



ST. PASCHAL BAYLON SCHOOL—SUMMER SCHOOL SESSION 2011

To: **Families of Students Who Will Be in Grades K-8 for the 2011-2012 School Year**
From: **SPBS Summer School Administrator, Mrs. Nancy Cinney, 495-9340, ext. 140**
Date: **April 18, 2011**
Re: **Summer School Classes at St. Paschal Baylon School in Thousand Oaks**

When: Tuesday, July 5,** through Friday, July 22, 2011
Cost: \$175.00 for one class (session) per student; \$150.00 per class when a family enrolls its child or children in more than one class
First Session: 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Second Session: 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

- Students from all schools (Catholic, public, and private) and from home-school programs are welcome to attend Saint Paschal Baylon Summer School.
- Grade levels indicated below are for the Fall of 2011.
- Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis (class sizes are limited). A class may be cancelled due to lack of enrollment, and in that case your money will be refunded. You will be notified by June 13, 2011, as to which classes are confirmed for your child.

****NOTE that Summer School this year will begin on a Tuesday**, in order to allow our families to observe the Fourth of July national holiday, which is on Monday, July 4th.

FIRST SESSION 9:00 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.

1. **Kindergarten Language Arts Readiness**—*Mrs. Jody Hobbs*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming Kindergarten students**

In this special preparation class, students will learn how much fun preparing for success in Kindergarten can be! In the context of an interactive workshop entailing play with lessons, students will practice skills for Kindergarten readiness, such as alphabet recognition, sound association, sequencing, left to right progression, and visual discrimination. Activities will emphasize following directions, listening, and auditory discrimination. The future Kindergarten students will develop phonics skills, expand vocabulary, and increase their appreciation of literature. This class will utilize many learning manipulatives, including toys, games, and hands-on practice items, along with kinesthetic movement—all to help our youngest learners realize the joy of school and Language Arts!

2. **Math Basics 2-3**—*Miss Ann Cleary*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)
—**Incoming 2nd and 3rd grade**

Students will review 2nd and 3rd grade math concepts, with an emphasis on place value in addition and subtraction. We will frequently use manipulatives to help in understanding these concepts and use games to further develop number sense. A small portion of each day will be used for drill on math facts, and speed tests will be given in the last week of Summer School.

3. **Math 4**—*Miss Jean Alden*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)
—**Incoming 4th grade**

This class will serve to reinforce basic principles of mathematics, while strengthening the student's ability and understanding of the concepts. Addition, subtraction, and multiplication will be reviewed and reinforced through the use of manipulatives, games, and lots of drills. This class will serve as an opportunity for students to brush up on and learn important mathematical concepts in an inviting and exciting way. Join us for a summer of amusing addition, multiplication, and much more to assist in your child's preparation for fourth grade math.

4. **Math 6**—*Mrs. Diane Ferry*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)
—**Incoming 6th grade**

This course is designed to review 5th grade math concepts and present a bridge to pre-algebra. Topics will include: place value; addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of whole numbers, fractions, and decimals; ratios, proportions, and percent; geometry and an introduction to integers.

5. **Math 7**—*Mrs. Julie Roland*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 7th grade**

This course is designed to review 6th grade math and to provide an introduction to pre-algebra. Topics will include: properties, fractions, decimals, percents, ratios, proportions, integers, solving equations and inequalities, graphing, geometry, polynomials, and exponents. There will be emphasis on how to show correct mathematical procedure. This class will include Smartboard games and activities, along with lots of interactive and group work. **NOTE: This class is a prerequisite for recommended Accelerated Pre-Algebra students at SPBS with a Cumulative Average below 93%.**

6. **Study Skills, Writing, and Reading for Junior High**—*Mrs. Nancy Cinney*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th grade**

Academic success in Junior High requires effective study habits, solid writing skills, and the ability to read literature and write about it, using critical thinking. This engaging seminar-style class combines a focus on developing the study skills needed for academic success, while reading and writing about great literature. This class will provide practical strategies for successful study skills, along with intensive practice in writing about literature. Students will learn to set goals, organize, manage time in the short and long term, take notes, prepare for and take tests effectively, memorize information, and utilize academic resources. Through a series of engaging self-assessments, students will determine their prominent learning styles, then learn to use the study methods that work best for them. Junior High writing requires the ability to narrow a topic, develop a thesis, determine key evidence, express details with persuasive power, provide analytic commentary, and synthesize ideas. Students will learn and practice the steps to writing powerful essays in Junior High, with formats and strategies used throughout the SPBS Schoolwide Writing Program. In addition, grammar will be addressed as appropriate. The class will be formatted as a workshop, which allows lots of hands-on practice, dialogue, and personal assistance.

After all, reading great books is a part of the joy of summer! We will read, discuss, and write about books that will fulfill your SPBS Junior High Summer Reading list requirements! Roll up your sleeves and get ready for some reading, writing, and skill-development fun in the sun! **NOTE: SPBS Junior High students may complete their required Summer Reading and writing assignments in conjunction with this course. Mrs. Cinney's two Summer School classes will focus on different books and emphasize different elements of study skills; therefore, students may enroll in both classes, if desired.**

SECOND SESSION 10:45 a.m.—12:15 p.m.

1. **First Grade Language Arts Readiness**—*Mrs. Jody Hobbs*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 1st grade**

These incoming first grade students will enjoy a variety of fun learning activities to help them increase their readiness for the joy and discovery of Language Arts in Grade 1! The class will integrate play with concept learning, including the use of numerous manipulative to help students with hands-on practice of important concepts. Utilizing interactive lessons, the class will focus on improving students' phonics skills and comprehension. In addition, the students will work on writing skills, listening skills, and speaking skills. Creative writing will be emphasized as well as the basic mechanics of a well-structured sentence. The future first graders will learn word attack skills that will help them to become successful, independent readers. In addition to text-based materials, students will utilize games, hands-on materials, word activities, songs, and various interactive methods—each designed to engage all learners—to happily create and understand the written word. Preparing for first grade success was never such fun!

2. **Phonics/Reading**—*Miss Ann Cleary*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 2nd and 3rd grade**

We will work on phonetic skills, reading fluency, reading comprehension, and creative writing. We will be using a variety of motivational strategies to enhance student interest, improve reading skills, and have fun in the process. This class will benefit all students who desire to strengthen their basic reading skills and increase their enjoyment of reading and writing.

3. **Study Skills and Language Arts**—*Miss Jean Alden*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 4th and 5th grade**

Students will learn successful study methods, while sharpening their abilities in Language Arts. Basic **study skills**—including time management, memorization skills, review skills, and test-taking—will be presented to assist students in getting a head start on academic success during the intermediate grades, as they prepare for increasingly rigorous standards. Students will improve their oral reading fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary skills through the use of various modalities. Grammar and writing skills will be emphasized, as students are introduced to and practice the *4-Square Writing Method*, part of the SPBS Schoolwide Writing Program. As they write their own personal paragraphs and stories, students will also learn to improve organization of ideas, punctuation, capitalization, sentence structure, and spelling. In addition, students will learn the power of "**SQ3R**" (Survey, Question, Read, Recite, Review) to help increase comprehension when reading. All of these activities will be done in a structured, yet exciting way! Students will have a great time improving these important reading, writing, and study skills and thereby increase their confidence, too.

4. **Math 5**—*Mrs. Diane Ferry*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 5th grade**

This class is designed to review and strengthen important math concepts for students entering fifth grade. Using a variety of learning methods, including hands-on and interactive strategies, students will increase their understanding of place value, comparing and ordering numbers, expanded notation, rules for rounding, and standard notation. In addition, we will strengthen division skills, including one- and two-digit factors, and multiplication skills, including multiplying two-digit numbers by other two-digit numbers.

5. **Study Skills, Literature, and Writing for Junior High**—*Mrs. Nancy Cinney*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th grade**

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6. **Math 8: Pre-Algebra Basics**—*Mrs. Julie Roland*—(Teacher, St. Paschal Baylon School)—**Incoming 8th or 9th grade**

This pre-algebra course is designed to review the basics of pre-algebra and introduce Algebra 1 concepts. Topics will include: decimals, percents, and proportions; operations involving integers and absolute value; solving one- and two-step equations, positive and negative exponents, linear equations, functions, and graphing; applying algebra to geometry and trigonometry, right triangles, and polynomials. This class will include Smartboard games and activities, along with lots of interactive and group work.

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PARENT AGREEMENT

Please sign and complete this page and return to the school office with registration fees on or before May 27, 2011.

I understand that the summer session registration fee is nonrefundable; that St. Paschal Baylon School reserves the right to cancel classes for which there is insufficient enrollment; and that the school cannot refund tuition if the application is withdrawn after June 17, 2011. In the event that a class is cancelled, the tuition will be refunded.

I have discussed this program with my child and approve of his/her participation. I understand this program cannot accommodate students with discipline problems. Should a problem arise, the student/parent will discuss the matter with the Summer School administrator and abide by decisions made by the school. If the problem persists, the student may be dismissed from the class with no refund of the course fees. Rules and regulations in the SPBS *Parent/Student Handbook* are in effect during Summer School, with the exception of the uniform regulations, and are enforced by the Summer School administrator and/or SPBS Administration. Your signature indicates your compliance with our *Handbook*.

All students must be picked up within 10 minutes of the end of their class(es).

Students attend SPBS Summer School at the discretion of the SPBS administration.

RETURN BOTTOM PORTION TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY MAY 27, 2011.

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Registration Form

*Please enclose a \$75.00 deposit for each session and return this registration form on or before May 27, 2011.

*FULL payment is due by June 17, 2011.

Student Name: _____ **Grade in Sept.** _____
PLEASE PRINT

Address: _____

Phone #: _____

Student's School: _____

Session 1: _____
TITLE OF CLASS

Session 2: _____
TITLE OF CLASS

Mother's Name & Daytime Phone#: _____

Father's Name & Daytime Phone#: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH STUDENT

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Permission Form / Medical Release for Summer School 2011

Student Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Grade: _____

Home Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ Home Phone#: _____

Mother's Name and Daytime Phone #: _____

Father's Name and Daytime Phone #: _____

Insurance: _____ Group/Member #: _____

Allergies, Medications, etc.: _____

Other emergency contacts:

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

To Whom It May Concern:

I hereby request that my son or daughter _____ attend the St. Paschal Baylon School Summer School Program during July 2011.

I do not hold anyone connected with the SPBS Summer School program or SPBS responsible if any misfortune should occur. I understand and support the fact that my son or daughter must comply with the directions given by the school during the Summer School program. I agree to instruct my child to cooperate and conform to directions and instructions of the supervisory personnel in charge of the program.

I hereby give the school personnel permission to use their judgment in obtaining medical service for my child, and I give permission to the physician selected by the school personnel to render medical treatment deemed necessary and appropriate by the physician. I agree to relieve the school and other adults from any liability in connection with this request.

I understand that my insurance benefits, which are in effect, may have limited application.

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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