



MISSION

Queen of All Saints School is a *culturally diverse* Catholic community dedicated to developing the whole child with compassion and integrity. Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic *faith* and nurture their minds, bodies, and soul, *inspiring* them to live the *Gospel* of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest *academic* and creative potential, and actively *serve* and enrich the *community*.

SAINTS' Scoop Newsletter

January 11, 2017

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

We have been back in school for a short time and we already have a *Diocesan No School In Session* day for this Friday. The teachers do not have the day off, but will be working on an in-depth study of the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). The work from this in-service, coupled with work that will be done in March with the Lawrence Hall of Science, will serve as the basis for our in-depth study. The teachers are looking forward to diving into these science standards as a way to continually improve our curriculum and to foster high student achievement.

It is that time of year where we begin registration for the next school year. As we prepare to celebrate Catholic Schools Week from Sunday, January 29 – Friday, March 3, we are also preparing to enroll students for the upcoming, 2017-2018 school year. We have been receiving inquiries from prospective families and will begin the assessment and enrollment process in early February. Intent to Return Forms for current families will be sent home with Progress Reports on January 20. Application Forms for new students, including siblings of current students, will be available at our Catholic Schools Week Open House. Please stay tuned for more information regarding the re-enrollment process.

There will be a Financial Aid Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 9 in the Parish Hall. Anyone seeking financial aid for tuition assistance for the 2017-2018 school year **must attend** the meeting to receive important information regarding guidelines and deadlines. This includes families who are already receiving assistance. Several families did not have their tuition assistance renewed by FACE and The Basic Fund this past year because they did not follow guidelines for renewing their aid.

If you have already applied for financial aid for a high school student, be sure to include your QAS student on the same application. If you need assistance, please contact Mrs. O'Connor at joconnor@cndo.org or at [925-685-8700](tel:925-685-8700).

Blessings,
Lucia Prince



NATIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
January 29 – February 4, 2017

HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION

Maintenance Saturday

In order to get our school ready for Open House on January 29th, we have rescheduled our Maintenance Saturday. It will now be on **January 28th** from 8AM – 11AM. This is a great opportunity to earn Family Service hours. Please email questions to Pedro Cruz @ pcruz04@sbcglobal.net

Art Service Project

Thank you for your interest in our upcoming art service project (**Thursday, January 12th from 3:30-4:30 in the Science Lab**). All spaces have been filled. However, there are still spaces available for the after-school art classes beginning January 18th. Please call the office for more information.

PACE News

Catholic Schools Week and the Scholastic Book Fair are coming up in January.

PACE would love your help! See signups below:

Catholic Schools Week Pancake Breakfast - Friday, February 3rd:

<http://bit.ly/QASCatholicSchoolsWk2017>

February Faculty Appreciation Lunch will be hosted by 3rd grade on 2/1/17

Looking for more volunteer opportunities? Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/qaspace2016>

Questions?

Contact PACE at gasconcordpace@gmail.com or visit <http://gasconcord.org/pace>

Next PACE Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 11th at 6:30PM in the Parish Hall.

Playground Expansion Project

Dine Out with QAS - Thursday, January 19th 11AM - 10PM at Mountain Mike's on Clayton Road. Mountain Mike's will donate 25% of your purchase towards the QAS Playground Expansion Project. Don't Forget to Bring Your Flyer!

Flyer attached here: <http://bit.ly/QASPlaygroundMountainMikesJan19>

**Please note that funds raised during this event will go towards the Playground Project and is not counted towards the annual family fundraising requirement.*

Do you wanna build a playground?

Contact the QAS Buildings-Grounds Chair, Pedro Cruz – pcruz04@sbcglobal.net

Advisory School Board (ASB)

Our next Board meeting is Thursday, Jan. 19th at 6pm in the Faculty Room.

On the agenda we will be going over our school's 5-year plan, which covers many areas such as buildings/grounds, marketing, safety and more.

If you have any questions please contact Erleen Richards at erleen.richards@gmail.com

God's Eyewitness News

Even though there was no TV during the time that Jesus lived, eyewitness reports were still very important. One day John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him. He said to the people with him, "Look! There is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one I told you about. I didn't know he was the Messiah, but when I baptized him, I saw the Holy Spirit coming down from the heavens like a dove. It came down and landed right on his shoulder. I saw it with my own two eyes and I tell you, this is the Son of God." When the people heard John's eyewitness report, it helped them to understand and believe that Jesus was truly the Son of God.

Most people come to know about Jesus because someone else tells them about him. Perhaps it is their parents, a Sunday-School teacher, a pastor, or a good friend. They give an eyewitness account how Jesus came into their heart and changed their life.

God wants all of us to be a part of his "Eyewitness News Team." What would you say about what Jesus means to you? Perhaps you would say, "Since Jesus came into my heart, sadness has turned to joy; doubt has turned to faith; worry has turned to trust; fear has turned to confidence." Whatever Jesus has done for you, tell others so they can know him too.

Dear Father, thank you for sending your Son. Help us to be witnesses so that others will come to know his love as we do. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.



WEEKLY CALENDAR/UPCOMING EVENTS

School and ECP monthly calendars are available on the school website at <http://www.qasconcord.org/calendar-1>

Wednesday, Jan. 11	2:20 dismissal
Thursday, Jan. 12	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, Jan. 13	NO SCHOOL Diocesan Staff Development Day
Monday, Jan. 16	NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Tuesday, Jan. 17	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Wednesday, Jan. 18	2:20pm dismissal
Thursday, Jan. 19	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, Jan. 20	3:00pm dismissal Progress reports

Queen of All Saints School Student Learning Expectations – SAINTS

S – Skillful Learners

A – Active Responsible Citizens

I – Independent Lifelong Learners

N – Nurturing Environment

T – Thoughtful, Faith Filled People of God

S – Stewards of the Earth

January

Skillful Communicators who are active listeners

- Listen respectfully when others are talking – do not interrupt or ignore
- Follow directions
- Participate in class and in class discussions
- Ask thoughtful questions
- Responds with thoughtful answer when called upon
- Paying attention and looking at the person who is speaking
- Be a good audience
- Ask questions if you don't understand

Thoughtful Faith Filled People of God who have an active relationship with God through a daily prayer life

- Read the Bible and Bible Stories
- Read the Gospel in the Weekly Scoop
- Say prayers during morning prayer, at lunch, and at dismissal
- Participate in Religion class and religious discussions
- Say evening prayers with family
- Lead classroom prayer
- Interact with classroom prayer corner by posting special intentions