The Sentinel

March 7, 2018

Principal's Message

Despite the fierce winds of last week, I'm pleased to report that our school sustained minimal damage limited to four trees on the perimeter of the playground. Thank you, Mr. Andre and the Facilities Team, for closely monitoring the conditions of our campus and for coordinating the cleanup efforts.

At the close of this month, when the potential for additional inclement weather has passed, we will finalize the calendar for the end of the year. Look for these details pertaining to graduation and other end of the year ceremonies in the March 28th newsletter.

Each year during the season of Lent, the Peace & Justice Players sponsor a simple lunch, the proceeds of which are donated to benefit those in need. This year, as a sign of our solidarity with the poor around the world and in an effort to help the students gain a better understanding of poverty, the lunch will consist of one bowl of Mexican Fiesta Rice and water. This will be the only food and drink available for purchase on Friday. Although participation is completely voluntary, we are hopeful that many of the children will embrace this opportunity and recognize it as a chance to increase their empathy for those suffering in our world.

The cost of the lunch is \$3.00 to be submitted as a cash donation rather than through the lunch accounts. Students may bring a lunch from home if they prefer and are reminded to bring a drink if they so choose as only water will be available in the cafeteria.

Thank you for your continued support of the CRS Rice Bowl program and our efforts to make the journey of Lent as meaningful as possible for our students.

Social Media Reviews

In this digital savvy age, parents increasingly look to online reviews when making decisions regarding the selection of a school for their children. Within the past couple of months as we have begun the process of meeting prospective families and reviewing

applications, numerous parents have commented on the fact that they have discovered All Saints through their online research. With this in mind, we know that maintaining a strong online image is exceedingly important and, this week, we ask for your assistance in this regard.

We encourage you to post reviews on one or more of the prominent sites listed below whenever you feel inspired by your All Saints experience. We do believe that the formation process that we offer combined with the tone and culture of our school are distinct and we invite you to share our story.

- Great Schools
- Google+
- Private School Review
- Yelp
- Facebook

Paul VI Catholic High School – Information Night (March 15th)

All parents are cordially invited to attend an information night hosted by Mrs. Elba Campagna, (Academic Dean) and Mrs. Eileen Hanley (Assistant Principal of Admissions & Student Life) on Thursday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m. in Father Kelley Hall. Plan to attend and learn more about the move to the Loudoun Campus as well as the many diverse academic and extra-curricular programs offered at Paul VI.

Lenten Holy Hour Opportunities - Led by Fr. Noah

Fr. Noah will lead a Lenten holy hour for children on Thursday, March 8 at 4pmin the church. Children (and parents) of all ages are welcome! Meet at the church entrance nearest to the school.

Fr. Noah will lead a Lenten holy hour on Tuesday, March 20 at 7:30pm in the church. Men, women, and children are welcome to attend, as we prepare to celebrate Holy Week.

From the Spirit Events Committee

Our next event is our annual Captain Pell's Spirit Event on Friday, March 16th. You can come any time from 2-10 p.m. Remember to mention All Saints and 10% of the proceeds will be donated to our school. Please see linked below.

13th Annual Race for Education takes place on May 3, 2018

Preparations for this year's *Race for Education* have begun! Thank you to all the parents that volunteered yesterday at the Helping Hands event. Our school mailed 5721 mailers to family and friends to 47 US states, 2 US territories: Guam

& Puerto Rico, and 9 countries: Australia, Canada, France, Ireland, India, Peru, Philippines, United Kingdom, and West Africa. All Saints is covering the globe!

Soon donations will begin to arrive at the school and we are looking for parent volunteers to help with our record keeping process. We will meet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at various times and locations beginning next week throughout the month of April. If you are interested in volunteering any amount of time, please check this HelpCounter link for dates, times and more information: https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/140e99d6da9

For our third year in a row, we are offering a link to donate online to our *Race for Education*. When donating online, please remember to make one donation transaction for all the runners you are sponsoring and use the memo box online to indicate to which runner and classroom you are donating.

Here is the online link: http://allsaintsvaschool.org/parents/pto/race-for-education/

Thank you for your support to making this fundraiser a success!

If you have any questions about this event, please contact the *Race for Education* Coordinators, Mrs. Marjorie Collins, marjorie@ocfmail.com and Mrs. Jeanine Fehrman, iamjea9@gmail.com

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Diocesan Teacher Job Fair (March 10th)

The Diocese of Arlington will host a Teacher Job Fair on Saturday, March 10th from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at Paul VI High School for those interested in learning more about the ministry of Catholic education. For more details about the event, as well as information related to the application process, visit arlingtondiocese.org.

Professional Development Day ~ No School on Monday, March 12th

On Monday, March 12th our teachers will participate in a diocesan-wide day of professional development. For this reason, there will be no classes or Extended Day Program that day.

Open House for 2018-2019 School Year – Tomorrow, March 8th (7:00 p.m.)

Due to the recent high demand, All Saints will host another evening Open House on Thursday, March 8th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Art Room. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our school are cordially invited to attend. Following a presentation by the principal and director of prekindergarten, tours of the facility will be provided. For more information, please contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio, administrative assistant, at (703) 393-1490.

Tuition Assistance Applications for 2018-2019

For information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application

process, please click on the following link: <u>Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program 2018-2019</u>

The deadline for submission of applications and supporting documentation for elementary school families is March 16, 2018.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, March 8th

- Gift of Human Sexuality Middle School Presentation III
- Lenten Holy Hour with Fr. Noah (4:00 p.m.)
- Open House (Art Room/7:00 p.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting To Be Rescheduled

Friday, March 9th

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- 3rd Quarter Interims

Saturday, March 10th

• Diocesan Teacher Job Fair (Paul VI High School/9:00-11:00 a.m.)

Monday, March 12th

Holiday – Diocesan Professional Development Day

Tuesday, March 13th

- SCA Sponsored Pennies for Love Begins
- PTO Executive Board Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, March 14th

- SCA Sponsored St. Patrick's Dress Down Day
- Little Medical School, 3rd Grade

Thursday, March 15th

- Stations of the Cross, Grades K-8 (2:15 p.m.)
- Paul VI High School Information Meeting for Parents (FKH/7:00 p.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, March 16th

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

• FACTS Tuition Assistance Application Deadline

• Spirit Event: Captain Pell's (2:00-10:00 p.m.)

Monday, March 19th

 Peace & Justice Players sponsored "Swoosh for Sisters" Free Throw Competition

Tuesday, March 20th

- Statewide Tornado Drill (9:45 a.m.)
- Lenten Holy Hour with Fr. Noah (7:30 p.m.)

Friday, March 23rd

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, March 24th

- Running with the Saints 5K (8:15 a.m.)
- Diocesan Band Festival (Bishop Ireton High School/8:45 a.m.)

Newsletter Links

- Captain Pells Spirit Event March 16th Flyer
- HelpCounter Volunteer Log-In Opportunities)
 (Sign-Up for Upcoming Stewardship
- Uniform Closet Request Form
- UNIFORM CLOSET GUIDELINE-Updated Jan. 2018
- <u>DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2018-2019</u> Program Information
- FACTS Financial Aid Application Link
- PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE Sign-Up