

August 5, 2009

Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2009-10 school year! We are looking forward to working with you to ensure that all of our students experience a year of excellent learning, and growth. Here are a few details that will help you start the school year with success...

We have enclosed a copy of our 2009-10 school year calendar and a supply list for your reference. Our first day of school begins on Wednesday, September 9, with the first bell ringing at 8:40 a.m. On that day the students will go directly into the gym for our "Welcome Back to School Assembly" and you are invited to join us for this special time at the start of the new school year.

On Wednesday, September 2, at 6:00 p.m. the whole family is invited to join us for the "Welcome Back to School Orientation and Potluck" in the gym. Orientation packets will be available and staff will be present to answer questions. We ask that each family bring something to share at the potluck: Last names beginning with A-M please bring a main dish and last names beginning with N-Z please bring a side dish.

You and your children are also invited to our annual "Meet and Greet" on Tuesday, September 8, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Students will visit their classrooms, meet their teachers and classmates, and enjoy an ice cream treat during this special event on the day before school begins.

As most of you know we have received a large number of applicants for our open positions. At this time we are pleased to welcome Miss Stacey Cherry (soon to be Mrs. Stacey Forbes after her wedding on August 22) as our Music Teacher and Front Office Administrative Assistant. We are also excited to add Mrs. Kristin Haney as our first grade teacher. Both of these individuals bring successful experiences, a commitment to excellence, and a desire to serve our Lord through their work with our students and families. We are still conducting interviews with many highly qualified teachers for our Pre-Kindergarten position and are looking forward to making a final selection within the next days.

Finally, we'd like to offer a friendly reminder to everyone that the campus fund fee of \$80 and the September tuition payment are due by Friday, August 14. You may mail the check to the school address (GLS, 13455 Second Ave. SW, Burien, WA 98146) or place it in the tuition drop box between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. if you prefer. If you are unable to submit the payment by this date, please contact the school office to make other arrangements.

We consider it a privilege to partner with you to educate your child and as always, we welcome your phone calls, e-mails, and visits as we prepare for the first day of school. We look forward to a joy-filled year of learning and growth here at Glendale Lutheran School.

In His Service,

Karin Manns  
Principal