The Sentinel

February 13, 2019

Principal's Message

With the recent closures and delays due to inclement weather, I know that many are beginning to wonder just how this will impact our school calendar.

With three "make-up days" already included in our academic calendar, the final day of school remains Thursday, June 13th. I do not believe at this time that it will be necessary for us to add additional days to fulfill instructional requirements. However, with the potential for more winter weather ahead, this could change in the event that school is cancelled for more than several additional days. I will continue to keep you updated regarding any changes to our school calendar as information becomes available. In the meantime, let us pray for a quick transition to spring!

Catholic Cup Competition

Congratulations to the following students who represented their classes in the Catholic Cup Competition and to Anthony Olivera, our school champion, and Camden Short, our runner-up. The event was a wonderful display of our students' knowledge and enthusiasm for our Catholic faith!

Dominic Brown (4A)

Kyleigh Fifield (4B)

Mikayla Slaiby (5A)

Andrew Horgan (5B)

Savanna Loy (6A)

Evan Rodriguez (6B)

Anna Downes (7A)

Camden Short (7B)

Luke Tessier (8A)

Anthony Olivera (8B)

National Geography Bee - 3rd Place Winner Confirmed

Due to the time constraints of the school-wide National Geography Bee, it was not possible to determine the third place winner on the day of the event. Through a follow

up competition held last week, we are pleased to announce that Krysta Drone (8th Grade) won 3rd place for our school. Congratulations, Krysta!

PTO General Assembly Meeting – "Education Planning Night" (February 28th)

Plan to join us on February 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center for what promises to be an informative and helpful presentation for parents on the topic of financial planning. Ms. Jacqui Hanson and Mr. Christopher McAllister, Prudential Advisors, will address the challenges that families face when saving for education, the pros and cons of various payment strategies, how to best position yourself for financial aid and how to reduce your tuition costs by having a coordinated tax deduction strategy. All school parents, parishioners and friends are welcome to attend!

New Student Application Deadline

If you are interested in enrolling another child from your family and have not yet requested forms, please contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio at 703-393-1490 or schooloffice@allsaintsva.org. Application forms for new students are due by this Friday, February 15th.

Strep Throat Notice from the School Nurse

We have had a number of Strep throat cases identified in various classes from PK-middle school. Our teachers have been very diligent about handwashing and cleaning surfaces. However, Strep Throat is very contagious. Anybody can get it, but most infections occur within school-age children and teens during the school year when they are in close quarters.

The bacteria tends to hang out in the nose and throat; so normal sneezing, coughing, or shaking hands can easily spread infection from one person to another. Students whose strep throat is not treated are more likely to spread the infection when their symptoms are most severe, but can still infect others for up to 3 weeks. It is very important to check with your doctor if there are any symptoms present. It will help lessen the severity and decrease the chances of spreading it to others. Thank you for your support as we try to keep everyone as healthy as possible during their school day.

For more info on Strep: https://www.cdc.gov/groupastrep/diseases-public/strep-throat.html

Important Reminders

Re-Registration Forms (2019-2020) - Past Due!

Re-registration forms for the upcoming academic year were due last Wednesday. Please note that all forms submitted after this date require a \$25.00 late fee.

Employment Opportunity – Long-Term Substitute Teacher

All Saints Catholic School is seeking a long-term substitute teacher for the Pre-Kindergarten program beginning in April when Mrs. Parriott will be out on maternity leave. This is a wonderful opportunity for those wishing to support the mission of Catholic education and those who might be seeking a full-time faculty position in our parish school. Candidates interested in learning more about the position or who wish to apply are invited to contact the principal at dconroy@allsaintsva.org.

Tuition Assistance

The online application for tuition assistance through FACTS for the upcoming year is now available. For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please see the following

link: https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3Q327

Elementary School Deadline – March 15, 2019

Should you have any questions about the application process or tuition assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio, Administrative Assistant, at 703-393-1490 or jdeugenio@allsaintsva.org.

Operation Helping Hands

Operation Helping Hands is in need of volunteers and donations on Thursday March 7th. The event is held from 9-3 in the PAC we will be working to prepare for the Race for Education. This is a fantastic way earn shares. Volunteers do NOT need to be VIRTUS complaint, younger siblings are welcome, and you're welcome to stay for the entire event or just to pop in as your schedule permits. If you have any questions about the event please contact either Floribel Fleisig at ffleisig@hotmail.com or Sarah Roccograndi@gmail.com. Please visit HelpCounter to sign-up.

Thank you!

Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 14th

Valentine's Day Parties (K-5)

Friday, February 15th

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Spelling Bee (PAC/1:30 p.m.)
- Deadline: New Student Applications

Monday, February 18th

- Holiday Presidents' Day
- Spirit Event: Chuck E. Cheese

Tuesday, February 19th

Picture Day – Teams, Clubs & Candids (Rescheduled)

Wednesday, February 20th

• Little Medical School – 3rd Grade

Thursday, February 21st

• Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, February 22nd

• School Mass – Chair of St. Peter (8:30 a.m.)

Tuesday, February 26th

Spirit Event: Skate N' Fun Zone (6:30 p.m.)

Wednesday, February 27th

- SCA Sponsored Dress Down Day (American Heart Association)
- Little Medical School (3rd Grade)
- Middle School Talent Show Auditions (3:00-5:00 p.m.)

Thursday, February 28th

- Deadline: Race for Education Mailers Due
- PTO General Assembly Meeting "Education Planning", sponsored by Prudential (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, March 1st

• School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Newsletter Links

- 2018-19 Annual Fund
- HelpCounter Sign-Up
- Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program Sign Up