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January 3, 2017

Greetings from Mrs. Cochran, Interim-Principal

Welcome back to a New Year and welcome 2017! I hope that everyone had an opportunity to relax and enjoy quality time with family and friends over the Christmas break. As students return to their classrooms and routines, teachers will re-establish their focus on learning as we head towards Trimester 2 Progress Reports next week and the end of the trimester next month. Mr. Lawrence and our custodial staff have done an excellent job of making our school look great for our return. Remind your child to show how much this work is appreciated by placing all garbage in trash cans, recycling water bottles into orange buckets, and picking up any litter around campus they may see instead of walking over it. We ask that while you are on campus, you model for this for them.

During the month of December, SAS said farewell to five families (7 students) and welcomed (7) new students. Our teachers, students, and staff will assist each family in making a comfortable transition. As you see a new face on campus, make sure to introduce yourself and do what you can to make each person feel welcome. Our current enrollment is 622.

It seems hard to believe that planning for the 2017-2018 has already begun. Kindergarten registration and testing will soon take place and before we know it, our Class of 2017 will be preparing for graduation. All our SAS families remain in our prayers as we begin 2017. Keep our students and staff in your prayers~

Auction Chairs Needed

PTO is looking for two energetic and enthusiastic people to coordinate the team for this year's annual auction scheduled for Saturday May 20, 2017. There are many returning moms and dads committed to preparing a table, decorations, check-out, and more. PTO just needs a Chief! Grab a friend and say YES! Contact Debbie Martin @ (559) 473-8607 as soon as possible.

Attention In-Coming Sibling Kindergartners

In today's packet you will find the registration form for in-coming sibling kindergartners. Please fill out the form and return it to the school office. The last day to register your kindergartner is January 31, 2017. Testing will begin in March. Mrs. Reynolds will call you to set up your testing appointment. Remember, your child **MUST be 5 years old** on or before September 1st in order to test for Kindergarten. If you have any questions concerning kindergarten please call the school office.

First Reconciliation Meeting

Parents of all 2nd grade students planning to receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation are required to attend a meeting scheduled for **Thursday January 5, 2017 @ 5:00pm**. Meeting will take place in Room 24. Contact your child's teacher for more information.

Athletic News

Baseball tryouts for 7th and 8th graders will take place on Monday January 9th and Tuesday January 10th at the Fig Garden Loop Park. Tryouts begin promptly at 3:30pm and end at 5:30pm. Prospective players are encouraged to arrive immediately after school and be ready to go. All candidates must bring their own glove, baseball attire, and a cup. It may be necessary to schedule a third day of tryouts on Wednesday, January 11th if needed. Also, come to school ready for tryouts regardless of weather. Announcements will be made by noon if tryouts are cancelled due to rain on that day. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Jones at (559) 265-2971.

Tuition and Campus Care Envelopes

Tuition and Campus Care envelopes were sent home with your oldest child today. Remember, Tuition is a 12 month program which runs from June 1st – May 1st each year. Campus Care Drop-in Billing for the months of August, September, and October have been sent out and those invoices are now due and payable.

Toy Drive

Thank you to all families donating toys for our annual Toy Drive to benefit Martin Luther King Elementary School. Students received the toys on Friday December 16 and for many, the toy you donated was their Christmas. Our student team did a fantastic job of coordinating this service project and we thank them for the time, energy, and enthusiasm put into accomplishing this wonderful event. We thank Mrs. Monica Baker, MLK teacher, for inviting SAS to participate in serving her school community and working with our team! God is good.

Blankets for Biola

Thank you to all families in Ms. Mohrbacher's 2nd grade class for donating 50 blankets for the farming families in Biola, a small community north of Kerman. Ms. Mohrbacher worked with Sister Martha at OLPH Church to meet a need in the small community. Many of the families Sister works with each week live below the poverty line, work hard each day, and most importantly love God and attend Mass regularly. We are proud of our SAS students and families for their generosity and love.

SAS Book Drive

Please take a few minutes to check your bookshelves and plan to donate to an SAS January Service Project to benefit Fresno County's newest library-The Betty Rodriguez Library. This library provides educational resources and classes for the underserved in our community. The books will be used for a book sale the library will hold February 3-5 at this library. We will accept any used or new books; with a higher need for non-fiction and kids' books. Books may be brought to the school office or your child's classroom starting January 3.

Yard Duty Volunteers

Yard Duty Parents needed to assist in the supervision of children 11:45am-1:00pm. This is an excellent opportunity to meet your child's friends and other SAS parents! Contact Jenna Fry jonnafry@me.com or Mia Panoff mihaelapanoff@yahoo.com for more information or to sign up.

Epiphany: Sunday January 8

The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things. *Epiphany* comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man. Epiphany originally celebrated four different events, the Baptism of the Lord, the changing of water into wine, the Nativity of Christ and the visitation of the wise men. Each of these is a revelation of God to man. Eventually, Epiphany came to mark the end of the Christmas season. The twelve days of Christmas, celebrated in the song, which began with the revelation of Christ to Israel in His Birth and ended with the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles at Epiphany. As you begin storing away Christmas decorations and memories, share this prayer with your family:

Loving God, You have gifted the Church through the goodness of your Grace
to be your hands and do your work, to be your voice and share your words,
to bring healing to a fallen world and broken lives make whole.
You have gifted your people with the blessings of your Spirit, the power to transform lives
and make all things new. Now may our hearts receive, our mouths proclaim,
our hands prepare for service, that the love that we have known might overflow the lives we live
and pour into the hearts of others, that all might receive your Grace,
your renewing Spirit and your love. Amen

8th Grade Baby Photos for Yearbook

Thank you very for everyone that turned your 8th Grade Baby Photo in on time. I am still missing a few. If the photo is not turned in by Friday 1-6-17 it will not be in the yearbook. Thank You Mr. Olson



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Dear Parents,

In order to plan next school year, the administration needs to know if your student has a sibling entering Kindergarten at St. Anthony's in the fall of 2017. Please fill out the form below and return to the school office by January 31, 2017 so that we may hold a spot for them.

Thank you.

Kindergarten Application for 2017-2018

Child's Name _____

Sibling's Name _____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell # _____

Date of Birth _____ Sex _____ M _____ F

Date of Baptism _____ Church _____ City _____

Current Parish _____

I prefer All-Day Kindergarten (8:30am-2:50pm) _____

I prefer A.M. Kindergarten (8:30am – 12:30pm) * _____

* All students must be picked up at 12:30pm. Campus Care will be provided at an additional cost.

Application will be considered in the order received.

Yearbook Order Form

Grades K-7

Yearbook Prices:
Before 2-24-17: \$35.00 - Order Early and Save
After 2-24-17: \$45.00

STUDENT NAME _____ CLASS: _____

STUDENT NAME _____ CLASS: _____

STUDENT NAME _____ CLASS: _____

STUDENT NAME _____ CLASS: _____

Phone: _____ Number of Books _____

AMT Enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____

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YEARBOOK: Check# _____ Date: _____ AMT: _____



SpringBoard

Afterschool Enrichment
Program

Coming to Springboard!

Introducing our Winter/Spring Offerings 2017

Springboard is a voluntary afterschool enrichment program designed to spark passion, creativity, and ingenuity in our young students' minds. Our custom programs have been created to provide a quality learning experience delivered in a hands-on, interactive, and fun environment.

Enrollment is open to students in grades 1-5 and we are excited to announce our offerings for Spring 2017; Fashion Design, Recycled Art, Chess Club and Lego Engineers!

All classes take place in Room 24 from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. The cost is \$10 per class.

Registration and payment processing for Springboard is all online.

Go to the Springboard website, peruse the class schedule, register and pay all in one simple and easy step.

Space is limited so go online and register today!



An After School Enrichment Program for Grades 1-5 Registration Form

PARENTS, PLEASE CIRCLE WHICH CLASSES YOUR CHILD IS ENROLLED IN AND KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR RECORDS. REGISTER FOR CLASSES ONLINE AT: www.springboard-sas.com

Springboard Winter/Spring 2017 classes

Monday Beginning Fashion Design: Fashion design and sketching with I HEART Art.

CLASS GOES TILL 4:30pm

Students must be at least 6 years old. Space is limited and students will keep materials.

(10 x 7 sessions, plus a one-time \$12 material fee = \$82 for the session)

Monday Class sessions: 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13

Monday Recycled Art: Art using recycled materials with I HEART Art

Students must be at least 6 years old. Space is limited and students will keep materials.

CLASS GOES TILL 4:30pm

(10 x 4 sessions, plus a one-time \$10 material fee = \$50 for the session)

Monday Class sessions: 3/20, 4/3, 4/10, 4/24

Wednesday Chess Club: For grades 2-5 only

1st graders can attend based on readiness interview during the first class. So 1st graders are encouraged to participate.

(10 x 6 sessions = \$60 for the session)

Tuesday Class sessions: 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1

Wednesday Lego Engineers: Lego building with Bricks 4 Kidz

Space is limited. CLASS GOES till 4:15pm

(10 x 6 sessions = \$60 for the session)

Tuesday Class sessions: 3/15, 3/22, 4/5, 4/26, 5/10, 5/17

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Winter/Spring Programming 2017



- **Chess:** Jay Retamal (former instructor of French's Knights) This four class session will bring the benefits of chess to children in a manner that is both engaging and fun. Participating students will learn about the fundamentals of chess by learning from expert instructors as well have the opportunity to practice those skills while playing against one another. Whether you know how to play or just learning, this club style class is perfect for all skill levels. Students will also be encouraged to participate in chess tournaments throughout Fresno. This class is designed for students in grades 2-5. First graders are encouraged to participate and will be interviewed by the instructor on the first day of class to determine readiness.



- **Recycled Art:** This course is all about reusing and repurposing everyday items from trash into treasured masterpieces. Our supply list consists of such items as egg cartons, coffee filters, newspaper and bottle caps. Your child will take home one medium recycled art project. Class will run until 4:30 and includes a material fee. Instructor: I HEART Art



- **Beginning Fashion Design:** This course is an introduction on how to draw fashion figures. Your child will learn how to properly illustrate models, clothes, handbags and accessories. At the end of the course each student will complete a fashion model story board with 3 different looks. Class will run until 4:30 and includes a material fee. Instructor: I HEART Art



▪ **Lego Engineers! Back by popular demand!:** Bricks 4 Kidz is the first company in the Central Valley to provide an extraordinary classroom atmosphere for children, where they **learn, build and play... with LEGO®** Bricks. This class is built around proprietary model plans, designed by engineers and architects, with exciting themes such as space, construction, and amusement parks. Bricks 4 Kidz' specially designed project kits and theme-based models

provide the building blocks for:

- Engineering and architecture principles
- Exploration of math and science concepts
- Increasing general knowledge through discussions related to each model
- Development of social/emotional skills such as patience, teamwork and communication in the process of completing a project and much more!

There will also be opportunities for them to learn about the First Lego League competition tournaments and attend a local event!
