

The Sentinel

3/14/18

Principal's Message

This week I wish to share with you the news that the Office of Catholic Schools has announced that all elementary schools in our diocese will transition to a trimester system beginning next year. Rather than our current practice of grading and reporting student progress through four quarters, the teachers will assess students over the course of three 12 week trimesters. While this internal change will affect our grading and report card procedures, it will not have any impact on the schedule for the opening and closing of the academic year.

For more details regarding this decision and the rationale for the change, please see the following link for a letter from Dr. Bigelow, Superintendent of Schools:

[Superintendent Letter to Parents RE-Trimester System 2018-2019](#)

I also wish to confirm that our annual Field Day has been scheduled for Thursday, May 31st at Linton Hall School in Bristow. As in the past, the event will begin at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 1:00 p.m. We look forward to a wonderful day of activities and welcome the participation of parent volunteers to assist with the games and food service. Look for additional details regarding these opportunities in the months ahead.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Paul VI Catholic High School Information Night – Tomorrow (FKH/7:00 p.m.)

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.

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 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](#)

Tuition Assistance Applications for 2018-2019 – Due Friday!

For information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please click on the following link: [Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program 2018-2019](#)

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

13th Annual Race for Education

Donations are beginning 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 sign-up and check this HelpCounter link for dates, times and more information: <https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/140e99d6da9>

The link to make online donations to our *Race for Education* is up and running. 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/>

If you have any questions about this event, please contact the *Race for Education* Coordinators, Mrs. Marjorie Collins and Mrs. Jeanine Fehrman at: raceforeducation@allsaintsva.org

Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps

Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps offers 1 week day camps called Camp Broadway, Drama Bootcamp, Arts & Crafts Fun Camp, and Art Explorer Camp this July at All Saints in Manassas and the Church of the Nativity in Burke. Older Teens will enjoy advanced level training in Acting, Dance, Music, and Art while younger kids will be introduced to wonderful new activities through drama and art. Students are split by age group and placed in small classes to maximize instruction. All teachers are masters of their subject and are strong Catholics. This is truly a unique opportunity. See www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com to learn more!

6th Annual Indoor Yard Sale

Please join us for our 6th Annual Indoor Yard Sale, sponsored by MARCH homeschool group and K of C Squire Roses to benefit local pro-life charities on **Saturday, April 7, from 7am-12 noon** inside the Knights of Columbus Hall, [9290 Stonewall Rd, Manassas](http://www.9290StonewallRd.com) (next to All Saints). Maternity, infant, child, teen, and adult clothing, shoes, baby equipment, furniture, toys, books, housewares, tools, and more will be priced to sell! We will gratefully accept donated items from parishioners and all of those who want to support the pro-life cause. Please contact Mary Lewandowski, res19qf7@verizon.net or at [703-335-7471](tel:703-335-7471) or Kelley Witter, kellywitter@yahoo.com or at [703-257-5619](tel:703-257-5619) for more information. Any remaining merchandise will be donated to a charitable organization.

Upcoming Events

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.)

Wednesday, March 21st

- Lenten Soup Supper hosted by the PTO (PAC/5:00 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.)

Monday, March 26th

- 8th Grade Graduation Meeting for Parents (FKH/7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, March 28th

- Little Medical School

Thursday, March 29th

- Holy Thursday
- Prayer Service (9:30 a.m.)
- 7th Grade Passion Play (10:45 a.m.)
- Noon Dismissal

Friday, March 30th

- Holiday – Good Friday

Newsletter Links

- [Superintendent Letter to Parents RE-Trimester System 2018-2019](#)
- [Captain Pells Spirit Event March 16th Flyer](#)
- [HelpCounter Volunteer Log-In](#) (Sign-Up for Upcoming Stewardship Opportunities)
- [Uniform Closet Request Form](#)
- [UNIFORM CLOSET GUIDELINE-Updated Jan. 2018](#)

- [DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2018-2019](#) - Program Information
- [FACTS Financial Aid Application Link](#)
- [PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE - Sign-Up](#)