The Sentinel Newsletter

February 9, 2022

Principal's Message

This week I am pleased to share with you that the 4th Grade at All Saints Catholic School has been selected to represent private schools across the nation by participating in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) on February 14. NAEP is the largest assessment of what students in public and private schools know and can do in various subjects, and is different from state and school assessments because it provides a common measure of student achievement across the country. It is administered by the National Center for Education Statistics, within the U.S. Department of Education. The results will be released as The Nation's Report Card, which provides information about student achievement to educators, parents, policymakers, and the public. We congratulate our 4th grade students on this opportunity and wish them every success and blessing as they complete this assessment.

As we are now in the middle of "enrollment season," I wish to take a moment to highlight the value of the Catholic education that your children receive at All Saints.

Each year the parish contributes a significant annual investment to help finance the operation of the school and also funds the salaries of parish staff members who support our mission. Because of this strong commitment, All Saints Catholic School is able to offer tuition rates that are considerably less than the actual per child cost of \$7,330 for the 2022-2023 year.

A comparison of the actual cost (per child) vs. tuition rates (in-parish) follows below.

	Actual Cost	In-Parish	
1 Child	\$7,330	\$6,727	
2 Children	\$14,660	\$10,966	
3 Children	\$21,990	\$14,938	
4 Children	\$29,320	\$18,907	

We are grateful to Fr. Lee, our pastor, for his support and for the generosity of our parish which together have helped to make the gift of a Catholic education more affordable for the children in our community.

Señor, te agradezco por tu amor misericordioso y por tu fidelidad

Continuous Enrollment Program

Parents are reminded to sign and return the Continuous Enrollment Contract by <u>February 25.</u> Through completion of this form, you will continuously enroll your child/ren through 8th grade from All Saints or, if necessary, until such time that you complete the withdrawal process. With submission of this contract, there will be no need for future completion of an annual re-registration form.

After signing the contract, the Continuous Enrollment Fee, formerly known as the Re-Registration Fee, will automatically be billed to your FACTS account on March 1, 2022. The completion of the Contract and payment of Fee confirms enrollment for your child/ren for the upcoming school year.

Please note that failure to complete the Continuous Enrollment Contract by the deadline of February 25 may result in a space not being reserved for a child for the upcoming school year.

Should you have any questions about our new Continuous Enrollment system, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Mary Rodriguez at mrodriguez@allsaintsva.org. We would be happy to provide assistance as we implement this seamless process by which you and your children will continue being part of the All Saints Catholic School family.

Diocesan Teacher Job Fair – February 12 (Zoom/9:00 – 11:00 a.m.)

Each year 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, February 12 via Zoom from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Diocesan Teacher Job Fair

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 information about employment in the diocese, please see the following link:

Careers in Catholic Education

Catholic Cup Competition Results

All Saints students gathered last week to test their knowledge of the Catholic faith in the school's 11th Annual Catholic Cup. The following winners of classroom competitions from grades 4-8 advanced to the final round of the Catholic Cup, an academic-style competition with questions related to Catholic theology and teaching.

- Patrick Y. (4A)
- Charlie M. (4A Alternate)
- Noah P. (4B)
- Molly C. (4B Alternate)
- Jackson W. (5A)
- Declan J. (5A Alternate)
- Jackson D. (5B)
- Keira R. (5B Alternate)
- Addison C. (6A)
- Bryan C. (6A Alternate)
- Anastasia D. (6B)
- Gabrielle P. (6B Alternate)
- Peter L. (7A)
- RJ K. (7A Alternate)
- Annie T. (7B)
- Ella H. (7B Alternate)
- Josephine C. (8A)
- Julia F. (8A Alternate)
- Julianna A. (8B)
- Grace A. (8B Alternate)

Congratulations to our 2022 Catholic Cup winner Julianna A. and to our first runner-up, Josie C.

We thank Fr. Lee, Mr. Carlos Artieda (Assistant Director of Youth Ministry), Mrs. Bill, and Mrs. Perez for serving as judges. We also thank Mrs. Renee White, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, for representing the diocesan Office of Catholic Schools at the competition and Mr. Tessier and Mrs. Bill for serving as coordinators. This uplifting event provided a wonderful way for all of our students, those directly participating and those in the audience, to celebrate their knowledge of our Catholic faith.

7th Grade Science Fair Results

Last week our 7th grade students competed in the annual Science Fair held in the Parish Activities Center. We are very proud of our students and grateful for the dedication of Mrs. Starrs who taught them the scientific process and how to manage a long-term project and to Mrs. Crocker who helped to coordinate many of the logistics surrounding the event.

Congratulations to the winners of the 2022 Science Fair as shown on the following page.

Overall Science Fair Winner	First Place	Lucas T.	How do Aerodynamics affect a Paper Airplane?
Overall Science Fair Winner	Second Place	Evelyn R.	Flying T's- The Effect of Golf Tees on a Golf Drive Distance
Overall Science Fair Winner	Third Place	Anne T.	Musical Eggs- The Effect of Music on Hen's Egg Production

Animal Sciences	First Place	Anne T.	Musical Eggs- The Effect of Music on Hens' Egg Production
Behavioral and Social Sciences	Third Place	Gabriel P.	Does Noise affect Concentration?
Behavioral and Social Sciences	Second Place	Jack S.	The Effects of Video Games and the Cognitive Psychology Repercussions on IQ
Behavioral and Social Sciences	First Place	Juliana P.	Are Children's Test Performances Affected by Unhealthy Foods?
Biomedical and Health Sciences	First Place	Lionel M.	The Effect of Weights on Running Speed
Chemistry	Third Place	Serafima M.	The Effect of Various Substances on the pH of Water
Chemistry	Second Place	Peter L.	Moldy Bread Banquet
Chemistry	First Place	Sophia L.	Unconventional Balloon
Earth and Environmental Sciences	Third Place	Eilene S.	Growing Crystals with Different Solutions
Earth and Environmental Sciences	Second Place	Simone R.	Hot and Cold
Earth and Environmental Sciences	First Place	Isabella H.	Light Crystals
Energy, Sustainable Materials and Design	Third Place	Marco R.	Fruits and Magnets
Energy, Sustainable Materials and Design	Second Place	Kaylani M.	Boom Boom Potato- How do Potatoes affect a Voltmeter?
Energy, Sustainable Materials and Design	First Place	Breydon P.	The Effect of Battery Voltage on the Brightness of Circuit Tester
Engineering Technology: Statics and Dynamics	Second Place	Ella H.	The impact of Water Filters on Sediment Pollution
Engineering Technology: Statics and Dynamics	First Place	Harold R. K.	Houston We Have a Problem- How the Shape of a Rocket's Fins affects its travel
Materials Science	Third Place	Dominic S.	Touchdown! How Temperature affects a Football's Air Pressure
Materials Science	Second Place	Jason A.	How does a Coat's insulation affect how much He it retains?
Materials Science	First Place	Peter H.	Chill Out
Physics and Astronomy	Third Place	Anthony I.	The Effect of Boiling Different Liquids on an Egg Shell's Durability
Physics and Astronomy	Second Place	Lucas T.	How do Aerodynamics affect a Paper Airplane?
Physics and Astronomy	First Place	Evelyn R.	Flying T's- The Effect of Golf Tees on a Golf Drive Distance
Plant Sciences	Third Place	Daniela V.	What is the affect of Sugar Solution on Plant Growth?
Plant Sciences	Second Place	Lauren B.	The Effect of Salt Water on Plants
Plant Sciences	First Place	lulio S	Which H2O makes them grow?

Important Reminders

Employment Opportunities (Long-Term & On-Call Substitute Teachers)

All Saints Catholic School is now seeking a long-term substitute teacher for 6th grade religion and 1st-2nd grade Spanish. The position is part-time from approximately 12:00 – 3:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and will begin late February and extend through late May, the time during which Mrs. Perez will be on leave.

The school is also seeking additional on-call substitute teachers at this time.

For more information about these positions or to apply, please contact the principal at dconroy@allsaintsva.org.

Volunteer Opportunity – Translators

Through our partnership with the Crimsonbridge Foundation, we have launched an initiative of increasing the effectiveness of our communication with the Hispanic community of All Saints and St. Gabriel Mission. We are grateful for the dedication and commitment of Ms. China Briceno, who is serving in the role of liaison and who has been providing translation services for the school on a weekly basis.

As we further expand our effort with the goal of ensuring that all written communications are presented in a bi-lingual format, we are seeking several parent volunteers who wish to serve as translators. These volunteers will assist with the translation of large documents as well as shorter weekly/daily communications.

Candidates must be proficient in English and Spanish and possess a strong writing ability. Since the volunteer hours may be completed remotely, these positions do not require VIRTUS compliance but remain eligible for Stewardship Shares.

Should you have any questions or wish to inquire further about this volunteer opportunity, please contact Mrs. Mary Rodriguez, Administrative Assistant, at mrodriguez@allsaintsva.org.

Applications for 2022-2023

Applications for new students for academic year 2022-2023 are now available online. All current families who wish to enroll a *new student* in grades Pre-Kindergarten through eight for the upcoming year may access the application at the following link.

https://allsaintsvaschool.org/admissions/how-to-apply/

FACTS Tuition Assistance Applications 2022-2023

The online application for tuition assistance through FACTS Grant & Aid for the upcoming school year is now available. For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please see the links below.

Tuition Assistance

High Schools (early verification)- January 19, 2022

- 2020 tax returns and W-2s are required for early verification by FACTS
- 2021 tax returns and W-2s will be required for applications submitted after January 19, 2022

Elementary Schools- March 16, 2022

• 2021 tax returns and W-2s are required for verification by FACTS

Should you have any questions about the application process or tuition assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Diana Neri, Office Bookkeeper, at 703-368-4400 or vneri@allsaintsva.org.

Running With the Saints 5K

REGISTRATION IS OPEN! Please join us for the RWTS 5K on Saturday March 19th. Simply register online using this link:

https://racewire.com/register.php?id=12665

We are also in need of SPONSORS! The race is only a success with the support of our Sponsors. If you are interested in sponsoring our 5K please see link below or contact Susan Loving or Joan Coleman.

RUNNING WITH THE SAINTS FLYER

John Paul the Great Mardi Gras Gala (Active through February 25, 2022)

Saturday, February 26, 2022

You are invited to Saint John Paul the Great's Mardi Gras Gala on Saturday, February 26! This year's gala will be hosted at the historic Bel Air 1740, a beautiful colonial estate once visited by George and Martha Washington! For tickets, sponsorships and donation opportunities,

Please visit: https://jpthegreat.schoolauction.net/gala2022/.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, February 10

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

Friday, February 11

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, February 12

Diocesan Job Fair (Zoom/9:00 – 11:00 a.m.) First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade (10:00 a.m.)

Tuesday, February 15

Gift of Human Sexuality Class #2 - Middle School

Friday, February 18

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
Spelling Bee (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

Monday, February 21

Holiday (Presidents' Day)

Tuesday, February 22

Gift of Human Sexuality Class #3 – Middle School PTO General Assembly Meeting (Zoom/7:00 p.m.)

Thursday, February 24

Spirit Event: Chuck E. Cheese

Friday, February 25

School Mass (8:30 a.m.)

Tuesday, March 1

Farewell to the Alleluia Prayer Service (PAC/2:30 p.m.) PTO Executive Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, March 2

Ash Wednesday School Mass (10:00 a.m.)

Thursday, March 3

Open House (PAC/9:00 a.m.) Faculty Meeting (3:30 p.m.)

Monday, March 7

Lenten Penance Service – Grades 3-5 (10:00 a.m.)

Wednesday, March 9

Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)

Thursday, March 10

Stations of the Cross – Grades K-2 (2:15 p.m.) Enrollment Management Team Meeting (Zoom/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, March 11

School Mass (8:30 a.m.) Noon Dismissal (Teacher Report Card Prep) End of Trimester II

Monday, March 14

Diocesan Professional Development Day – No Classes or Extended Day Running with the Saint 5K Art Contest Deadline