The Sentinel

June 13, 2018

Principal's Message

On Friday afternoon families and friends gathered with the 8th Grade Class of 2018 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.

Bruno Family (12 Years) Mangilit Family (13 Years) Yap Family (16 Years) Egan Family (18 Years) Magee Family (19 Years)

As the school year quickly draws to a close, I am reminded of the many blessings of this past year and our wonderful celebration of the 60th anniversary of All Saints Catholic School.

It has been a time to recognize not simply the longevity of our community, but rather the stability of our mission, that of providing our students a beautiful environment of faith formation and academic excellence over the course of many years.

I am, once again, grateful for the example and contributions of the many who have gone before us and who are part of our story. Those who labored during the early years would have never been able to envision the growth and innovation that has taken place. None of it, of course, would have been possible without the generous investment from our parish through the years, the close partnership with parents and the tremendous enthusiasm and dedication of our faculty and staff. Indeed, we have been richly blessed as a community in providing our children the gift of a Catholic education.

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, thank you for choosing All Saints for your family!

Wishing you a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday!

Student Council Election Results

Recently a number of students participated in an election for leadership positions in the Student Council Association for 2018-2019. Congratulations to the following candidates

who were elected by students in grades four through seven.

President
Vice President
Secretary
School Spirit/Publicity
Finance
Health, Safety & Ecology
Religious Activities

Mehek Jamil
Ashleigh Sorbet
Sydney Smith
Ryan McGinnis
Chris Mills
Anna Downes
Luke Tessier

Employment Opportunities for 2018-2019

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

Extended Day Assistants (K-8 Program and the New Pre-K Afternoon Program) – Part Time (Monday - Friday/2:30-6:30 p.m.)

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)

Saint Gabriel Mission

As we are approaching summer, students of the National Junior Honor Society will be conducting a "Summer Fun" drive to benefit the children of the Saint Gabriel Mission.

On Monday, June 18, families are invited to bring in items that children can play with outside (bubbles, sidewalk chalk, buckets and shovels, frisbees, balls, small toys, etc.). These items can be dropped off in the breezeway during morning arrival.

Signs Coordinator Position

Are you looking for an easy way to earn your shares? A Signs Coordinator position has been created. The coordinator will need to be Virtus compliant. When Spirit Events are held or collections are done by the school, signs are placed in the parking lots to notify parents. The Signs Coordinator may either handle everything themselves, i.e. coordinate the signs and put the letters on the boards or may choose to create a committee in which other committee members would come in to organize the letters on the boards. The coordinator will ensure the signs are completed when necessary and notify Mr. Redman to have the patrols put out the signs at the beginning of the day and the end of the day. Please contact either Megan Davies (megandavies1970@gmail.com) or the front office if you are interested in serving in this capacity.

Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps for K-12 at All Saints & Nativity

Spots are filling up for the July 9-13 and July 16-20 daycamps in the Arts. All instructors are Catholics, educators, and experts in their field. Offerings are full day camps plus an afternoon & evening camp session too. There are higher level courses for teens, beginner level for young kids, and everything in between. Camps include CAMP

BROADWAY, ARTS & CRAFTS FUN CAMP, ART EXPLORER CAMP, DRAMA BOOTCAMP, IMPROVISATIONAL COMEDY for TEENS, and SONGWRITING with MARIE MILLER for TEENS!

Go to www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com to learn more and register before the spots fill up!

END OF YEAR INFORMATION

Extended Day Program

Extended Day services will continue through Monday, June 18th.

There will be no Extended Day Program on Tuesday, June 19th. 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.

Report Cards

Report cards and awards will be issued on the final day of school, June 19th. Since the office will have a record of your child's final grades at the close of the year, you may retain these cards.

Medications

All medications must be picked up from the clinic no later than Monday, June 18th. Since students are not authorized to carry medication, parents are asked 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 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 24th.
- 12th Annual Back-to School Barbecue hosted by the PTO Friday, August 24th (5:30-7:30 p.m.)
- First Day of School ~ Noon Dismissal (Grades K-8) Monday, August 27th
- First Day of Pre-Kindergarten Tuesday, September 4th

<u>IMPORTANT REMINDERS</u>

Tuition Assistance Awards

The diocese has recently announced the allocations from the Scholarship Foundation Fund. We anticipate forwarding letters to applicants next week confirming the decisions regarding financial aid status for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Immunization & Health Record Requirements for 2018-2019

To the parents of Pre-K students arriving in the Fall 2018:

It is required that an immunization form be in each student's record by the date of the child's admission. The first day of Pre-K is Tuesday, September 4th, 2018. Immunizations must be recorded and dated on either the Health Department form (MCH 213F or MCH 213G) or a physician's form, include the child's name, and be signed/stamped and dated by a licensed physician, the physician's designee, or an official of a local health department. For all immunizations a child receives after July 1, 2018, 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.pdf

To the parents of Kindergarten students arriving in Fall 2018

A new Physical Exam is necessary, dated less than one year from the time of admission. Kindergarten begins on Monday, August 27th. 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 of 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 14th

- 1st Grade Reading Celebration/Poetry Celebration
- Kindergarten Luau

Friday, June 15th

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Kindergarten Graduation (church/10:00 a.m.)

Monday, June 18th

- Spirit Wear Day (60th Anniversary Shirts and/or Spirit Wear)
- 5th Grade Stepping Up Ceremony (PAC/8:30 a.m.)
- End of Year Class Parties (1:30 p.m.)
- Last Day of Extended Day Program

Tuesday, June 19th

- Final Day of School for Students in Grades 1-7
- Closing of the Year Mass & Awards Ceremony (8:30 a.m.)
 - Cookies in the Courtyard for Parents (10:00 11:00 a.m.)
- Final Dismissal (11:00 a.m.)
 - No Extended Day Program

Wednesday, June 20th

Teacher Work Day

Thursday, June 21st

Teacher Work Day

Newsletter Links

- 2018-2019 School Supply Lists
- HelpCounter Volunteer Log-In
- Uniform Closet Request Form
- UNIFORM CLOSET GUIDELINE-Updated Jan. 2018