



St. Paul's School Weekly Newsletter

November 29, 2006

Upcoming Calendar Events:

- Wednesday,
Nov. 29** **Progress Reports go home**
- Thursday,
Nov. 30** **6:30 p.m. School Advisory
Board**
- Monday,
December 4** **8:10 a.m. Advent Wreath
Blessing
2:00 p.m. Dismissal
2:20 p.m. Faculty Meeting**
- Tuesday,
December 5** **Advent Reconciliation
Grades 6-5-8**
- Thursday,
December 7** **Grade 4 Field Trip Steinhart
Aquarium**
- Friday,
December 8** **8:30 a.m. Mass – Feast of the
Immaculate Conception
Dress Uniform**
- Thursday,
December 14** **6:30 p.m. Christmas Concert
in Church**

Principal's Message:

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Sunday we begin the liturgical season of Advent which lasts for the four weeks before Christmas. It is a period of simple living and extra prayer as we prepare for the coming of Jesus our Savior. Advent has many customs and traditions that we will be participating in during the next few weeks.

Advent is also a time of new beginnings because the first Sunday of Advent is the start of the Church's calendar. A new Gospel is opened for our reflection. The Church will look at the Gospel of Luke this year. Luke was a doctor and a missionary companion of St. Paul. Luke is a patron of artists and his words paint a picture of Jesus as loving and kind, welcoming all and teaching of God's forgiveness.

During this season of Advent, Jesus calls us to make our world loving and peaceful. We take time during advent to prepare gifts for others. We hope your Advent reflects these thoughts.

We ask that you join in offering prayers for the family of Araceli Mayorga (2nd), whose great grandmother, Isabel Hanrahan, passed away Thanksgiving day.

Sincerely,

Arleen Guaraglia
Principal

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Applications for Siblings:

As you may know, we have begun our application process for the upcoming school year (mainly Kindergarten). If you have a child you'd like to enroll in the 2007-2008 school year, please request an application packet from the office and submit your application as soon as possible. Siblings of current students are given preference, but we need to have applications on file in order to know how many other prospective students we can accept.

Food Co Shoppers:

For those of you who shop at Foods Co and use the Community Rewards card, you need to re-register your card number with Foods Co. Enclosed is an information sheet that will tell you what to do to complete the registration process. The school's NPO number is: 84322. You will be asked this number to register your card. If you do not re-register your card number, the school will not get a percentage of your shopping costs to be taken off of your Financial Agreement. If you need a Community Rewards card, you may stop by the office the week of December 4th and pick up an application.

Telephone Number Change:

REMINDER – If you have changed your home or work phone numbers or have any address changes, please send in the new information to the office so that we may keep your child's emergency card current.

Financial Accounts:

For those families paying the tuition in two payments, the 2nd payment is due on December 1st. Letters about this were sent home three weeks ago.

All financial accounts (tuition, Extended Care, returned checks, old balances) must be current by January 19th or your child will not be able to return to school for the 3rd quarter.

After school:

Parents, please help to supervise the students who are running between and behind the parked cars in the lane between the church and school buildings. This behavior can create a safety issue for the children. We need your cooperation.

Walkathon Prizes

Congratulations to the winners of the 2007 Walkathon. In addition to those below, many other winners will receive free games at Sea Bowl and Serra Bowl, and free rounds of miniature golf at Malibu Grand Prix, as well as passes to the Academy of Sciences.

Most Laps:

Blair Meehan (4th 58 laps - 2 AMC Movie passes)
Maya Astabie (7th 57 laps - 2 Bonfante Gardens passes)
Kristina Martinez (7th, 41 laps - 5 free video rentals at Hollywood Video)
Daniel Ortiz (6th 33 laps - 5 free video rentals)
Daniel Cortes (3rd - 32 laps - 5 free video rental)

Most Sponsor Money Raised:

Katherine Kelly (5th - \$840 - 2 Great America passes)
Jacob Saba (2nd - \$265 - 2 Exploratorium passes)
Ileana Carrillo (1st - \$235 - 2 Exploratorium passes)
Oscar Rojas (6th - \$225 - 5 free video rentals)
Hunter Padilla (2nd - \$210 - 5 free video rentals)

Class With the Most Money Raised:

5th Grade \$1,259 Pizza Party

Class With Most Participants:

5th Grade 10 walkers Ice Cream Party

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Festival of Giving at Stonestown Mall:

On Sunday, December 3, from 5 - 9, St Paul's will participate in the Festival of Giving at Stonestown Mall. Many stores in Stonestown will be offering special discounts, entertainment, door prizes and complimentary gift-wrap to those who have a ticket for this event. Tickets are \$5.00 each, (100% of proceeds of the ticket sales go to St. Paul's School) and are available in the office, or by filling out the order form on the flyer sent home today. The ticket entitles every shopper (person making a purchase) to the discounts offered by such stores as Children's Place, J Jill, Aeropostale, American Eagle Outfitters and Nine West, to name a few. St. Paul's will also benefit from tickets sold at the Mall on December 3. All organizations participating will share in the proceeds of the shopping spree. Please review the enclosed flyer for a list of participating stores and get your tickets. Mark your calendars and plan to shop to benefit St. Paul's. You will find some great deals on your Holiday shopping.

Quote of the Week:

***Great works are performed
not by strength, but perseverance.***

Dr. Johnson