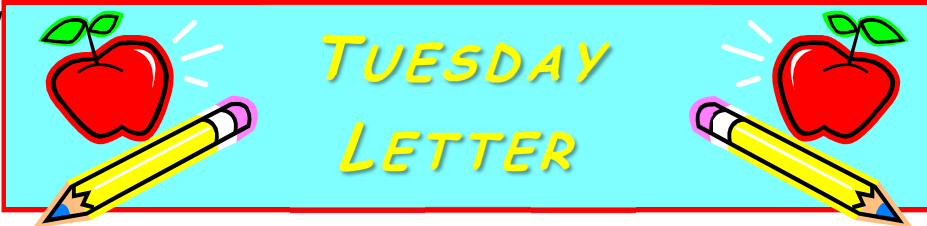


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February 9, 2016

Upcoming Calendar Events

Feb. 9	PTO Meeting – Staff Lounge – Social at 5:30 P.M., Meeting at 6:00 P.M.	
Feb. 10	Ash Wednesday Prayer Service – 6S – Community Center	9:15 A.M.
	History Walk-Through for 4 th Grade – Room 24	
	Student Government Speeches for Class Reps	
	EARLY DISMISSAL FOR ASH WEDNESDAY	2:30 P.M.
Feb. 11	History Walk-Through for 6 th Grade – Room 24	
	Student Government Elections for Class Reps	
Feb. 12	School Mass – 7S – Students may wear tops with Valentine colors	
Feb. 13	Happy Birthday, Mrs. Blanchard!	
Feb. 14	Happy Valentine's Day!	
Feb. 15	NO SCHOOL – Presidents' Day Holiday	
Feb. 16	Happy Birthday, Mrs. Asparuhov!	
	Rice Bowl Program begins	
	SLE's go home	
	Fire drill	1:00 P.M.
Feb. 17	Happy Birthday, Ms. Nightingale!	
	Famous American Presentations by 3 rd Grade - Social Hall	8:30 A.M. and 10:45 A.M.
	Superintendent Faulkner visits SAS	
	Sierra Chamber Opera - Social Hall - 1:00 P.M. (Grades K-3) and 1:45 P.M. (Grades 4, 5, 8)	
Feb. 18	Happy Birthday, Mrs. Dean!	
	SLE's return	
	School Board Meeting – Conference Room	6:00 P.M.
Feb. 19	End of the Second Trimester	
	5 th Grade Trip to San Jose Technology Museum	
	School Mass – 6G	8:45 A.M.

Principal's Message: Lent – A Time for Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving

Dear Parents,

Tomorrow our SAS community begins our Lenten journey with our celebration of Ash Wednesday. Jesus' forty days in the desert serve as a lens through which we can see our forty days of Lent in a new light. Like Jesus, we use this period of forty days to deepen and strengthen our relationship with God. Jesus trusted that his needs and wants while in the desert would be fulfilled by God. May we enter into this time of Lent with the same sense of trust in God's presence and care for us, and may we use this season of Lent for prayer, reflection, and service to others.

At St. Anthony's School, we will engage in an almsgiving project during Lent to reach out to those in need: the Catholic Relief Services' Rice Bowl program. Your family's donation will assist in serving the poor in 100 countries. CRS is the official humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Locally, 25% of the funds collected will go to Catholic Charities to assist those in need in the Fresno area. Thank you for talking with your children about Lenten almsgiving and encouraging them to donate to this program. God bless you and your family during this season of Lent.

Live, Jesus, in our hearts forever.

Susannah Nelson, Principal

Phone System Upgrade

The phone system at the school has been upgraded, including installation of new equipment. We appreciate your patience as the transition occurs, and we apologize for any glitches or dropped calls that may occur. Thank you for your understanding as we improve our phone communication system. Please see the attached flyer with a list of new phone extensions for voice mail messages.

Springboard Update

We still have openings in Springboard Creative Writing which starts Tuesday, February 16. This class runs for 5 sessions; Mrs. Jennifer Tookoian will be the instructor. Please sign up as soon as possible. If you have questions about winter classes, please contact Kim Boyer at kimboyer10@comcast.net.

Sierra Chamber Opera Performance at SAS

The Sierra Chamber Opera will perform for our students on Wednesday, February 17 in the Social Hall. The performance for grades K-3 will begin at 1:00 P.M., and the performance for upper grades will begin at 1:45 P.M. Come join us for a delightful musical experience!

Athletic News

Our Jr. High Boys and Girls Basketball teams competed in the PAL Tournament this past Saturday. Our Girls are the PAL tournament champions with a win over St. Helen's! Our Boys battled in overtime against St. Joachim's and brought home the 4th place trophy. Sportsmanship Honorees were Margaret Smith (8B) and Anthony Garner (7S).

Both squads will be playing this weekend in the 45th annual PAL Invitational at San Joaquin Memorial High School on Saturday and Sunday. Come by and cheer on our teams!

Ash Wednesday - Special Parking Lot Measures and Early School Dismissal

In an effort to alleviate the congestion that occurs in the parking lot on Ash Wednesday and to ensure our students' safety, the following measures will be in place on Wednesday, February 10:

- Parents are strongly encouraged to plan carpools for this day.
- Staff members will park next to Room 20; this will provide spaces in the Maroa side parking lot for those attending the services in the church. The kindergarten teachers will be in the front parking lot to "collect" students in the morning since there will be limited, if any, spaces for parking.
- The PE teachers will be at the corner of Browning and Maroa to supervise the drop off of students at this location; students can then enter through the Maroa gate. This is a special drop off area allowed only on this day.
- For this day only, K3 students may enter through the Maroa gate.
- School will be dismissed at 2:30 P.M.

Wear Your Valentine's Day Colors!

Students may wear Valentine's Day colors (red, pink, white, purple, lavender) for their tops, with their uniform pants/skirts, on Friday, February 12. Monsignor Rob is looking forward to seeing the students in their valentine colors at the School Mass. If students do not choose to wear valentine colors, they must wear their regular Mass uniform.

Pajamas Galore for Children in Need

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, SAS has responded to Jesus' call to care for others in an extraordinary way by donating 832 pairs of pajamas to the Foster Care Program of Fresno. God bless you, SAS community, for your generous spirit and hearts of mercy! Our thanks to Mrs. Martha Peerson and the students in 4P for recognizing this need and organizing this drive.

PTO Meeting / Advisory School Board Meeting

The next PTO Meeting is today (February 9). Please join us for the social at 5:30 P.M. in the Staff Lounge; the meeting will begin at 6:00 P.M. Child care will be available for the meeting. At this meeting you will be invited to provide input for the Diocesan School Viability Assessment Profile. The next Advisory School Board Meeting is February 18 at 6:00 P.M. in the Conference Room.

Visit from the Superintendent

Each year the Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Fresno visits each of the Catholic schools in the Diocese. Superintendent Faulkner will visit SAS on Wednesday, February 17. We look forward to sharing our campus with the Superintendent!

Yard Duty Assistance Needed - and Thank You to Our New Volunteers!

Thank you for your wonderful response to our request for help with yard duty at lunch! We were able to fill many needs in our schedule. At this time we are in need of assistance on Mondays. It is a great way to earn parent participation hours while helping our students and teachers! Please contact Mia Panoff at mihaelapanoff@yahoo.com or Jonna Fry at jonnafry@me.com if you can help. Many thanks to Mrs. Panoff and Mrs. Fry for coordinating this important service to the school. If you are a new member to our yard duty crew, please come a few minutes early to your first duty day so that you can meet with Mrs. Nelson for a yard duty orientation session. Thank you!

Uniform Reminders

A reminder about uniform outerwear policies in our school dress code, as explained on page 42 of the Parent-Student Handbook: "Official SAS uniform sweatshirts or sweater may be worn during the school day. St. Anthony's does not require a school jacket. During cold weather, jackets may be worn over the school sweater or sweatshirt. This encourages our uniform look: the first layer is the polo shirt; the second layer is the sweater or sweatshirt; and, if needed, a jacket, the fleece vest, or the fleece jacket may be worn over the sweatshirt as the third layer. Jackets are NOT to be worn in the classroom or in church. St. Anthony's fleece jackets/vests are an optional uniform item (may only be purchased at Dennis Uniforms) and may only be worn as a jacket over the sweatshirt." In addition, a reminder that white or navy blue tights are allowed; however, leggings and jeggings are not allowed. Tights may be worn under jumpers and skirts; tights may not be worn under skorts and shorts. Socks, including knee socks, must be white only.

Rainy Day/Bad Air Day Lunch Supervision

On rainy days and bad air days, our students need to remain indoors during recess and lunch. To ensure their safety and supervision, there will be an adult in each classroom. On the rainy day/bad air days, the lunch yard duty volunteers will continue their current responsibilities, which include assisting with supervision in the Social Hall while students are eating, and then monitoring the hallways and bathrooms.

SJMHS Panther Elite Basketball Club Sign-Ups

See the flyer in today's packet concerning Panther AAU basketball for grades 3-8. Sign-ups are Feb. 13 and 14 from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. in the main gym at San Joaquin Memorial High School. The AAU program will run from March to May.

Social Media Monitoring Tool for Parents

If you are interested in an app that will enable you to monitor your child's use of social media, one that you might want to check out is Oxbow. This app is designed to monitor connected Instagram and Twitter accounts and to allow review, then approval or denial, of outbound posts prior to their

going live in your child's stream. Oxbow puts proactive social media monitoring in the hands of parents. For further information and the opportunity for a free trial, go to this web site: <http://www.oxbowapp.com>.

A Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Gracious God,
today begins a period of inner reflection and examination.
The days stretch before me and invite me inward
to that silent, holy space that holds your Spirit.
This special time beckons me to see my life through Christ's eyes
and the truth and reality of your love incarnate.
Give me the grace to enter the space of these days
with anticipation of our meeting.
And, when I open my soul to your presence,
let your loving kindness flow over me
and seep into the pockets of my heart.
I ask this for the sake of your love.
Amen.

The Work of Lent

- Prayer helps us grow closer to God. During Lent we attempt to increase our quality time to prayer. The gift of prayer adds a spiritual rhythm to our daily life. It makes us less self-centered and more aware of the many opportunities we have to honor God and serve others.
- Fasting is a form of penance. It is doing with less and voluntarily limiting the amount of food we eat during a specific day. It is also a form of prayer that expresses our desire to empty ourselves for God. Catholics between the ages 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means we may eat one full meal on those days. Catholics who have reached the age of 14 are obliged to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.
- Almsgiving is a practical way to express our love for God by expressing our love and generosity for others. Acts of charity are a basic part of Christian living. When we share our time, talent, and treasure with people in need, we are acknowledging that God is the source of our many blessings.

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THURSDAY February 11th - Hot Lunch for 4P

Lunch Includes: BBQ Hot Dogs , Carrots w/ranch, Chips,
Conversation Hearts

Name	Grade/ Class	Lunch \$3	Extra \$1	Total \$



This lunch contains no nuts. Please fill out form completely.
Orders must be in by 3:30 pm Wednesday.



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Please remember to write separate checks for Thursday and Friday

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FRIDAY February 12th - Hot Lunch for 5T

Lunch Includes: Me-N-Ed's Cheese Pizza

Name	Grade/ Class	Lunch \$3	Extra \$1	Total \$



This lunch contains no nuts. Please fill out form completely.
Orders must be in by 3:30 pm Wednesday.



February Students of the Month

Character Trait: Trustworthiness. A St. Anthony's Student communicates effectively in written and oral form in their daily life.

- K1 Max Chomicki, Marcella Dalena, Matthew Liggett
- K2 Jonah Hallier, Zoe Stockton
- K3 Paul Rodriguez, Keira Shafer
- 1B Samuel Dubbels, Allison O'Neill
- 1N Ivana Kochergen, J.D. Zanoni
- 2G John Paul Hernandez, Reece Valdez
- 2M Veronica Gonzalez, Paul Moeck
- 3B Isabella Balli, Gabriel Munoz
- 3H Ciara Estrada, Migel Teodoro
- 4P Isabella Alarcon, Ayden Marquez
- 4S Ava Valdez, Faith Vang
- 5A Maddie Douty, Jack Levreau
- 5T Mande Puente, Mia Sarale
- 6G Gaby Chielpegian, Ellie Diener
- 6S Mia Jo Fisher, Daniela Wood
- 7R Luca Fanucchi, Amanda Perkins
- 7S Danielle Bartko, Alexa Calip
- 8B Kimmy Fitzhenry, Nathan Shimamoto
- 8C Xander Arfsten, Grace Baker



St. Anthony's School – New Voice Mail Extension Numbers

If you would like to leave a voicemail for a staff member, please dial the main school number (435-0700). As soon as the message starts to play, you can enter one of the extension numbers below to leave a message. This number will not ring directly to the classroom or office; it is for voice mail purposes only.

Room 1	Ext. 0301	Mrs. Lisa Underdown
Room 2	Ext. 0302	Mrs. Jolaine Cornwell-Macias
Room 3	Ext. 0303	Mrs. Abbi Riddle
Room 4	Ext. 0304	Mrs. Kelly Sakugawa
Room 5	Ext. 0305	Mrs. Debbie Asparuhov
Room 6	Ext. 0306	Mrs. Erin Silverio
Room 7	Ext. 0307	Mrs. Michelle Garrett
Room 8	Ext. 0308	Mrs. Valerie Tuel
Room 9	Ext. 0309	Ms. Sarah Mohrbacher
Room 10	Ext. 0310	Ms. Sonia Gonzalez
Room 11	Ext. 0311	Mrs. Terri Blanchard
Room 12	Ext. 0312	Ms. Kali Hardcastle
Room 13	Ext. 0313	Mrs. Ashley Wills
Room 14	Ext. 0314	Mrs. Julie Landon
Room 15	Ext. 0315	Mrs. Robyn Stone
Room 16	Ext. 0316	Ms. Claudia Nightingale
Room 17	Ext. 0317	Mrs. Julie Schiro
Room 18	Ext. 0318	Mrs. Martha Peerson
Room 19	Ext. 0319	Mrs. Kim Cochran
Room 20	Ext. 0320	Mrs. Jami Baker
Room 22	Ext. 0322	Mr. David Sarkisian
Athletics	Ext. 0325	Mrs. Kieran Roblee
Physical Ed	Ext. 0341	Ms. Tiffani Moore
Tech/IT	Ext. 0326	Mr. Don Olson
VP	Ext. 0327	Mr. Tom Neumeier
VP	Ext. 0328	Mr. Shawn Carey
Scrip	Ext. 0329	Mrs. Lisa Dean
Principal	Ext. 0330	Mrs. Susannah Nelson
Office 1	Ext.0331	Mrs. Mary Margaret Stone
Office 2	Ext. 0332	Mrs. Georgina Reynolds
Library	Ext. 0333	Mrs. Maryclaire Polacek

YEARBOOK

PICTURES

Please try to have 3 or more students in each photo.

- Carnival
- Welcome Mass
- Talent Show
- Halloween
- Sports
- Pumpkin Patch
- Thanksgiving
- Buddy Events
- Pajama Days
- Saints
- Field Trips
- Hot Air Balloons
- Classroom Activities
- 6th Grade Camp
- Medieval Feast
- Science Fair
- Cheer Leaders
- History Day
- Colonial Days
- Staff with Students
- Staff members
- American Revolution
- Ancient Times
- Girl and Boy Scouts
- Parent Volunteers
- Peach Blossom
- Spelling Bee
- Drama
- Academic Decathlon
- Church Choir
- Odyssey of the Mind
- Jog A Thon
- School Sponsored off campus events

Team Pictures of Off campus Sports (such as fig garden soccer, pop warner, panther prep, one team picture with coach)

Please put all pictures in a labeled envelope or plastic bag. Please turn them into the school office in the **folder labeled “Yearbook Photos”**

or

email them to yearbook@sasfresno.com please also copy the homeroom teacher in your email (example: jdoe@sasfresno.com)

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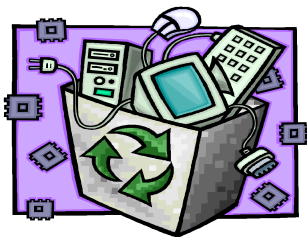
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April 10th and 17th
9:00am – 3:00pm

We Recycle:

TV's, Monitors, LCD Screens, Plasma Screens, Laptops, Computer Towers,
Printers, Copiers, Faxes, Calculators, Stereo Systems, Keyboards, Mice, Cell
Phones, Telephones, Toner and Ink Cartridges



Please drop off items next to the
trash bins near the South East
corner of the parking lot.

For More Information Please Contact:

Mr. Olson at dolson@sasfresno.com

JOIN OUR TEAM!!!
“PANTHER ELITE”
PANTHER ELITE A.A.U.
BASKETBALL CLUB SIGNUPS



Date: **Feb. 13 & 14, 2016 SIGN UP'S**
(Please note that practice and games will run from March-May)
There will be a parent meeting in early March prior to 1st practices)

Location: San Joaquin Memorial
(Main Gym)

Open to: BOYS & GIRLS (Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8)

Sign up

Time: 11:00am – 1:00pm SJM Main Gym

We will be fielding several teams. This is your opportunity for your child to participate for one of the growing quality A.A.U. basketball organizations in the Fresno area, with a staff headed by current head coaches of boys & girls basketball at San Joaquin Memorial High School.

For More Information, please contact:
David Martinez: (559) 232-1075

Please tear off and return with entry fee **\$200.00** (Multiple siblings price Break Available)

(Check) to: **Panther Elite** (payments available upon request)

Or: Mail in Dead line 2/26/16.

Send to: **1850 E. Birch Ave. #108**
Fresno, CA 93720

Player's Full Name: _____ Grade: _____ Sex: _____

Parents / Guardian name: _____ Home / Cell # _____

School: _____

Email Address: _____

Uniform Size: YS / YM / YL / AS / AM / AL / AXL (circle size)