The Sentinel

February 27, 2019

Principal's Message

Thank you to those parents who participated in the *Net Promoter Survey* prior to the Christmas holiday. We are grateful that so many responded and provided meaningful feedback regarding their level of satisfaction with their experience of All Saints Catholic School.

We have compiled all of the data and through discussion with the faculty and staff will be creating an action plan. Due to the recent inclement weather cancellations and the need to reschedule meetings, our efforts in this regard have been delayed. Nevertheless, know that we will be discussing the results next week and sharing survey highlights shortly thereafter. Again, many thanks to those parents who contributed to this process.

Virtues in Practice - March

Virtue of the Month: Respect

Definition: Recognizing the dignity of all people.

Saints: St. Jeanne Jugan (Gr. PK-2), St. Damien of Molokai (Gr. 3-5), St. John Paull II

(Gr. 6-8)

Lunch Menu Change for Tomorrow 2/28/2019

The cafeteria will be serving Pepperoni Pizza instead of Cheese Pizza Sticks tomorrow.

The lunch for tomorrow will be:

Pepperoni Pizza

OR Fresh Made Tuna Salad on Wheat Pita

Celery & Carrot Sticks w/ Dip Tropical Fruit.

Kindness message

As part of our "Year of Kindness", we will continue with Kindness to Community. Our focus is now on community helpers. The school will be adopting the City of Manassas Police Department and all grades will participate in showing our gratitude and appreciation for everything they do for our community. The classes will all participate in

different aspects of a gift to the police department. At home you can talk with your children about all the helpers in our community and how you can show kindness to them.

Also, our kindness to community "confetti house" is touring the classrooms this week. The students will fill it with kindness confetti that represents all the different "kindness to community" activities they have done in December, January and February (i.e. food pantry donations, toy drive). It has been great to see all the different ways the students have given back to the community.

Yearbook Order

Celebrate the year at All Saints Catholic School with your own copy of the 2018-19 yearbook! The cost for each yearbook is \$22 and all orders must be placed online.

Here is the information you will need to order an All Saints 2018-2019 Yearbook:

- Please visit the following website to order online: www.ybpay.com
- The All Saints school code is 13273519.

The deadline to order a 2018-2019 yearbook is April 12, 2019.

Spotlight on the Arts

Spotlight on the Arts Summer Day Camps have been offered within the Arlington Diocese for families seeking excellence in Theatre and Art education within a Catholic environment for the past 15 years. Drama Bootcamp introduces Improvisational Comedy, Acting, Movement, and Theatre Games to rising grades 1st-9th. Broadway Spotlight offers daily instruction to rising 4th-12th graders in Singing, Dance, Acting, and Production leading to a final showcase. Arts & Crafts Fun engages our youngest campers in creative projects intended to teach new skills in a fun and supportive environment. Art Explorer challenges older students who seek to develop greater skills with more elaborate projects and instruction. Professional Catholic Performing Artists offers the Marie Miller Songwriting Workshop plus teens can learn all about comedy at the Fools' Improvisational Intensive. All instructors are Professional Teachers who have extensive backgrounds in their fields. Teacher Biographies can be seen here: http://www.spotlightsummercamps.com/staff/ Early Bird Discounts are offered currently in addition to larger family discounts as well. Camp Registration and more information can be found at www.spotlightSummerCamps.com.

PTO BINGO - SATURDAY MARCH 16

The PTO is sponsoring a family friendly Bingo Night on Saturday, March 16 starting at 5pm. Bingo, Pizza & Prizes. Pre-Orders are encouraged. Please see flyer linked at

the end of today's newsletter.

Important Reminders

<u>PTO General Assembly Meeting – "Education Planning Night" (Tomorrow/7:00 p.m.)</u>

Plan to join us tomorrow 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!

Diocesan Teacher Job Fair - Saturday, March 9th

Each spring the Diocese of Arlington hosts a *Teacher Job Fair* for those interested in learning more about the ministry of Catholic education. This year the event will take place on Saturday, March 9th from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul VI Catholic High School in Fairfax.

If you're interested in further exploring how you might share your gifts within our diocesan school community, plan to attend this upcoming event. For more details about the Teacher Job Fair, as well as information related to the application process, visit <u>arlingtondiocese.org</u>.

Professional Development Day (No School) - Monday, March 11th

On Monday, March 11th our teachers will participate in a diocesan-wide day of professional development. For this reason, there will be no classes or Extended Day Program that day.

Open House for 2019-2020 School Year (Thursday, March 14th/7:00 p.m.)

In response to demand, All Saints will host an evening Open House on Thursday, March 14th beginning at 7:00 p.m. All parishioners and members of the community interested in learning more about our school are cordially invited to attend. Following a presentation by the principal, tours of the facility will be provided. For more information, please contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio, administrative assistant, at (703) 393-1490.

<u>Employment Opportunity – Long-Term Substitute Teacher</u>

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.

Annual Fund - Help Us Reach 100%

We have now reached 75% of our 2018-2019 Annual Fund campaign goal. **If we attain 100% of our goal,** the Robotics proceeds will be used to introduce Robotics in our elementary grades AND expand our current middle school program.

<u>Find out details about our Robotics expansion</u> and learn how you can make an <u>online donation</u> to our Annual Fund today!

Thursday, February 28th

 PTO General Assembly Meeting – "Education Planning", sponsored by Prudential (PAC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, March 1st

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration Buddy Reading Activity & Crazy Hat Day

Monday, March 4th

• Middle School Talent Show Auditions (Music Room/3:00-5:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, March 5th

- "Go Forth: Called and Chosen" (Diocesan 8th Grade Vocations Mass)

 Cafeteria Closed/Brown Bag Lunch Day
- "Farewell to the Alleluia" Prayer Service (PAC/2:30 p.m.)
- PTO Board Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, March 6th

- Ash Wednesday Mass (10:00 a.m.)
- Little Medical School 3rd Grade

Thursday, March 7th

- PTO Helping Hands (PAC/9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m.)
- Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)
- Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)
- Title I Parent Workshop (Science Lab/7:00 p.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, March 8th

- Middle School Demerit Free Celebration (10:00 a.m.)
- End of Trimester II
- Noon Dismissal Teacher Work Day (Report Cards)

Saturday, March 9th

- Diocesan Teacher Job Fair (PVI High School/9:00-11:00 a.m.)
- Robotics Team Competition

Monday, March 11th

• Professional Development Day - No Classes or Extended Day

Wednesday, March 13th

- SCA Sponsored Dress Down Day to Benefit St. Gabriel Mission
- Little Medical School (3rd Grade) & Little Veterinarian School (4th Grade)

Thursday, March 14th

- Stations of the Cross Grades K-2 (2:15 p.m.)
- Open House (7:00 p.m.)

Friday, March 15th

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- Tuition Assistance Application Deadline

Saturday, March 16th

• PTO Bingo (PAC/5:00 p.m.)

Newsletter Links

- Yearbook: www.ybpay.com All Saints school code is 13273519
- Bingo Flyer 2019
- Spotlight On the Arts Summer Day Camps 2019 Brochure
- Bishop Ireton Theatre Arts Presents Musical Comedy CURTAINS
- 2018-19 Annual Fund
- HelpCounter Sign-Up
- Pilgrim Virgin Statue Program Sign Up