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

February 8, 2017

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

Thank you to all the families that celebrated Catholic Schools Week with us. Our Open House, Book Fair, Family Picnic and Pancake Breakfast would not be successful events without your support.

This Saturday, February 11th we will be screening Kindergarten applicants. We have two screening times scheduled (9:00am & 10:30am). If you are applying for QAS Kindergarten, please call the office to be added to the schedule. All applicants, including siblings of current students, must be screened.

At the moment, we have many students suffering from colds, coughs and fevers. We are working hard to keep the school as clean as possible (disinfecting door knobs, desks, etc.) and we need your help too. Please keep sick students at home until they are healthy and fever free for 24 hours. We really appreciate your help with this matter.

Blessings,
Lucia Prince

HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION

PACE News

Thank you to the wonderful volunteers who helped make delicious pancakes for the students and faculty to celebrate Catholic Schools Week on Friday!

QAS Run for Fun Fundraiser

This is our final fundraiser of the school year where students obtain sponsorships from family and friends for walking/running laps around the schoolyard. Fundraising will begin on February 27th and end on March 8th. The Run for Fun will be on March 9th during PE. All students participate and will receive a Run for Fun t-shirt. A percentage of the funds raised will go toward your fundraising account.

Similar to last year, we will be setting up online accounts for each family. This will make it easier for your friends and family to support your student via online sponsorship. Please contact Mrs. Gray at jegray@csdo.org if we **DO NOT** have your permission to obtain your email address and set up your personal Run for Fun account.

QAS Run for Fun EVENT: Thursday March 9, 2017
Volunteer to help - http://bit.ly/QASRunforFun2017

Coming Up! Students Celebrate Dr. Seuss with Green Eggs & Ham
Volunteer to help on Thursday March 2, 2017 - http://bit.ly/QASSeuss2017
Volunteer for other PACE events here: http://bit.ly/qaspace2016

Questions? Contact PACE at qasconcordpace@gmail.com or visit http://qasconcord.org/pace
Next PACE Meeting is scheduled for TONIGHT, February 8th at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall.

Playground Expansion Project
Dine Out with QAS - Thursday, February 23rd from 4PM - 9PM at Chipotle on Contra Costa Blvd in Pleasant Hill. **Chipotle will donate 50%** of your purchase towards the QAS Playground Expansion Project. Don't Forget to Bring Your Flyer OR show on your mobile device
Flyer attached here: http://bit.ly/QASPlaygroundChipotleFeb23
**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 ASB meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 16th at 6pm in the Faculty Room.

If you are interested in joining any of or board committees please reach out to any of our board members (listed on our school website) or contact Erleen Richards at erleen.richards@gmail.com. Descriptions of all our committees are listed on our school website.

LESSONS FOR THE SUNDAY GOSPELS – (sermons4kids.com)

Forgiving and Forgiven

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to people long ago, 'You must not murder. If you commit murder, you will be subject to judgement' But I say, even if you are angry with your someone, you are subject to judgment." He went on to say that you will be face God's judgment if you call someone a bad name or curse them.

What did Jesus say we should do if we are guilty of any of these things? He said, "If you are presenting your offering to God and you remember that you have said something that hurt another person, leave your gift at the altar and go and ask forgiveness from that person. Then come back and offer your gift to God."

Before we give our offering today, perhaps we should ask ourselves a few questions. Have I been angry with someone this week? Have I had any arguments lately? Have I called someone a bad name? Have I said something about someone that wasn't true? If so, we should ask God to forgive us and we should go to the person we have hurt and ask them to forgive us. When we have done that, God will be pleased with our offering.

"Forgive" is a great old hymn written by Corinne Williams. The first verse of this hymn would be a good prayer for us today.

Forgive the things I've said in haste, O Lord, today,
As evening shadows fold again the light away;
O take away the sting and hurt from hearts, I pray;
And heal the wounded spirits, Lord, in Thine own way!

Heavenly Father, we would not think of committing murder, but we sometimes say things in anger that hurt other people. Help us to guard against hateful and hurtful words and forgive us as we ask those we have hurt to forgive us as well. 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, Feb. 8	2:20pm dismissal
Thursday, Feb. 9	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, Feb. 10	3:00pm dismissal
Saturday, Feb. 11	Kindergarten Screening 9-10:00am & 10:30-11:30am
Monday, Feb. 13	3:00pm dismissal 7th & 8th at Camp (all week)
Tuesday, Feb. 14	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform Pink/Red Sock Day
Wednesday, Feb. 15	2:20 dismissal

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

February

Independent Lifelong Learners who observe, experiment, discover, and reach solutions

- Solve problems and don't give up easily
- Work independently and in small groups – don't let others do all of the work
- Make predictions, discoveries and good observations
- Question, research, and problem solve in all academic areas
- Try new tasks and explore new concepts – take risks
- Participate in science fair
- Is aware of science lab/class rules and follows them
- Is open to new ideas and different ways of learning
- Make real-world connections
- Chart and graph data

Thoughtful Faith Filled People of God who know the doctrine and traditions of the Catholic Faith

- Participate in the Holy Days in the Church
- Learn about the Saints
- Memorize and recite traditional prayers (especially ones learned in class)
- Fully participates in the sacraments of Communion and Reconciliation (or receives Blessing during Communion)
- Responds to the priest in Church
- Reads the weekly Scoop to read about the Sunday Gospel
- Be proud of your Catholic faith
- Go to weekly Sunday Mass with your family and participate in your Class Mass