



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 ***March 22, 2017***

Dear Queen of All Saints Families,

The children did an amazing job writing and illustrating their Young Authors Fair books. Thank you for helping your child prepare their book for possible submission to the fair. Each school is limited in the number of submission allowed for each grade: one fiction book; one poetry book; two class books; two special genre books; one religious themed book; one graphic novel; and two school buddy books. Any book that is submitted must follow very strict guidelines. The Young Authors Fair committee now has the difficult task of selecting books to submit for the judging process. We will be notified of the results in mid-April, and winners will be invited to attend a special awards ceremony at St. Mary's School on Saturday, April 29. Good luck to all of our young authors!

We will recognize and celebrate each of our authors by holding our own Queen of All Saints Young Authors Fair. During our annual Multi-Cultural Day celebration on Friday, May 12th, every child's book will be on display for all of our guests to read. Thank you again for working with your child on this special writing project. We have many great authors in our midst!

New for Summer School

Are you looking to keep your child busy this summer? We have a great summer school program planned with new enrichment activities to keep your child engaged while learning new skills. This year's five-week program will include 2-weeks where the children will have the opportunity to enhance and grow their technology skills through Robotics and Coding, try their hands at building and creating in the Makers' Workshop, develop their creative side in fine arts activities and theater, and acquire the qualities of being a good leader through our Leadership Program. The Robotics/Coding class is open to students entering grades 3-8, while the other classes are open to students entering grades 1-8. The final three weeks of the program will be dedicated to Reading and Math remediation to help prepare students for the upcoming school year. Please see the Summer School information available on our school website, and the flyer attached to the Scoop email.

Blessings,
Lucia Prince

HOME – SCHOOL CONNECTION

Service Hour Opportunities

- We could always use your help during snack recess (10:00-10:30) and lunch recess (12:00-12:50). Please phone the office to have your name added to the yard duty list. All volunteers must have completed the volunteer requirements (TB screening, Livescan fingerprint clearance, VIRTUS trained).
- Father Mike has announced a school/parish clean up day on Saturday, April 29th 8-11:00am. This is a great way to finish off your hours.

- If you are interested in donating snack items to the Extended Care program for service hours, please email Ms. Gatz at mgatz@csdo.org. Please, no peanut items, and you must submit receipts for credit.

Soup Supper

Coming soon...Soup Supper, April 5th at 5:30. If you are interested in donating items for service hours, please see the SignUp Genius here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a45a8aa2b0-gasfaculty/>

Service Project

We are still collecting personal items & toiletries for our current Service Project for Shelter Inc. We will be collecting through March. Thank you for your participation in this important service project!

Cinderella is coming to QAS!!! Our Junior High Students and K - 5 dancers will present this timeless play on March 24th and 25th at 7:00pm. Early Bird Tickets are available online only at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/musical-cinderella-tickets-32398209918>.

Mrs. Davis is looking for a parent to video record and photo the performances, if you can help or if you have any questions, please email Mrs. Davis at tdavis@csdo.org

If you are interested in donating items for service hours (receipts must be turned in to office), please see the SignUp Genius list here:

<http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/70A0A4DA9AB2F4-cinderella>

PACE News

QAS Run for Fun Celebrations - Friday, March 24th

1st Grade and the Run for Fun winners of each class are allowed free dress this Friday.

Coming Up - Family Dance Night - Friday, April 28th

More information will available in the next scoop.

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

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

Next PACE Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30PM in the Faculty Room.

Playground Expansion Project

Saint Patrick's Day Free Dress brought in \$364 in donations.

Thank you for the support! We are a huge leap closer to getting our new playground.

Dine Out with QAS - TOMORROW, March 23rd from 5PM - 9PM at Fuddruckers in the Willows Shopping Center. Fuddruckers will donate 20% of your food purchase towards the QAS Playground Expansion Project. **Don't Forget to Bring Your Flyer!**

Flyer available here: <http://bit.ly/QASPlaygroundFuddruckersMar23-2017>

(Please do not attempt to distribute flyers at the restaurant or we will forfeit our fundraising opportunity.)

**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

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Advisory School Board (ASB)

The Board will meet next Thursday, March 23rd at 6pm in the Faculty Room. If there is anything you would like to bring to the board's attention please feel free to contact anyone listed on the our school website under the ASB link.

[LESSONS FOR THE SUNDAY GOSPELS - \(sermons4kids.com\)](http://sermons4kids.com)

To God Be the Glory

Music has always been an important part of my life. I love all kinds of music, but the music I love the most is the music that we sing about Jesus. I have a hymnal this morning and I have marked a few of the hymns that are among my favorites.

Here is one of my favorites, "To God Be the Glory." What a great hymn of praise to God. Here is another that has always been a favorite of mine, "All the Way My Savior Leads Me." It tells about how Jesus leads us through the difficult times in our life. Oh! This is one song that is definitely on my list of all-time favorites, "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine." Did you know that all of these favorites that I have named this morning have something in common? They were all written by the same person. In fact, there are many hymns in our hymnal written by that person. Her name was Fanny Crosby.

When Fanny was six weeks old, she had an eye infection. Her regular doctor was out of town, and a man posing as a doctor gave her the wrong treatment. Within a few days, she was blind. If that happened to me, I am afraid I would be very bitter and I would probably spend a lifetime feeling sorry for myself. Fanny was never bitter and she never felt sorry for herself. When she was only eight years old, she wrote this poem:

Oh, what a happy child I am,
Although I can not see.
I am resolved that in this world,
Contented I will be.
How many blessings I enjoy
That other people don't.
To weep and sigh because I'm blind,
I cannot and I won't!



Instead of being bitter and feeling sorry for herself, Fanny used the gifts that God had given her to write over 8,000 hymns and poems to praise and glorify God.

One day Jesus was walking with his disciples when they passed by a blind man. When they saw him, the disciples asked Jesus who was to blame for the man's blindness. Was it because of his sin or was it because of his parent's sins? Jesus answered them and told them that no one was to blame, he was blind so that God's works could be shown in him. Then Jesus healed the man and the people praised and glorified God for his goodness.

What about Fanny Crosby? God didn't heal her blindness. Perhaps if God had healed her, she might never have written all of those beautiful hymns -- and the world would never have heard of Fanny Crosby. She used the tragedy of her blindness to glorify God. I pray that tragedy will never come into your life, but if it does, remember that everything that happens can be used to praise and glorify God!

Dear Lord, the difficulties in our life seem small when compared to what others may be facing. Help us not to grumble and complain, but to praise and glorify you in every situation. 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, Mar. 22	2:20 dismissal
Thursday, Mar. 23	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Friday, Mar. 24	3:00pm dismissal 2:15pm Stations of the Cross 7:00pm QAS Musical – Cinderella
Saturday, Mar. 25	7:00pm QAS Musical – Cinderella
Monday, Mar. 27	3:00pm dismissal 8:30 Mass
Tuesday, Mar. 28	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform
Wednesday, Mar. 29	2:20 dismissal
Thursday, Mar. 30	3:00pm dismissal PE Uniform Student Government campaigning begins
Friday, Mar. 31	3:00pm dismissal 2:15pm Stations of the Cross

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

March

Skillful communicators who express themselves creatively and develop their individual talents

- Express yourself in your artwork and creative writing activities
- Do your best in Art, Music, PE and Spanish
- Show your talent for dancing, singing, and drama
- Participate in contests –spelling bee, science fair, young authors fair
- Pursue interests outside of school and let the school know
- Share your talents with others
- Participate in school rallies and activities
- Participate in CYO sports activities

Thoughtful Faith Filled People of God who participate in liturgical services

- Participate in choir/cantors
- Respond at Mass and sing along with the choir and cantors
- Stand, sit and kneel at the proper times
- Enter and exit Church with prayerful hands
- Say Amen after receiving Communion or Blessing and walk back to pew with prayer hands
- Volunteer to bring up the gifts, read, altar serve or participate in other ways. Participates and is reverent during Stations of the Cross, praying the Rosary, Burning of the Ashes and other special events or services