



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 15, 2017***

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

Wonderful things are happening at Queen of All Saints including screenings for Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten, end of the trimester STAR assessments, and preparations for Lent. This past weekend, we conducted our first round of TK and Kindergarten screenings for new students. Parents were given a school tour while four teachers conducted the screenings. We had an amazing time getting to know our future SAINTS!

Students in 1st-8th grade will be taking their end of trimester STAR assessments in the next two weeks. Please send your child with a healthy snack so they will be energized and alert for the Reading and Math assessments. STAR assessments are given four times a year – at the beginning of the school year and at the end of each trimester. The final assessment will be given at the end of May.

The Season of Lent is right around the corner. We will begin our Lenten observance with the Burning of the Ashes on Fat Tuesday/Mardi Gras (Tuesday, February 28). Join us after morning announcements as we burn last year's palms and say good-bye to the "Alleluia". We will celebrate the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 2:15 p.m. during Lent. Each class will have the opportunity to lead the school community in the Stations. Save the dates: March 3=6th grade; March 17=1st grade and 7th grade; March 24=4th grade and 5th grade; March 31=2nd grade and 3rd grade.

Blessings,
Lucia Prince

HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION

From Mrs. O'Connor

Dear Families - Going home with your student today is your year to date fundraising statement. Please review it for accuracy. Keep in mind that there is one last fundraiser in the beginning of March to help meet your fundraising obligation. Questions: joconnor@csdo.org

Service Hours Opportunity

If you need service hours, we could always use extra help during recess (10:00-10:30) and lunch (12:00-12:50). This is a great way to finish off your hours. Please phone the office to have your name added to the yard duty list. You must have completed the [volunteer requirements](#) to help on campus.

PACE News

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>

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)

ASB has a board meeting this Thursday, Feb. 16th at 6pm in Faculty Room.

If you have any questions or would like to help on any of our committees, please look on our school website for descriptions of committees and contact any member of our School Board.

LESSONS FOR THE SUNDAY GOSPELS – (sermons4kids.com)

Turn the Other Cheek

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus told his followers, "You have heard it said, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.' But I say, do not resist an evil person! If someone slaps you on the right cheek, offer the other cheek also." That doesn't sound fair, does it?

But Jesus went even further! "You have heard the law that says, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say, love your enemies! In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven. If you love only those who love you, what reward is there for that? If you are only kind to your friends, how are you different from anyone else?

So, that is what Jesus said and that is what he expects of us. We can only do that if we ask God to help us.



Father, sometimes we want to strike back when someone hurts us. Give us the strength and courage to do as Jesus taught us and "Turn the other cheek." In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

WEEKLY CALENDAR/UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Wednesday, Feb. 15	2:20pm dismissal
Thursday, Feb. 16	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, Feb. 17	3:00pm dismissal 7 th & 8 th return from Camp
Monday, Feb. 20	President's Day No School
Tuesday, Feb. 21	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Wednesday, Feb. 22	2:20 dismissal
Thursday, Feb. 23	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform Dine out with QAS @ Chipotle

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