grade). Pants, skorts, shorts are preferably khaki, but navy blue is permitted.

OPENING OF SCHOOL

In planning for your summer vacations...

THURSDAY, 14 AUGUST @ 6:30pm in the Cafeteria

Child Abuse and Neglect Workshop as required by the Diocese of Raleigh for all parents in our JK and K programs—who have not attended this meeting already. Remember that you may not volunteer for any class or school function unless this class has been attended.

THURSDAY, 14 AUGUST @ 7:30pm in the Cafeteria

Junior Kindergarten Orientation (This will follow the meeting above.)

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MONDAY, 18 AUGUST

Kindergarten students with last names A-L report to cafeteria at 8:15am

TUESDAY, 19 AUGUST

Kindergarten students with last names M-Z report to cafeteria at 8:15am

Sixth graders report to gymnasium at 9:00am/ Dismissal at 1pm (Lunch will be served—no charge)

WEDNESDAY, 20 AUGUST

ALL students report at 8:00am (except Junior Kindergarten)

Opening School Mass @ 10:00 am (Church)

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THURSDAY, 21 AUGUST

Full day of school

May god bless you and your family!

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