

ASSUMPTION EXTRACURRICULARS 2016-17

Academic All-Stars (Homework) Club

Moderators: Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Sykora

Academic All-Stars Club is open to all students from kindergarten through 8th grade. Academic All-Stars Club is for students who need help on homework or for students who need a structured time and quiet place to complete assignments. This is **not** 1-on-1 tutoring. Students who sign up for Academic All-Stars Club can attend as needed. Students may be assigned to Academic All-Stars Club if homework completion is an issue. Academic All-Stars Club meets twice a week from 2:50 to 3:40. Academic All-Stars Club will not meet on early dismissal days.

Assumption Ambassadors

Moderator: Mrs. Sykora

Assumption Ambassadors is a select group of 6th through 8th students who positively promote and represent Assumption at various events and programs. Their purpose is to extend hospitality and showcase Assumption in the community at large. Ambassadors are required to attend meetings prior to major school recruitment events and attend fall and spring information nights and the Catholic Schools Week open house. Attendance is also required at other events throughout the year. The Ambassador Club began in the 2007-08 school year.

Babysitting Club

Moderators: Mrs. Michael & Mrs. Tripp

Babysitting Club is open to 5th and 6th graders who want to learn the basics of babysitting including ideas on how to keep children busy and entertained for a long day and tips on health and safety for babies, toddlers, and preschoolers. Students will also learn how to promote themselves and acquire babysitting jobs. Babysitting Club will meet from 2:50 to 3:40 twice a month in the spring in order to prepare students for summer babysitting jobs.

Bellarmino Speech Club

Moderator: Mrs. Rogers

Come join the Assumption Speech League. This program is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Enjoy the camaraderie of working with fellow classmates and coaches to prepare for competition and develop public speaking skills. Choice of speeches include humorous, serious, and duet. Bellarmino Speech Club will meet once a week from 2:50 to 4:00. Competition dates will be announced when that information becomes available, and the final meet will be in May and is for the "best of the best" where trophies can be won. Coaches and judges are needed. Come join the fun!!!

Book Club (\$)

Moderators: Mrs. Rogers (5-6) and Mrs. Struckel (7-8)

Book clubs enable students to meet informally to discuss literature and share their love of reading. The book club will select a book to read and students are required purchase their own books or checkout the book from a local library. Book Club is not being offered for fall 2016.

Chess Club

Moderator: Mr. Vautrain

The Assumption Chess Club is for students in 1st through 8th grade. The Chess Club meets every other week from 2:50 to 4:00. Students who already play chess or those who want to learn are welcome and students can play for fun or sign up to compete. Chess Club runs year round, but the official CYC season runs from December to March. Students can participate in one of four preliminaries. The top 10 in each preliminary qualify for the final tournament in March. The 3 age flights are mixed gender for 4th grade, 5th & 6th grade, and 7th & 8th grade.

Children's Choir

Moderators: Mr. Prsha and Mrs. Pyle

The Assumption Children's Choir is open to all 3rd through 8th grade students. Choir practice, which is on Mondays from 2:50 to 3:40, involves fun, prayer, learning about the faith and making beautiful music for God. The choir will sing at Friday school Masses and some Sunday 10:30 Masses.

Cooking Club (\$)

Moderators: Mrs. Foshe (K-2), Ms. Strobl (3-5), and Mrs. Struckel (6-8)

In cooking club students will learn practical techniques to everyday cooking in addition to cooking safety. Cooking club will meet once a month from 2:50 to 3:40. The cost of the club is \$12 per semester for grades K-5 and \$15 per semester for grades 6-8 to cover the cost of cooking supplies. Grade 6 to 8 boys will meet 1st semester and grade 6 to 8 girls will meet 2nd semester. Grades K-5 may be split into semesters depending on the number of students who sign up.

Craft Club (\$)

Moderators: Mrs. Foshe & Mrs. Whittington (K-1) and Ms. Strobl (2-4)

Craft club is open to students from kindergarten through 4th grade. Students will learn to create seasonal and holiday crafts and more. The club will meet monthly from 2:50 to 3:40 and will cost \$12 per semester to cover the cost of supplies.

Dance Class (\$)

Moderator: Miss Bartola

The dance program will begin in October. Dance class will be held once a week for toddlers **(must be potty trained)** through 1st graders. Times and classes will depend on the skill level and number of students who enroll. If you are in 5th through 8th grade, you belong to a dance studio, and you are interesting in helping, please email Mrs. Bartola-Swain

Drama Club

Moderator: Mrs. Romanowski

Coming late fall—Drama Club! More information to come.

Green Club (\$)

Moderator: Mr. Jones

The primary focus of the Green Club at Assumption School can be summed up in one word—sustainability. Sustainability is basically learning to live in harmony with the natural world. Or, as expressed by the Church, to be good stewards of God's Creation. In the Green club students will learn more about protecting ecosystems, gardening, composting, recycling, etc. Included in this will be hands-on learning, field trips, and guest speakers who will talk about the importance of "green living." Green club is open to students in grades 5 through 8 and will meet on weekly from 2:50 to 3:40. Green club may suspend meetings during the winter when there is less to do. The cost of Green Club is \$5 per year to cover the cost of supplies.

Math Facts Club

Moderators: Mrs. White and Mrs. Rogers

2-4-6-8-Assumption loves to calculate! Students in 1st through 4th grade who love math or need support in math and computation skills are encouraged to participate in Math Facts Club. Students will review basic math facts for the grade level through games, iPad apps, Smart Board games, and more. The club will meet every other week from 2:50 to 3:40.

Percussion Club

Moderator: Mr. Lord

Coming 2nd Semester for 6th – 8th graders—Percussion Club! More information to come.

Private Music Lessons (\$)

Moderators: Mr. Prhsa / Ms. Siefried

Calling all aspiring musicians! Students interested in learning an instrument or developing their vocal skills can reserve lessons with Mr. Prsha or Ms. Siefried.

Mr. Prsha offers private 30-minute music lessons in guitar, bass, and piano on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Mr. Prsha is already full for this semester, but please contact him @ prshag@assumptionstl.org in the future regarding cost and to reserve a spot in the program.

Ms. Seyfried, who is with the Palmer Music Program, offers lessons in band instruments and piano on Thursdays. Please email palmermusiceducationervices@gmail.com for additional information.

Newspaper Club

Moderators: Mrs. Magoc

Write editorials, report the news, and capture moments in history as a member of Assumption's Newspaper Club. The Newspaper Club is not only a lot of writing, but it involves creativity as well. We also need students to create comic strips, draw pictures for the Coloring Contest and Write a Caption Contest, and to create certificates. The Newspaper staff is made up of students from grades 5 through 8. The Student Council Commissioner of the Newspaper is the editor and oversees the process. Club members use publisher and other applications are used to illustrate the stories. The newspaper is published about four times a year. There may be a special graduation edition of the paper written by the 8th grade reporters. The newspaper is an excellent learning experience in writing, creativity, word-processing, and responsibility. The newspaper club meets twice a month from 2:50 to 3:40.

Pinterest Club (\$)

Moderator: Mrs. Nordin

Pinterest Club is for 5th through 8th graders who are excited about both crafting and technology. There are so many ideas on Pinterest. Students will be learning how to use the technology portion of this great resource in addition to making different projects throughout the year. The club will cost \$20 per semester to cover the cost of supplies. The club will meet twice a month from 2:50 to 4:00.

Read, Right, Run Club (\$)

Moderators: Miss Brotherton, Mrs. Foshe, Mrs. Sykora, Mrs. Thomas

The goal of the Read, Right, Run club is to develop reading-proficient, community-minded and physically fit children in grades K-5 by challenging them to READ 26 books, RIGHT the community with 26 good deeds, and RUN 26.2 miles over the course of the school year. Read, Right, Run Club culminates with students running their final 1.2 miles at the Annual Family Day (April 8, 2017) in Forest Park. The club will meet weekly from 2:50 to 3:40 starting after Labor Day and ending with the final race. The cost of the club is \$20, which includes an activity journal, a race day shirt, race bib, and finisher medal after crossing the finish line on April 8th. See <http://gostlouis.org/community/read-right-run-marathon/> for additional information. More info on how to register will be sent home to those who sign up. Please do not send \$ to school for this club.

Science Club

Moderators: Mrs. Foshe and Mrs. White (2-3) / Mrs. White (4-5)

Science Club is open to all 2nd through 5th grade students. Each club (2-3 & 4-5) meets once a month on Tuesdays and carries out different experiments following the scientific method. These experiments include racing soda cans using static electricity, guessing which objects sink or float based on density, and many more. Students get to experience science through a hands on experience. The science club meets from 2:50 to 3:30 in a classroom, outside, or in the science lab depending on the type of experiment.

Sign Language Club

Moderator: Miss Billhartz

Students will learn the basics of American Sign Language and will interpret/perform music using sign language at our spring concert. The club is open to students in 5th through 8th grade and meets 3 times a month from 2:50 to 3:40 in the library until the spring concert, which is their performance date.

Student Council

Moderators: Mrs. Struckel and Mrs. Sykora

The Student Council of Assumption School is an organization which seeks to instill Catholic discipleship, to promote good citizenship, to encourage a high standard of scholarship, to inspire school spirit, to demonstrate the practical application of democracy, and to advance the welfare of the school and its members in every possible manner. School-wide service projects are often chaired by the Student Council. This council is made up of eleven elected members who are called commissioners. Student Council will meet once a month.

Student Safety Patrol

Moderator: Mrs. Magoc

Patrol members are 5th through 8th grade students who help make sure students are safe during arrival and dismissal procedures. They also exhibit courtesy by opening doors and greeting everyone who enters the building. Their friendliness and maturity give Assumption a friendly atmosphere and set an example for younger students. Safety Patrol members serve a 2 week duty followed by 2 weeks off. Patrol members must be available to arrive at 7:15 am and stay until 3:00 pm.

Yearbook

Moderators: Miss Brotherton, Mrs. Foshe, and Mrs. Magoc

In the Yearbook Club, 6th, 7th and 8th grade students create the school's yearbook. The yearbook is created digitally using online tools and resources. Students take photos, upload digital data, create photo pages, write captions and more. Students work through the whole process from brainstorming and editing to publishing the final product. While it is a lot of work, students who are involved in yearbook state that it is also a lot of fun. Yearbook Club meets once a month from 2:50 to 3:40

Tutors

Moderators: Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Sykora

Assumption tutors are 7th and 8th grade students who attend Academic All-Stars Club on Mondays or Wednesdays to help younger students with reading and other tasks. Assumption tutors are patient with and supportive of the younger students and model positive academic responsibility. Assumption tutors is a great resume-builder for high school.