BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

MAIN INFORMATION COVERED

CURRICULUM

1. Religion: Main focus will be on the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes.
2. Math: Everyday Math will be our text. We will begin ixL Math the week of August 24th. Students will have until the following Monday to complete the assigned skills, with a goal of getting 100%.
3. Reading Groups: I have supplied the first selection for each student. You will receive an email when you need to purchase other books for your child’s reading group. We will do Reading Logs each week, with the log sheet due on Mondays. Students should be reading chapter books, at their reading level. I will send home Fluency Homework starting next week, with the work due by the following Monday.
4. Language Arts: Spelling tests will be every Friday, and the book pages which will be due on that day, along with any additional assignments I have given the students. Vocabulary tests will be every other week, on Fridays.
5. Social Studies: We study California this year, and for the School Fair your child will be presenting a Mission Project: either a model, a video or a scrapbook. Families may choose whichever mission they would like, and I encourage you to visit the mission as part of the learning process. We will write an informational report about the chosen mission. I will direct that writing process in class. Your child will learn how to take notes on index cards, organize those cards, make an outline and write the report. More information will follow later in the year!
6. Online Components
	1. Typing Web: same log on as this summer
	2. ixL Math: same log on
	3. Spelling City: can be accessed by looking for my page: mrsdwyer1. I have also set up an account for each student, using the same log on information that they have for typing web, but without their first initial. It is shs and then the last name only. Password is the same.
	4. Scholastic News magazine: website is sni.scholastic.com/sn4 and the password is 49ercardinals.

GENERAL ROUTINES, etc.

1. I would like parents to sign their child’s planner every night at this point.
2. I will post a weekly newsletter on the school website, outlining my plans for the week. I will send you an email if there are any changes or additions to the homework for the week, so please check daily.
3. I do not want students to have pencil sharpeners or any type of pencil box at school; zippered pencil pouches are the best.