

The Sentinel Newsletter

June 1, 2022

Principal's Message

Yesterday we celebrated the success of the Race for Education, our largest fundraiser of the year. I am pleased to share with you that we have received \$33,963 in contributions, exceeding our goal by almost \$1,000. In the week ahead, the PTO will process the paperwork to generate a check for 5% of the proceeds to be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The following is a list of the winners from the 2022 Race for Education.

Grades K – 2: Boys – Brayden D. (2B) – 17 Laps Girls - Ella S. (1A) – 16 Laps

Grades 3 – 5: Boys – Connor P. (5B) – 23 Laps Girls – Rose T. (3A) – 20 Laps

Grades 6 – 8: Boys (Two-Way Tie) – Andrew B. (6A) & Luke K.(7B) – 23 Laps Girls – Anne T. (7B) – 20 Laps

Thank you for your generous support of the Race for Education and for helping to make this fundraiser such a success!

I also wish to thank Mr. Redman, for all that he did to plan and coordinate our Field Day activities, and the many volunteers who guided the students through all of the games. From the opening relay race to the tug of war at the end of the day, there were

many memorable moments for the children. I also want to thank Mrs. Burroughs and Mrs. Ballard, our Race for Education Coordinators, who organized the inflatable obstacle course as a surprise for the students as a way to acknowledge the success of this year's Race. From start to finish, yesterday was a great celebration of another successful year at All Saints!

Senor, te doy gracias por tu amor misericordioso y tu fidelidad

DFE Visiting Team Report - Introduction for Academic Excellence Domain

All Saints Catholic School is an authentically Catholic community, infusing faith and Catholic tradition with educational practice. The Visiting Team was impressed with the robust community and the breadth and scope of the opportunities provided to nurture the minds, bodies, and spirits of the children. All Saints Catholic School has a wonderful family feel to it and enjoys recognition by the parish as a wholly supported ministry. The school is filled with dedicated faculty and staff who seek to partner with parents as the primary educators of their children.

Strong academics are provided by qualified instructors who show a commitment to serving the diverse community. The Leadership Team facilitates structured mentoring of new faculty in order to bring them into the All Saints' family. Professional development is ongoing, and the Visiting Team supports the goal of formally growing Professional Learning Communities in order to enhance teacher collaboration and to better spotlight horizontal and vertical alignment of curriculum and assessments. By successfully partnering with the local public school system, All Saints Catholic School regularly accesses federal funds that directly support not only the academic growth of students, but also the professional growth of faculty.

The school has made both a commitment to and investment of time and treasure to the building of student literacy skills particularly on the primary and intermediate levels. With the goal of developing student abilities in reading, writing, speaking, and listening from the earliest ages, examples of student work grace the common spaces of the school. The maturing of those communication skills are on full display through the middle school years with the vast array of multimedia projects completed as part of core academic subjects. The Visiting Team supports the school's goal of placing this same type of time and attention to the mathematics instruction.

All Saints Catholic School is well on its way to bridging the use of technology in authentic ways coupling its use to academics, as well as to the development of

functional 21st Century skills. The day-to-day use of technology in the classroom is developmentally appropriate for students and is well mastered by faculty. With a wide range of learners, lessons are written to differentiate content in order to meet students where they are and successfully move them forward. Through the use of hands-on activities, teachers create learning environments that are engaging and inviting to students. The school's commitment to academic inclusion is evident not only in the meaningful participation of students with special needs in the classroom, but also in the growing number of students who would benefit from ELL services.

COVID-19 Updates – New Point of Contact

Since Mrs. Snowden completed her employment at All Saints last Friday, Mrs. Karen Pomeroy, our substitute nurse, will now serve as the point of contact for any cases of COVID-19 in the school through the close of the academic year. Should your child or family members experience any symptoms consistent with COVID-19 or receive a positive test result, please contact Mrs. Pomeroy at <u>kpomeroy@allsaintsva.org</u>.

END OF YEAR INFORMATION

Extended Day Program

Extended Day services will continue through Tuesday, June 7.

<u>There will be no Extended Day Program on Wednesday, June 8.</u> All students will dismiss at 11:00 a.m. 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 8. Since the office will have a record of your child's final grades at the close of the year, you may retain these cards.

End of Year Message from the Nurse

Medication pick up will be available the last two days of school. Check in with Mrs. Kruppa before going to the nurse's office to pick up any medication. Any remaining medication will be kept at the front desk for a week and then disposed of, in accordance with diocesan policy. Please remember that any rising 7th Graders will need the mandatory Meningococcal and TDap vaccines for entry to the new year. All rising kindergartners will need a new School Health Entrance Form and immunizations for the new school year.

Forms for the 2022-2023 school year can be found on the Nurse's Page on our website. Please note that forms must be renewed every year.

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 voicemail message 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 19
- 14th Annual Back-to School Barbecue hosted by the PTO Friday, August 19
- First Day of School ~ Noon Dismissal (Grades K-8) Wednesday, August 24
- First Day of Pre-Kindergarten Monday, August 29

Important Reminders

Stewardship Shares Program

Parents who have not yet completed their Stewardship Shares requirement are reminded to submit payment for any unearned shares by Friday, June 3. Should you have any questions about this program or your balance, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Employment Opportunities (2022-2023 School Year)

All Saints Catholic School is now seeking applicants for the following positions for the upcoming school year.

Instructional Assistants (Full-Time) Substitute Teachers (On-Call) Extended Day Assistants (Part-Time) Applications are available at the office and interested candidates are encouraged to contact Mr. Conroy (<u>dconroy@allsaintsva.org</u>) should they have any questions or wish to further discuss these positions.

Parents seeking part or full time employment are invited to consider joining our team! In addition to having the opportunity of working in a joy-filled and mission-focused environment, employees may be eligible for diocesan benefits as well as tuition discounts at All Saints Catholic School.

FACTS Enrollment & Tuition Assistance Update

As we make plans for the upcoming year, one of our priorities is that of continuing to provide as much tuition assistance as possible for families in our community. In support of this effort, we have submitted applications on behalf of our school families for funding through the *Diocese of Arlington Scholarship Foundation* and the *St. Beatrice Special Tuition Assistance Program.* Diocesan allocations related to these sources of tuition assistance will be confirmed over the course of the next month. Once we receive this information, we will finalize decisions regarding tuition assistance and notify those families who have applied for financial aid accordingly.

The deadline for payment in full for the 2022-2023 school year with a 2% discount is Friday, June 10.

Note: Last week we finalized payments plans for the 2022-2023 school year. Please note that the balance due does not yet reflect any tuition assistance allocations. Once tuition assistance awards are confirmed, we will notify families who have applied and adjust the corresponding payment plans accordingly.

School Supplies (2022-2023)

There are two ways to purchase school supplies for the 2022-2023 school year:

Shop on Your Own

You can shop on your own using our 2022-2023 School Supply List as your guide.

or

Purchase Online through EPI

All Saints is pleased to offer school supply kits as a convenient way to purchase exactly what your child needs for the classroom. Supply kits will be delivered to your child's classroom prior to the start of school.

Order securely online starting now through June 30, 2022

- 1. Go to <u>www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks</u>
- 2. Enter the school ID, ALL088 (3 letters/ 3 numbers)
- 3. Follow the directions to complete your order.
- 4. Orders will be charged tax at checkout.

Please Note — Orders have not been finalized if you do not receive an order confirmation. Please save the order confirmation as your receipt. Please remember to order NEXT year's grade level for your student

If you have any questions about school supplies, please contact Mrs. Horgan at shorgan@allsaintsva.org.

EPI SCHOOL SUPPLY INFORMATION

Drama, Art, & Musical Theatre Day Camps in a Catholic Setting for K-12

For the past 18 years, Spotlight on the Arts Summer Camps has been offering high quality summer camps. This July, All Saints & Nativity will be hosting the following camps: Broadway Spotlight, Arts & Crafts Fun, Drama Bootcamp, and Art Explorer. Various offerings are open to ages K - 12. Most instructors are Diocesan Teachers and all instructors bring their professional backgrounds to help young people explore the arts in a safe environment.

Visit <u>www.SpotlightSummerCamps.com</u> to check it out!

SUMMER CAMPS

Coach Dan Vander Woude's Boys Basketball Camps 2022

Please visit the link below for additional information on Coach Dan Vander Woude's Boys Basketball Camps 2022.

Ages: 6-16Location: Seton School, 9314 Maples St., Manassas, VA

Registration details: <u>https://danvwbasketball.files.wordpress.com/2022/05/2022-skills-</u> <u>drills-one-file.pdf</u>

John Paul the Great Summer Camps

June-August 2022

JP Summer Camps are back for 2022! Sign your elementary and middle school-age children up for a variety of athletic and enrichment camps during the summer months.

For registration and more details, please visit: <u>https://www.jpthegreat.org/apps/pages/summeractivities</u>

School Calendar 2022-2023 ~ Important Dates & Holidays

August 24	First Day of School (Noon Dismissal)
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August 29	First Day of Pre-Kindergarten
September 5	Labor Day Holiday
September 30	Diocesan Professional Development Day (No School)
October 10	Columbus Day Holiday
October 28	Noon Dismissal (Teacher Work Day)
November 11	Noon Dismissal (Parent-Teacher Conferences)
November 14	Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School)
November 22	Noon Dismissal (Thanksgiving)
November 23-25	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 22	Christmas Holiday Begins
January 3	Classes Resume
January 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
February 3	Noon Dismissal (Catholic Schools Week Luncheon)
February 20	Presidents' Day Holiday
March 10	Diocesan Professional Development Day (No School)
April 6	Noon Dismissal (Holy Thursday)
April 7	Good Friday Holiday
April 10	Easter Week Holiday
April 28	Noon Dismissal
May 5	Noon Dismissal (Teacher Work Day)
May 25	Final Day of Pre-Kindergarten
May 29	Memorial Day Holiday
June 14	Last Day of School for Grades 1-7 (Tentative/3 Inclement Weather Days Included)

Upcoming Events

Thursday, June 2

School Mass (8:30 a.m.) 8th Grade Volleyball Game (1:30 p.m.)

Friday, June 3

Pass-it-On Ceremony (Church/9:30 a.m.) Graduation Breakfast (10:00 a.m.) 8th Grade Walk of Honor (11:00 a.m.) **Noon Dismissal** 8th Grade Graduation Mass & Ceremony (4:00 p.m.) Deadline: Payment for Unearned Stewardship Shares **Saturday, June 4** Algebra Exemption Exam

Monday, June 6 5th Grade Stepping Up Ceremony (PAC/8:30 a.m.) Kindergarten Luau *Race for Education* Pizza Lunch (1B, 4A, & 6A) **PTO Executive Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m.) – Rescheduled from Tuesday**

Tuesday, June 7 Kindergarten Graduation (10:00 a.m.) End of Year Classroom Parties (1:30 p.m.) Last Day of Extended Day Services

Wednesday, June 8 Closing of the School Year Mass & Awards Ceremony (8:30 a.m.) Early Dismissal (11:00 a.m.) Note: No Extended Day Services Available Faculty/Staff End of Year Luncheon (Noon)

Thursday, June 9 Professional Development Day

Friday, June 10 Professional Development Day Deadline: Payment in Full with 2% Discount for 2022-2023 School Year