

# The Sentinel Newsletter June 16, 2017

## **Principal's Message**

On Friday afternoon families and friends gathered with the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class of 2017 to celebrate their successful completion of our program and to wish them continued blessings as they transition to high school.

While the ceremony represented an important milestone for our graduates, it was also a significant moment for a number of families participating in their final All Saints graduation after many years in our community. This week I would like to acknowledge those families who have been a part of our school family for more than ten years and whose youngest child has now graduated. I thank them for their commitment to Catholic education and for having chosen All Saints Catholic School.

Parker Family (11 Years) White Family (11 Years) Switzer Family (12 Years) Ferguson Family (13 Years) Halstead Family (16 Years) Ulrich Family (20 Years) Gannon Family (21 Years)

As the school year quickly draws to a close, I am reminded of the many blessings of this past year. Over the course of the past ten months, for example, the teachers have worked diligently to further integrate technology in the learning process and to differentiate instruction. And as we look ahead to next year, we are excited to take another significant step in our technology program – the implementation of a one to one device program in the middle school. Additionally, it will be a time of great celebration for our community as we mark the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of All Saints Catholic School.

While it is important that we continue to embrace innovation and to seek new opportunities for improving the teaching and learning process, the core mission and focus of our school has remained unchanged over the course of the past six decades. All Saints Catholic School exists so that the children of our parish and surrounding region may experience the love of Christ on a daily basis and be transformed into His likeness. With this foundation, they become witnesses of our Catholic faith, going forth to share the Good News of the Gospel by word and example. This is our mission. This is our call....that all may be saints!

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, thank you for choosing All Saints for your family. Your children are your most precious gift and we are grateful that you entrust them to our care.

Wishing you a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday!



#### **Prayers & Updates for Michael Munsell**

Thank you to the many members of our community who continue to pray for Michael and his family. Those interested in receiving updates regarding his progress are invited to access his Caring Bridge page at the link below.

#### Caring Bridge – Michael Munsell

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

#### Pre-Kindergarten Openings for 2017-2018

Openings are still available in the half day classes of the Pre-Kindergarten Program for the 2017-2018 school year. This is a great opportunity for families in our community who may be hoping to send their child to All Saints but have heard that openings are limited due to high demand. Please invite families who may be interested in the Pre-Kindergarten program to contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio at (703) 393-1490 or jdeugenio@allsaintsva.org for more information.

*Remember, current parents who refer families into our program may earn up to \$400.00 in tuition credit per year through our New Student Referral Program!* 

#### **END OF YEAR INFORMATION**

School Supplies (2017-2018) The school supply portal is now open and can be found at the following link. http://www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks Access Code: ALL088

The portal will close on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Please submit orders by this date to qualify for the bulk discount and free shipping. The portal will reopen for several additional weeks until July 16th for individual sales. Packs will be available at a slightly increased cost and families will need to pay for them to be shipped to All Saints in time for supply distribution.

Copies of the school supply lists are also available on our website for families who wish to purchase items locally.

### Extended Day Program

There will be no Extended Day Program on Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. All students will dismiss at 11:00 a.m. following the Closing Mass & Awards Ceremony. Please make arrangements for your children to be picked up if you anticipate being unavailable at that time.

### Medications

<u>All medications must be picked up from the clinic no later than Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.</u> Since students are not authorized to carry medication, it is necessary for parents to visit the clinic to pick up medications prior to the close of the year. Medications remaining after the final day will be discarded.

### **Summer Office Hours**

The school office will remain open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. during the months of June and August. Should you need to contact school personnel during the summer months, please do not hesitate to leave a message on the answering machine or contact us via email. We will make every effort to assist you in a timely manner.

### Important Dates for the Upcoming Year

- Orientation Day (Students and parents are invited to visit the school, meet new teachers, and pick up supply orders.) – Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Back-to School Barbecue hosted by the PTO Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>(5:30-7:30 p.m.)
- First Day of School ~ Noon Dismissal (Grades K-8) Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>
- First Day of Pre-Kindergarten Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>

## Immunization & Health Records Requirements for 2017-2018

## To the parents of Pre-K students arriving in the Fall 2017:

The State of Virginia requires parents of Pre-K students submit the following:

- 1. An immunization form must be in the child's record by the date of the child's admission. The first day of Pre-K is Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- 2. Immunizations must be recorded and dated on either the Health Dept. form (MCH 213F or MCH 213G) or a physician's form, include the child's name, and be signed or stamped and dated by a licensed physician, the physician's designee, or an official of a local health department.
- 3. For all immunizations a child receives after July 1, 2017, the form must contain a statement (typed or handwritten) that the child is adequately immunized.

The current Form MCH213G is available at the following website:

http://www.doe.virginia.gov/support/health\_medical/school\_entrance\_form/school\_entrance\_form.pd f

If your child has any chronic health conditions, such as food or substance allergy or asthma, please be sure to submit an Authorization Form for the medication along with the Action Plan for the condition. All medications must be brought in by the parents, not by the child. If a child needs an Epi-Pen, please bring two per prescription dosage recommendations.

## To the parents of Kindergarten students arriving in Fall 2017

A new Physical Exam is necessary, dated less than one year from the time of admission. Kindergarten begins on Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. This Exam should be on, or accompanied by, the Virginia Department of

Health form MCH 213G. (See the website above for the form). Tip: Print out the MCH213G and hand it to the physician before the physical exam for this year, if possible, so as to avoid an additional charge to complete it outside the office visit. The Physical must include all the immunizations required by the Commonwealth of Virginia as indicated by the chart on the following website: https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/child-adolescent.html

# Upcoming Events

Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>

- Kindergarten Graduation (Church/10:00 a.m.)
- Classroom Parties (1:30 p.m.)
- Last Day of Extended Day Program

Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

- Final Day of School
- Closing Mass & Awards Ceremony (8:30 a.m.)
- Refreshments for Parents (PAC)
- Final Dismissal (11:00 a.m.)
- No Extended Day Program
- Faculty/Staff Luncheon (Noon)
- Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>
- Teacher Work Day
- Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>
- Teacher Work Day
- Deadline for Tuition Payment in Full for 2017-2018 with 2% discount

# Links:

- EPI Pre-Packaged School Supply Link (Access Code: ALL088)
- All Saints School Supply List
- Pilgrim Virgin Statue: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084CAEAB22A02-pilgrim

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