

Dear Parents,

I cannot believe that half the year has gone already! So far it has been a great year. There have been many improvements. I would like to give you a heads up on what is happening in our school.

- The outside of the school was greatly enhanced by the repair of the sidewalks. Flowers were planted and will bloom in the spring thanks to our new pastor Monsignor Graham
- The gym was painted and the gym floor was refinished. It looks incredible.
- Chrome books are now being used in grades 3-8
- Our Computer curriculum has added CODING to what the students are being taught. Go to [www. hourofcode.com](http://www.hourofcode.com) to see what this is.
- Mini I- pads have been ordered for our Kindergarten class. They have arrived and will be operational soon.
- New math books called EUREKA have been purchased for grades k-8. These texts follow engageny.
- 20 keyboards were purchased, thanks to the Parent Association, to be used in our Music Program.
- In order to insure the health of our students, we set up appointments to have eyes, ears and teeth checked. This year the Helen Keller Institute checked the eyes of our 4-8 students. Students who need glasses will be given them free of charge. They will be able to choose from a good selection of frames
- A new school website is coming soon with many updated-photos of our students and events.
- We have a new Resource Room for grades 4-8 on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor that has been assembled by the eighth teacher, Mrs. DiPreta and her students
- Our Resource Room for our Pre k-3<sup>rd</sup> grade is in the process of being assembled.
- We will soon be adding a Cheerleading Squad to our Sports Program.
- Thank God, it gets better and better.

Sincerely, Grace Lucie