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Dear Families,

Saturday was an exciting day for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class of 2009 as they became the "High School class of 2013"! They have been a wonderful class and they have earned many accomplishments in the classroom, on the athletic field and in our community. We will miss our 8<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents. I thank our graduating parents for all of their support and wish our graduates happiness and success in their future. I congratulate **Christina Rontell** for being selected as our Academic Excellence Award winner! The day was a beautiful series of celebrations for our "seniors" on campus. The event began with a delicious brunch hosted by our 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents. I would like to extend a very special thank you to all of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students who volunteered their precious time to prepare and coordinate this festive occasion for their upperclassmen. Note: Report Cards and miscellaneous items will be available for pick up on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Last Day Of School** - We will attend a Prayer Service and then hold our end of the year awards. Please remember that our teachers believe very strongly in recognizing all students for their achievements. Many awards will be given out in the classrooms prior to Thursday's awards. The awards on Thursday are reserved for those students earning the highest grade point average in each subject area. Students are invited to wear nice free dress (church attire). Appropriate length shorts that are not longer than the knees or shorter than four inches above the knees are fine. We should conclude our morning and dismiss the students at approximately 10:30 a.m. **Please note that there will not be any Campus Care on the last day of school.**

**Science Fair** – Congratulations to **Bethany Johnson (7H)** for finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State Science Fair. **Tyler Jones (7M) and Sam Recchio (7M)** also had a great showing in the state finals. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the county science fair.

**Summer Office Hours** - Beginning next week, we will observe our summer office hours. We will be open on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00am to 1:00pm**. Please feel free to come by and purchase scrip, pay tuition, say "hi", etc.

**2009-10 Summer Packets** – The infamous packed "Summer Packets" will be available for pick up on **Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>** and class assignments will also be posted at that time. Please note that tuition is a twelve-month program commencing **June 1<sup>st</sup>**. **Your tuition must be current in order to pick up your packet.** Remember that tuition envelopes are now available in the school office if you would like to mail in your payments over the summer.

**Medications** – Please remember to pick up any prescription (or non-prescription) medications that you may have kept in the office for your students. Any medications not picked up by **June 18<sup>th</sup>** will be disposed of.

**Carnival Help** - Each summer Dan and Carolyn Kemble mail out our Carnival raffle tickets to our parishioners (this is a very time consuming task). Last year, a small army of parent volunteers joined them to help stuff the envelopes. We are looking for another great team to join them again this August. Please call Dan or Carolyn Kemble at 435-2434 if you can help. Get a head start on your Parent Participation Hours!

**Soccer Coaches Meeting** – There is an Important Soccer Coaches Meeting coming up if you are interested in coaching a St. Anthony's Soccer team for the 2009 FGYSL Soccer season. You must attend a mandatory coaches meeting tonight, **Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm** at St. Anthony's School in Room 21\*. At this meeting we will cover new FGYSL rules, coaches training and licensing, as well as form preliminary teams and vote in new board members for the St. Anthony's Soccer Club. If you have not coached with us before and would like to coach, please attend. We do have some openings for head coaches this season. Coaching youth soccer can be a very rewarding, fun experience and is a great way to earn parent participation hours. For information, please contact Bruce Campbell at 908-5055 or sas.soccer@sbcglobal.net. NOTE: \*This meeting is for U-8 through U-14 coaches only. We will have a separate meeting for Kindergarten coaches in the fall.

**Brick Courtyard** – There are many bricks that will be installed in the next 2 weeks. We would like to thank **R.R. Frey Construction Company** for installing these bricks. If you purchased a brick or had one from your donation to the Community Center we are excited about getting them installed.

**Friends of SAS** - Please remember to support any friends of St. Anthony's that support our school from the Carnival, Auction, etc. We have many businesses and many families that are on our Scrip Vendor List that we would also like to thank. Please try to give your business to those businesses that support St. Anthony's School. We are very blessed to have the support from so many outstanding individuals and businesses.

**Bennett-Giannetta Soccer Scholarship** - To honor the years of dedication that **Stephanie Bennett and Michelle Giannetta** put forth for the children of St. Anthony's, a scholarship has been formed in their names. This scholarship will be awarded to St. Anthony's Soccer players in the U-8 through U-14 age groups wishing to attend the FGYSL Summer Soccer Camp, August 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>. To apply, please email your child's

still accepting contributions toward the scholarship fund. If you would like to make a donation of any amount, please contact Bruce Campbell at: sas.soccer@sbcglobal.net, with "CONTRIBUTION" in the subject heading.

**Altar Server Registration** - Check out all the new changes in the Altar Server program! The program is now open to **4<sup>th</sup> graders**. If you would like to be on the next schedule coming out in October, please have your application in to the parish office by **July 1<sup>st</sup>**. Current Altar Servers, please remember the Serra Club is putting on a picnic for you **Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 to 4:00**. You must sign-up and fill out a field trip form available in the church office by June 10<sup>th</sup>. Should you have questions, please call the Parish office at 439-0124 ext. 118.

**Tuesday Packet Moms** - We would be remiss if we didn't acknowledge our sincere appreciation for those hard working moms who are here every Tuesday at 8:15 to sort and deliver all of the useful information that comes in the Tuesday packet. We have over 450 families who receive packets and rely on this lifeline of information. Our staff extends sincere appreciation to **Mrs. Margaret Ann Penman, Mrs. Lori Mohun, Mrs. Tess Johnson, Mrs. Kimberly Gambero and Mrs. Stefanie McGuinness**. If you see them on campus, you may want to say "thanks for the info!"

**Snack Bar** - Each year we have an amazing show of supportive parents who help with various things around campus that directly and positively affects our students. The Snack Bar is a great addition to the campus that is run solely by parents. We would like to thank **Dorian Callahan, Stephanie McGuinness, Stephanie McGuinness, Stacy Roque, Sharolyn Schmiederer and Valerie Shimamoto** for their dedication to this program. We also extend our thanks to all of the other parents who took a shift to help out.

**Yearbook Ads & Photos** - If you turned in pictures for the yearbook (baby photos, ad pages, etc.), they are ready to be picked up in the school office. Kindly pick them up from the office by this **Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**.

**Yearbooks** - There are a limited number of yearbooks available for purchase. They are \$40 and are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

**Contracts** - All remaining contracts (including those who have applied for financial aid) will receive them in their Tuesday packet today. **Please RETURN ALL CONTRACTS BY THURSDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>**. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

**Recycle News** - The class of 2G would like to thank you for all of the support with their recycling program this year. The current total is **\$4,138.59** and counting! What a blessing to be able to donate this to the Holy Cross Center for Women. Remember to save your recyclables over the summer and bring them in when school begins again.

**Congratulations** - We are proud of our SAS Alumni who just graduated from SJM last Friday. Two of those alumni, **Christy Cameron and Michael Vang**, received the *Bishop's Award*. Also, Christy Cameron was selected as one of the 3 valedictorians for SJM. WOW, look how great our SAS students have done!

I want to express my sincere appreciation to all of the parents who have helped St. Anthony's in so many ways this year. I am amazed at the amount of parent participation that is offered in a variety of ways. Your involvement is what makes our school a special home for our children. I especially want to thank the organizations that provide leadership and direction. It has been a privilege working with all of you this year. Parents, being the primary educators of your children, I thank you for sending such well prepared students. I especially thank **Msgr. Rob** for his spiritual support and our wonderful staff and dedicated teachers. I hope that your family has a relaxing, safe and enjoyable summer vacation. We look forward to seeing all of our students' smiling faces on **August 24<sup>th</sup>** for our first day of school.

### Summer Programs

**HALO Summer Sports Program** - St. Anthony's HALO (Hands-on Athletic Learning Opportunities) Summer Sports Program will again be offered this year for students currently in K - 6th grade. Session I will begin June 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> for basketball; Session II will begin June 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> for volleyball; and Session III will begin June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> for soccer. If you are interested in this great opportunity please pick up a flier in the school office.

**Sonshine Summer Bible Camp** - The annual Sonshine Summer Bible Camp for children entering K through 6<sup>th</sup> grades will be held **Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> through Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-11:30 am** here at St. Anthony's School campus. The week will be full of fun, arts, crafts, plays, songs, and prayer. The deadline for registration will be **Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**. For more information, please see the enclosed flyer or pick up a registration at the Parish Office or online @ [www.stanthonyfresno.org](http://www.stanthonyfresno.org).

**SJM Summer School** - San Joaquin Memorial has some great classes for students who will be entering 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the 2009-2010 school year and some outstanding teachers, too. The late registration fee will be waived.

**Elite Soccer Academy** - This is for boys and girls ages 6-12 and will be held at St. Anthony's School July 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 11:30am. Camp director is Randy Prescott. Please pick up a flier in the school office.

**Panther Football Camp** - The annual football camp for ages 10-14 (students entering 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grades) are invited to attend the SJM Mini Camp from June 15<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup>. Fliers and registration forms are available in the school office or call 268-9251 ext. 134.

**Central Valley Water Polo Club** - There is a summer training program for 5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> boys and girls. Swing by the athletic office to pick up a flier. Or contact Coach McCurry at [bdmccurry@gmail.com](mailto:bdmccurry@gmail.com) ...make a splash this summer and check it out!

**USA Chess Camp** - The USA Chess Camp will be held here at St. Anthony's School July 6- 10. See the flier in the school office or register online at [www.chesscamp.com](http://www.chesscamp.com).

**Sierra Sport & Racquet Club Summer Tennis Camp** - For ages 5 to 16 and beginning June 8th for all abilities. Gear up for SAS Tennis next year!

**Mathnasium** - Summer program available! See flyer for St. Anthony Student discount!

Always in Christ,

**Summer Office Hours:**  
**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**  
**9:00 - 1:00**

