



#### **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 22, 2017***

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

As we begin to enter fully into the Lenten season next week, we remember that we are called to conversion. We are not simply giving something up during these 40 days, but we are remembering who we are and who God calls us to be. Through fasting, acts of charity, making time for prayer, and slowing down to walk with Christ, we are making the time and space in our hectic lives for an even closer relationship with Jesus. Please join us at 8:30 on Wednesday, March 1 as we celebrate Ash Wednesday Mass with the parish community.

Kindergarten acceptances will be sent home this week and are due back on Tuesday, March 7. We are anticipating full Kindergarten enrollment for the upcoming school year. If you have a child entering Kindergarten next year and they are not currently in our TK class, they must be screened for Kindergarten readiness. Please phone the office to make an appointment.

We are currently revising our Summer School program to include academic enrichment classes such as robotics, coding, and student leadership in addition to the standard remedial classes that have been offered in the past. By including the enrichment classes, we hope to offer summer curriculum that will be of interest to all of our students. Classes will run from 9:00-Noon, with afternoon extended care from Noon-4:00 p.m. Summer Schools is open to Queen of All Saints students, students enrolled in other Catholic schools, and students who are enrolled in QAS Faith Formation. We are awaiting approval from the diocese, and will have Summer School information available for you in mid-March.

I will be away part of next week as I chair the WCEA/WASC accreditation for a Catholic school in Arch-Diocese of San Francisco. I will miss being at school, especially as I will not be here for Burning of the Ashes or Ash Wednesday. However, I look forward to being back on Friday, March 3rd for the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade's Stations of the Cross.

In March, we will be saying good-bye to Mr. Ron Minges who has been working on school maintenance for the past year and a half. Mr. Minges is going back to work at the Concord Police Department. We will miss having him around school, but he promises to be back to volunteer. Mr. Bill De Smet, QAS alumnus and grandfather to Troy in 1<sup>st</sup> grade, will be joining the staff and maintaining the school facilities. We thank Mr. Minges for his service to the school, and we welcome Mr. De Smet!

Blessings,  
Lucia Prince

### **HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION**

#### **Fundraising Statement**

Last week, we sent home 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](mailto:joconnor@csdo.org)

## Service Project

Please join our 7th grade class in our current Service Project. We are working with SHELTER, Inc. Here is some information from their website:

“Today, SHELTER, Inc. is the leading homeless services provider in Contra Costa County, thanks to the generous support of our community. Since its establishment, SHELTER, Inc. has helped prevent and end homelessness for over 200,000 individuals in Contra Costa County”

We have taken on their need for various personal items and will do our best over the next few weeks to see what we can collect! Please see the [flier](#) for details. Thank you, in advance, for your participation in this important Service Project!

## 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**

Fundraising dates: February 27, 2017 - March 8, 2017

QAS Run for Fun EVENT: Thursday March 9, 2017

Class Times:

- 8:20 - 9:00 AM TK/K/1
- 9:15 - 10:10 AM 5/6/7/8
- 10:25 - 11:25 AM 2/3/4

QAS Run for Fun Fundraiser Website: [gasrunforfunday.eventbrite.com](http://gasrunforfunday.eventbrite.com)

*Please see Run for Fun Fundraising Packet for more information and for collecting cash or check donations.*

Fundraising Information: <http://bit.ly/RunforFunFlyer2017>

Volunteer to help - <http://bit.ly/QASRunforFun2017>

### **Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss - Thursday, March 2nd**

Volunteer to help with a Green Eggs & Ham Breakfast - <http://bit.ly/QASSeuss2017>

Students will get to vote for their favorite Dr. Seuss book. Will it be *The Cat in the Hat*, *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*, *The Lorax*, *Hop on Pop*?? So Many More Books To Choose From!!!

Help with other PACE events here: <http://bit.ly/qaspace2016>

Questions? Contact PACE at [gasconcordpace@gmail.com](mailto:gasconcordpace@gmail.com) or visit <http://gasconcord.org/pace>

**Next PACE Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8th at 6:30PM** in the Parish Hall.

## **Playground Expansion Project**

**Dine Out with QAS - TOMORROW**, February 23rd from 4PM - 9PM at Chipotle in Pleasant Hill (NEW Location in Target Shopping Center). **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](mailto:pcruz04@sbcglobal.net)

### **Advisory School Board (ASB)**

ASB will have their next board meeting on Thursday, March 23rd at 6pm in the Faculty Room. Board minutes can be found on our school's website under the parents tab then to Advisory School Board (ASB).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact anyone on school board listed on or website.

### **LESSONS FOR THE SUNDAY GOSPELS – (sermons4kids.com)**

#### **God Said It, That Settles It**

One day Jesus took three of his disciples -- Peter, James, and John -- up on a mountain so that they could be alone. While they were on the mountain, an amazing thing happened. Jesus' appearance began to change. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Then Moses and Elijah appeared and were talking with Jesus. The disciples couldn't believe their eyes! Then they couldn't believe their ears! They heard the voice of God saying, "This is my Son. I love him and I am pleased with him. Listen to what he has to say."

Well, from that moment on Peter, James, and John had no doubt about who Jesus was. He was the Son of God. God said it and that settled it. Peter himself said, "We were eyewitnesses of his majesty...we ourselves heard the voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the mountain." (2 Peter 1:16,18)

There are many people today who still don't know who Jesus is, but we know, don't we? He is the Son of God. How do we know? Because God said it and that settles it — whether others choose to believe it or not.

Dear Father, we thank you for sending Jesus, your Son. We know that he is your Son because you said so — and that settles it. 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>

<b>Wednesday, Feb. 22</b>	2:20pm dismissal
<b>Thursday, Feb. 23</b>	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform Dine out with QAS @ Chipotle
<b>Friday, Feb. 24</b>	3:00pm dismissal 7 <sup>th</sup> grade dance @ St. Perpetua
<b>Saturday, Feb. 25</b>	QAS Parish Mardi Gras Dinner & Dance Doors open @ 5:30pm

<b>Monday, Feb. 27</b>	3:00pm dismissal No mass
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 28</b>	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform Burning of the Ashes
<b>Wednesday, Mar. 1</b>	12:00 dismissal 8:30am Mass – Ash Wednesday
<b>Thursday, Mar. 2</b>	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform Dr. Seuss Day (Green Eggs and Ham)
<b>Friday, Mar. 3</b>	3:00pm dismissal End of the Trimester

## 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