The Sentinel

April 25, 2018

Principal's Message

The **13**th **Annual Race for Education** is now only one week away. On Thursday, May 3rd the entire school will participate in this event that will raise funds to support PTO initiatives, including field trip subsidies and classroom funding. Additionally, 10% of all proceeds will be donated to St. Jude Childrens' Research Hospital.

By way of this letter we wish to extend an invitation for you to come out and watch your child(ren) walk or jog on Thursday, May 3rd. The following is the schedule for this special event:

Grades Pre-K, K, 1 & 2	8:45a.m. to 9:45 a.m.
Grade 3 - 5	10:15a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
Grades PreK3 & 6-8	1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

There are many opportunities to earn shares by volunteering on Race Day. All of the volunteer opportunities can be done while you are cheering on your child. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up on our HelpCounter link at: <u>https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/140e99d6da9</u>

Parent volunteers meet weekly to process race donations. Our total for donations for this year's *Race for Education* as of today is \$26,316.81.

If you have any questions about our *Race for Education,* please contact Mrs. Marjorie Collins at: <u>marjorie@ocfmail.com</u>

We hope that many of you will be able to join us for a wonderful day of fun and fellowship!

FACTS Enrollment & Tuition Assistance Update

As we make plans for the upcoming year, one of our priorities is that of continuing to provide as much tuition assistance as possible for families in our community. Through the generous and on-going support of our parish and the diocese, we have been able to provide financial aid totaling more than \$300,000 for the 2017-2018 academic year.

In an effort to secure as much financial support as possible for our community, we will be submitting applications on behalf of our school families for funding through the *Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation* and the *St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance Program* (Note: Applications for these two distinct programs have been

completed by school personnel and require no additional paperwork on the part of individual families.)

Diocesan allocations related to all of these sources of tuition assistance will be confirmed in the weeks ahead. Once these recommendations are received, final decisions regarding tuition assistance for our families will be determined. <u>Notification of tuition assistance funding for those who have applied will take place mid-May</u>. The FACTS re-enrollment process for 2018-2019 and selection of online tuition payment plans will also occur during May with June 8th being the deadline for payment in full with a 2% discount.

Should you have any questions about this process or if we can be of assistance in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Band Concert – Rescheduled (May 29th)

Due to the Confirmation Rehearsal that will be taking place on May 15th, the Spring Band Concert has been rescheduled for Tuesday, May 29th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. The concert for students will still occur on May 15th at 2:00 p.m.

Stewardship Shares Program ~ Year End Totals

One of the hallmarks of our school community is the high level of parent involvement that has helped the school achieve many goals in recent years. Again this year each family at All Saints has been asked to earn 25 Stewardship Shares. Those who are unable to do so are asked to submit a check at the conclusion of the year for any outstanding "shares" that remain. (1 share = \$20.00) As we begin the fourth quarter, parents are reminded to update their "shares total" online so that the database accurately reflects their contributions over the course of the entire year.

At the beginning of May, the office will issue individualized letters to each family, confirming the number of shares reflected in the school database. For this reason, we ask that those families who have not recently updated their totals to do so by Friday, May 4th.

Important Dates & Holidays for 2018-2019

August 27 th	First Day of School (Noon Dismissal)
September 3 rd	Labor Day Holiday
October 8 th	Columbus Day Holiday
October 26 th	Professional Development Day (No School)
November 12 th	Veterans' Day Holiday (No School)
	Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 13 th	Noon Dismissal
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November 20 th	Noon Dismissal for Thanksgiving
November 21 st – 23 rd	Thanksgiving Holiday
November 30 th	Noon Dismissal – Teacher Work Day (Trimester I)
December 24 th	Christmas Holiday Begins
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January 3 rd	Classes Resume
January 21 st	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
February 18 th	Presidents' Day Holiday
March 8 th	Noon Dismissal – Teacher Work Day (Trimester II)
March 11 th	Professional Development Day (No School)
April 18 th	Holy Thursday (Noon Dismissal)
April 19 th	Good Friday Holiday
April 22 nd	Easter Week Holiday
May 27 th	Memorial Day Holiday
June 13 th	Last Day for Grades 1-7 (Tentative - 3 Make-Up Days Included)

Bethany Food Pantry Collection

Our theme for the April food pantry collection is *"Fishes and Loaves"*. On Thursday, April 26, students are invited to bring in canned tuna and seafood, along with bread, muffin or biscuit mix. Items should be able to maintain shelf life and not require refrigeration. Collection of these items will occur in the breezeway during morning arrival after which students from the National Junior Honor Society will then deliver items to the food pantry.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

End of Year Calendar & Events

Thursday, May 31 st	Field Day – Grades K-8
	(Linton Hall School/9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)
Friday, June 1 st	Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten
Friday, June 8 th	8 th Grade Graduation (4:00 p.m.)
	Note: Noon Dismissal for Grades K-7
Thursday, June 14 th	Kindergarten Luau
Friday, June 15 th	Kindergarten Graduation (10:00 a.m.)
Tuesday, June 19 th	Final Day of School for Students in Grades 1-7 (11:00 a.m. Dismissal)

Race for Education – Prize Cards

Students who earned "Dress Down Day" prize cards through the *Race for Education* may redeem them on the following days.

Tuesday, May 1st Wednesday, May 9th Thursday, May 17th Wednesday, May 23rd Wednesday, May 30th

Kindergarten Openings for 2018-2019

A select number of openings are still available in the Kindergarten Program for the 2018-2019 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 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!

Parish Festival Cake Walk 2018

The All Saints Parish Festival is right around the corner! We would like to remind you that Cake Walk donations will be accepted Thursday, April 26thduring carpool and may be dropped off in either the front or back carpool areas. If you are unable to drop off during carpool, you may even bring cakes during the festival hours. You will earn stewardship shares for your donations or by volunteering your time to the festival. Just go to the <u>HelpCounter Volunteer Log-In</u> and sign up. Hope to see you there!

Skate-n-Fun Zone Spirit Event

Our next Skate-n-Fun Zone Spirit Event will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. The cost for admission is \$8.00 per person; 3 and under are free. This price includes skate rental, one token note, a slice of pizza and a small drink. There is also laser tag for \$4.00 per person. The play zone is included for anyone 48in or under. We look forward to seeing you there!

Upcoming Events

Thursday, April 26th

- NJHS Food Pantry Collection "Loaves & Fishes"
- ACRE Religion Test 5th & 8th Grades
- National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony (PAC/1:30 p.m.)
- Extended Day Relocated to Art Room & Music Room for afternoon session to allow for Parish Festival Set-Up
- Spirit Event: Skate N' Fun Zone (6:30 8:30 p.m.)

Friday, April 27th

- Holiday Parish Festival Prep Day
- Parish Festival

Saturday, April 28th

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Monday, April 30th

- Kindergarten Screening (No Pre-K or Kindergarten Classes)
- Spirit Event: Bounce Mania (10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 1st

• Race for Education – Dress Down Day Option

Wednesday, May 2nd

- Little Veterinarian School 4th Grade (3:00 p.m.)
- First Communion Practice (PAC/6:00 p.m.)

Thursday, May 3rd

- 13th Annual Race for Education
- Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, May 4th

- School Mass & May Crowning (8:30 a.m.)
- First Communion & Graduation Photos (9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, May 5th

• First Communion (10:00 a.m.)

Newsletter Links

- <u>Skate-n-Fun Zone Spirit Event Flyer</u>
- Pre-K & K Bouncemania Flyer
- <u>All Saints Parish Festival Silent Auction</u>
- Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps <u>www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com</u>
- <u>HelpCounter Volunteer Log-In</u> (Sign-Up for Upcoming Stewardship Opportunities)
- Uniform Closet Request Form
- UNIFORM CLOSET GUIDELINE-Updated Jan. 2018
- PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE Sign-Up