

Calendar Helper for 2023-2024

Our school year is full of many wonderful events. This sheet introduces information regarding dates listed on the **2023-2024 school calendar**.

Event	Date for 2023-2024 School Year	Who Attends/ Participates	Description
Packet Day	August 6	Families	All families come to school to complete paperwork and place orders for the school year. Online payment system WeShare as well as checks are welcome.
Pre-school Parent Meeting	August 8	Parents only	Presentation by principal and classroom teachers for parents of incoming Pre-schoolers. Held at school.
Kindergarten Parent Meeting	August 9	Parents only	Presentation by principal and classroom teachers for parents of incoming Kindergarteners. Held at school.
6th grade parent meeting and student orientation	August 10	Students and parents	The students will meet with the middle school teachers to set expectations and for team building exercises. During that time the parents will have a presentation from West County Psychological.
Open House for families	August 13	Parents and children.	Families are invited to visit their children's classrooms and meet their teachers. Students may also drop off school supplies on this day.
First Half-day of school; no aftercare provided today. *(see note)	August 16	School will end before lunch at 12:15	**Please note the aftercare program will begin on August 21 st !!
Mass	See calendar	Students k-8	Children come to school as usual. They walk with their class to church and Mass begins at 8:15 a.m. After Mass, students walk back to school together – rain or shine. Family members are always welcome to attend.
PTA Pizza Day	Ongoing Throughout School Year	Voluntary	Most Fridays of the school year (see calendar for dates), the SMOS PTA sponsors a Pizza Day option for lunch, which is staffed by parent volunteers. If you purchase pizza lunch for your child, he or she will receive the # of pieces of pizza ordered, as well as unlimited vegetables and oranges (or another fruit for that week). Info available at Packet Day, including each classroom's assigned weeks for parent volunteers.
Back to School Night	August 23 Grades 6- 8 August 24: Grades 1- 5	Parents only	Presentation by principal and classroom teachers for parents, begins in cafeteria.
PTA Meetings	Second Tuesday of Each Month during the school year	Interested Parents	The SMOS PTA meets monthly to plan and coordinate events and issues that support SMOS families and teachers. All teachers, parents and guardians are welcome to attend. Meetings held in school cafeteria.
School Board Meeting	Third Wednesday of each month during the school year	Board Members	The SMOS School Board meets monthly to address school issues and coordinate with the school administration. Non-board members are welcome to attend by request of the school board president.
Parent Breakfast	One per grade, check the calendar for your child's date	Parents and school children	Parents are invited to bring in breakfast and share time with their child and their child's class.
Trivia Night	October 14	Adults only	Annual PTA fundraiser held in the gym.

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Walk-a-thon	October 21	Families	In this school-wide fundraiser, students gather pledges based on estimates of distances they will walk. The walking takes place during the morning and into the afternoon in Tower Grove Park. Lunch and snacks are sold.
6th grade Camp	October 23-25	All 6th graders	Students travel to Camp Sherwood Forest for 3 days, 2 overnights, of community building activities. Cost will be announced; scholarships available.
Halloween Fest	October 31	Families	This is an 8th grade class fundraiser held during school to support the 8th grade class graduation dinner and mystery trip. Halloween Fest is a carnival-like event.
Parent Teacher Conferences	November 2 & 3	All Parents *	Meet one-on-one with your child's teacher(s) to discuss your child's current progress. *In 3rd – 8th grades, students are invited to attend as well.
Parent Meeting - 1st Reconciliation	November 7	Parents of 2nd graders only	Meeting for second grade parents who are preparing their children for Catholic sacraments.
Open House	January 28	Prospective Families;	Prospective families can tour the school and speak with staff, parents, and students.
1st Communion parent meeting	February 27	Parents of 2nd Graders only	Meeting for second grade parents preparing their children for the Sacrament of First Communion.
First Communion	April 28	2nd Grade Families	Second grade students who are Catholic receive the sacrament of First Communion.
2nd gr. picnic	April 29	2nd Grade Families	All second grade students have a picnic in Tower Grove Park (if weather permits) to celebrate the sacrament of First Communion. Hosted by 2nd grade families.
Auction	Not taking in place in 2023-2024 – please look for date in 2024-2025	Adults	A biennial fundraiser including dinner and drinks, as well as a silent and oral auction.