

The Sentinel

May 16, 2018

Principal's Message

This week we are celebrating Kindness Week at All Saints, an opportunity to encourage our students to be aware of the needs of those around them and to respond with thoughtfulness and compassion. While in prior years we have focused on promoting a message of anti-bullying, our Ambassadors decided to take a different approach this year, one that places priority on students being intentional in making the right choices to support one another.

This concept was introduced to the students at a school-wide assembly held last Friday in the Parish Activity Center. I want to thank Mrs. Slater, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Perez, Mrs. DeVore and the many committee members, volunteers and students who worked diligently to prepare such an engaging presentation for our children.

One of the highlights of the event was a video that our staff and students produced for this occasion. Filled with positive messaging and thoughtful examples, it is heartfelt and inspiring. I am grateful to our students and staff for creating such a wonderful presentation and so very proud of their initiative.

[Spread Kindness Like Confetti Video](#)

Our activities this week are focused around the theme: *Spread Kindness like Confetti*. As you visit the school, be sure to look for examples of kindness in action as reflected on our "Kindness Tree" and other bulletin board displays.

Ask your children how they are spreading kindness like confetti this week. This could be a wonderful conversation starter around the dinner table and an opportunity to reinforce this virtue for our children.

Look for future updates related to many more kindness activities for 2018-2019 as we extend the theme into next school year.

Spread Kindness like Confetti!

Battle of the Books – 2nd Place Winners!

Congratulations to the Battle of the Books team for winning 1st place in the written round and second place overall in yesterday's diocesan event. Competing against twenty-four schools in our diocese, our students excelled at recalling key facts from the fifteen books that they read and discussed over the course of the year. Thank you Mrs. Coyle and Mrs. Keenan for your great leadership of our team and for guiding their preparations for the annual event.

Employment Opportunities for 2018-2019

All Saints Catholic School is now accepting applications for the following positions for the 2018-2019 school year.

Extended Day Assistants – Part Time

Cafeteria Bookkeeper/Kitchen Assistant – Full Time

Those interested in learning more are invited to request an application at the front office or contact the principal for more information. (703-368-4400)

All Saints Vacation Bible School: SonRise National Park!

Vacation Bible School at All Saints is June 25 - June 29. **As kids explore SonRise National Park VBS, they'll learn the most important survival skill of all: they can always depend on Jesus!**

Children who are rising kindergartners through rising 5th graders in the 2018-2019 school year may be registered for VBS. Registration is online through Event Smart at <https://allsaintsreligiouseducation.eventsmart.com>. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 6/6/18. The fee is \$50 per child which includes a t-shirt, music CD, crafts, supplies, and snacks.

Sign up to volunteer and experience the VBS with your child! Adult (over the age of 18) volunteers receive a 50% discount on their child's registration fee and a free t-shirt. Please note: adult volunteers with a VBS child must register themselves FIRST in order to receive the child registration discount code. A nursery is available for the young children of volunteers. Contact the RE office at (703) 393-2142 to for more information about the nursery.

Bishop Ireton Summer Camp

Registration is now open for Bishop Ireton's summer camp! This year, we are offering programs in science, athletics, and the arts for students in first through tenth grade -- there is something for everyone! You can find a list of [camps we offer here](#) and [sign-up to register here](#). Our camps run June through August and are staffed by certified teachers or coaches. Come and join us on Cambridge Road for a summer of fun and adventure.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Field Day Flyer & Lunch Order Form

Field Day for K-8 students will take place on Wednesday, May 31st from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on the grounds of Linton Hall School. For additional details about this annual event, including a form for placing lunch orders, please see the link in today's newsletter.

We are still in need of 24 more volunteers to assist with the activities and serving of lunch. If you are available and interested in helping, please note this on your Field Day form or contact Mr. Redman at predman@allsaintsva.org.

Stewardship Shares Program

Thank you to the many families who have updated their Stewardship Shares count online and who have already fulfilled their volunteer requirement for the year. We appreciate your commitment to the mission of our school and value our partnership with you.

Parents who have not yet completed their shares requirement will receive a reminder notification from the office with the request for payment for unfulfilled shares by Friday, June 1st. Should you have any questions about this program or your balance, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Graduation Day – Noon Dismissal (June 8th)

Since 8th Grade Graduation will begin at 4:00 p.m. in the church on Friday, June 8th, school will dismiss at noon that day.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 17th

- Race for Education Dress Down Day Option
- PTO Helping Hands (PAC/9:00 a.m.)
- 1st Grade Reading Celebration

Friday, May 18th

- Band Trip – Busch Gardens
- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Noon Dismissal

Tuesday, May 22nd

- 8th Grade Confirmation (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, May 23rd

- Race for Education Dress Down Day Option
- Student Council Speeches & Election (1:00 p.m.)
- Little Veterinarian School – 4th Grade (3:00 p.m.)

Friday, May 25th

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, May 28th

- Holiday – Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 29th

- Kindergarten Field Trip – Frying Pan Park
- 4th Grade Field Trip – Mount Vernon
- Band Concert (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, May 30th

- Race for Education Dress Down Day Option
- Little Veterinarian School – 4th Grade (3:00 p.m.)
- Talent Show (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Thursday, May 31st

- Field Day (Linton Hall School/9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

(No Extended Day Program)
- Spirit Event: Skate N' Fun Zone (6:30 – 8:30 p.m.)

Friday, June 1st

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten (Dismissal at 11:45 a.m. for PreK)
- Middle School Skate Party (Gym/6:00 – 7:30 p.m.)

Saturday, June 2nd

- Algebra I Exemption Exam

Newsletter Links

- [Field Day Flyer 2018 - Revised](#)
- Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps – www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com
- [HelpCounter Volunteer Log-In](#) (Sign-Up for Upcoming Stewardship Opportunities)
- [Uniform Closet Request Form](#)
- [UNIFORM CLOSET GUIDELINE-Updated Jan. 2018](#)
- [PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE - Sign-Up](#)