



ST. MONICA SCHOOL

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The Principal's Weekly Newsletter



Go Bulldogs!

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Happy Easter!

Tomorrow, we enter the final phase of Lent, the Holy Triduum, which is the last three days prior to Easter. These three days, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, are filled with the rich stories and symbolism of the Catholic Faith.

As the last few days of Lent now wind down, I want to thank all in our community for giving the \$339.77 that we were able raise for our Lenten charity, the Make a Wish Foundation.

Above all, I wish all of our families a blessed Easter Sunday and an wonderful Easter Vacation the following week. I encourage all students to take proper rest, enjoy some fun activities, and return to school refreshed for the remainder of the school year.

Re-Registration for 2009 - 2010

Last week, our re-registration period for next school year began on March 25th. I want to remind all families that the due date for all re-registration forms and payment is Friday, April 24th. Families are welcome to contact me personally, or Mrs. Dillon in the School Office, for additional information. Also note the available opportunities for tuition assistance below. As the deadlines are approaching, please act quickly.

Tuition Assistance for 2009 - 2010...

1. Basic Fund: deadline for new students applying to the program: April 17th. website: www.basicfund.org.

2. Archdiocese of San Francisco Family Grants: application deadline: April 15th.

3. St. Monica Parish and School Tuition

Assistance: Forms are now available from the school office. Please inquire with Mrs. Dillon for info.

Families are welcome to request any of the above application(s) from the school office. As announced in our tuition increase announcement letter last Wednesday, it is our pastor's wish that no St. Monica School families choose to leave the school due to financial constraints. I encourage families to take the above steps for tuition assistance, if needed.

Student Life Highlights...

Student Talent Show - May 22nd (Date Change!)

A flier outlining how students can participate in

this year's Student Talent Show (2nd Annual) are being redistributed in today's envelope. I apologize for the date change of the event - it was due to a scheduling conflict with the Parish. Please refer to the flier regarding instructions and dates/times for auditions.

School Community Events...

"Bowldog Chill" - April 25th

Please note the flier enclosed in today's envelope.

Highest Selling Raffle Contestant Drawing:

Congratulations to the family of Anne Henninger for winning our raffle for a free registration next year. She was one of the group of families entered who were able to sell 10 books or more of raffle tickets for the Auction Dinner to qualify for our free registration and qualify for the drawing.

Thank You...Thank You...

My thanks to JoMay Chan for organizing our final fundraising activity of the school year - our Spring Cookie Dough Sale. This fundraiser was just kicked off yesterday, April 7th and will go on until Monday, April 27th - at which time all order forms and payments are due. The items will be available for pick up from school on Wednesday, May 6th - just in time to celebrate Mother's Day! My thanks, in advance, to all families for completing this final fundraising requirement.

Upcoming Events...

- Apr. 9th: Holy Thursday Prayer Service, 11:30 a.m. in St. Monica Church. All are welcome.
- **Apr. 9th: 12:30 p.m. Student Dismissal - Extended Care will close at 3:00 p.m.**
- Apr. 10th: Good Friday - School Holiday
- April 13th - 17th: Easter Vacation
- April 20th: Classes Resume, welcome back from vacation - Talent Show auditions, 3:15 p.m.
- Apr. 22nd: 4th grade Pot Luck, 6:30 p.m.
- Apr. 23rd: School Advisory Board Meeting
- Apr. 24th: Talent Show Auditions, 3:15 p.m.
- Apr. 25th: "Bowldog Chill" 4:00 - 8:30 p.m.
- Apr. 26th: Our Student Choir sings at the 10:30 a.m. Mass followed by Friendship Sunday.
- Apr. 27th: 12:30 p.m. Student Dismissal for Faculty Professional Development.