



April 18, 2018

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Wed Apr 18: STEM/ A's Baseball Field trip for 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th
- Thur Apr 19: Spring Pictures at 8am - FREE DRESS for everyone
- Fri Apr 20: 2nd payment for the 2018-2019 Registration due
Final TK and Kindergarten testing from 3:30 to 4:30pm
- Mon Apr 23-27: Afterschool Professional Appreciation Week
- Tues May 1: Last payment for the 2018-19 Registration/Enrollment fee due
- Wed May 2: Carnival sponsored by middle school - Get On the Bus
- Fri May 4: Noon dismissal / Teacher In service
All School Mass at 9am sponsored by the 2nd grade class
- Sat May 5: Cinco de Mayo Celebration from 11am to 4pm
- Mon May 7: Multicultural Week begins
- Tues May 8: Teacher Appreciation Day and Luncheon

Prayer for Community

Embracing Father, You grace each of us with equal measure in your love.
Let us learn to love our neighbors more deeply, so that we can create peaceful and just communities.
Inspire us to use our creative energies to build the structures we need
to overcome the obstacles of intolerance and indifference.
May Jesus provide us the example needed and send the Spirit to warm our hearts for the journey. Amen

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW and/or TAKE ACTION

Spring Pictures: The students have grown and changed a lot this year. Thursday morning, each student will take a professional picture that you can purchase. All students will get FREE DRESS.

New Staff or the 2018-2019 school year Announced: Ms. Tanya will be on maternity leave and Lia has most graciously offered to take over the class as a long term sub for the remainder of the year.

As previously announced, Madam Sutter will be working next year as our full time 9-5 academic coach serving both title one students and those students who need individual and small group help. The position will be created with Debbie and the help per the needs of your students from all of you.

Ms. Tucker will move to middle school as our 6th grade homeroom and 6-7-8 ELA teacher and remain as our PT Vice Principal.

I have hired Michele Morales to be our 3rd grade teacher next year. Michele has been a 3rd grade teacher for 11 years at St. Cornelius school. She is very familiar with CCSS and SBG. She is energetic and like all of you, uses a variety of teaching methods, expects academic rigor and is a team player.

Sr. Anne will be retiring at the end of this year. I am also close to hiring a tech person to replace her. This position will encompass new requirements. I will keep everyone posted of any new developments.

Earth Day All School Movie Event: Unfortunately, Hilltop Century Theaters will not be showing the DisneyNature movie "DOLPHINS" in celebration of Earth Day this year. This an annual community event will have to be RESCHEDULED with a rated "G" movie that all can see. I will keep you posted.

FINAL TK and Kinder Testing scheduled: St. Paul School will be holding another Kindergarten and TK testing date, Friday, April 20th from 3:30 to 4:30pm. Testing for other grades can be arranged with the office by phoning 510-233-3080. Please encourage your friends and family who want a rigorous, challenging, well-rounded, fabulous and faith based education who have Preschool to 8th grade age children.

Enroll for 2018-2019 school year: Everyone has to enroll with InfoSnap for the next school year! *You will receive an email from zguardado@csdo.org that provides current families a link and invitation to enroll for the 2018-19 school year.* If your information remains the same, the process should be no more than 10 min. At that time, you will need to pay a registration deposit of \$150.00 Although we encourage you to do so then, you can check the box marked "check" and pay in the office. Note that you will not be considered registered until your full registration is paid.

Last payment for the 2018-19 Registration/Enrollment fee due: Thank you to all who have paid or made a partial payment toward registration for next year. Of course we hope you are returning and we are encouraging you to pay registration because some of our classes are filling up. **We will be starting a waitlist for Kindergarten** after our next testing on April 20th. Additionally, if you signed up for our **ELP Summer Program**. **You must have paid Registration/Enrollment in full by May 1st.** Please note, if you are not returning to St. Paul School next year, your child may not attend our ELP Summer Program for insurance purposes.

Carnival sponsored by middle school: On Wed May 2nd, the middle school students will be holding a Carnival to fundraising for The Get On the Bus program, coordinated by the Center for Restorative Justice Works. The organization offers support and free transportation services to families affected by the criminal justice system. They bring children and their guardians/caregivers, from throughout California, to visit their mothers and fathers in prison. These rides happen over several weekends, from Mother's Day to Father's Day, hundreds of families are reunited for the holidays.

Tickets are .50 each or 25 for \$10.00. There will be approximately 16-20 game booths. Tickets will be sold at recess and lunch this week. Please see the flier for details.

Save the Date for our Annual Auction for Education and Gala: We have 4 weeks to go before the event. We will be selling tickets to the event beginning next week.

This year it will be held on **Saturday, May 19th** and the theme for the Gala is **Casino Royale**. It will be held at the Richmond Country Club....it will be amazing.

We need your family to support the school by asking a business that you frequent for a donation to our event. We will publicize them as a supporter and provide a letter or their tax deductible contribution. **Go to <http://stpaulschool.schoolauction.net/auction2018/>**

We are also asking parents in each class to contribute to a class basket that will be auctioned off at the Gala. The room parents will send updates. *Please see the basket content list attached.*

We are excited to share these additional Items donated to the auction:

- MVP infield seats (fantastic seats for a family of 4) for the Oakland As vs SF Giants -baseball game + Fireworks night
- SF Giants Triples Alley experience (for a family of 4) for the 2012 World Series Reunion commemoration game at ATT Park
- SF 49ers autographed football and jacket
- In and Out Burger package
- Several Disneyland tickets
- Contra Costa 4 week Summer camp

- Golden State Warriors basketball camp
- Six Flags season tickets
- Universal studios tickets
- Tickets to Waterworld tickets
- Principal for a Day
- 8th grade pews at graduation

Teacher/Staff Appreciation: Next week, April 23 to 27th is After school professional week. Tuesday May 8th, is the parent community will honor our teachers and staff with a luncheon. I hope each family will contribute to our schoolwide appreciation of our teachers and staff for both these events. The room parents will send a blast with specifics. We do need parents to watch the students-two per classroom from 11:45 to 1:00pm. You be given instructions by the teachers as to what to do. You will receive 1.5 PPH hours for your generosity.

"Tell two Friends": It is not too late to tell your friends about the advantages of St. Paul School's wonderful loving and caring learning environment and parent community. If a family you recommend enrolls and attends the school for a year, you will receive a reduction of \$200 on your last tuition payment of the 2018-2019 school year. **WE need your help to spread the word!**

Need PPH?: We invite you to walk in the Cinco de Mayo Parade and/or work on Saturday, May 5th.

If you walk in the parade you will need to sign in at 9am at Richmond Civic Center by City hall and document your time at St. Paul School where the parade ends. You will walk up 23rd Street for 2 miles and receive 2 hours of PPH for walking. **You can also sign up to work at the festival with Signup.com in 2 hour increments.** You can choose from making cotton candy, hot dogs, face painting, administering glitter tattoos, and/or helping with games sponsored by the church. If you have any questions, please email our PTG VP Jessica Carbajal at jessicacarbjal21@yahoo.com.

PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR

Multicultural week will begin Monday May 7th: Multicultural Week is a time to celebrate our experience of similarities and differences of culture, tolerance and community. During this week, students will experience evidence of their culture demonstrated in the arts, food, song and performances. The week will include several activities including a Fashion show and MULTICULTURAL POTLUCK. *Please see the flier to sign up for the potluck.*

FYI: The followings meetings are coming up:

- **Auction for Education:** April 24th at 6:30pm in 4th grade classroom
- **African American Heritage Committee:** Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30pm in the 4th grade classroom
- **Our next PTG Meeting:** Tuesday, May 8th at 6:30pm in the 4th grade classroom. **Click here to sign up here for meetings** <http://signup.com/go/xDLCbNN> or here to volunteer for childcare <http://signup.com/go/AYyLmxh>
- **Board Meeting: CANCELED-**Tuesday, April 17th at 6:30pm in the 4th grade classroom.
- **Cinco de Mayo Meeting:** Tuesday, May 1st at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall

GOOD TO KNOW!

First Communion: We are so very proud of the 2nd and 3rd graders who received their 1st Communion sacrament last Saturday. It was beautiful and very special. Thank you to Ms. Eva, Sr. Anne, Ms. M and Mr. GianCarlo for making the mass memorable. Bless be the children.

ELP Summer Program announcement: We still have **8 spots left** for our summer program. The program will begin on Monday, June 18 and end July 20th. The program is FREE until 3pm. Childcare is available from 3pm to 5pm for

\$125 per week. We have asked teachers to recommend students for the program. Next week, we will open the program up on a first-come-first serve basis. See flier for your review.

Girls and Boys Basketball Camp Opportunity: Motivating and inspiring boys and girls and teaching that it is more than just a game has been our mantra at Excel in Basketball for the past 37 years! Since 1981, they have provided tens of thousands of kids with the opportunity to improve their skills while learning valuable life lessons that will last long past their playing days.

Information and registration for our camps is now available online at: www.excelinbasketball.com and our 2018 brochure is attached!

Financial Aid and Registration: Any and all families seeking financial aid from outside entities such as FACE, BASIC as well as the school for the 2018-2019 school year, must complete a financial aid application. The application for current families must be completed in order to be considered for ANY and ALL tuition assistance. Please do not wait to apply. *If you qualify and neglect to apply for outside aid, the school may not be able to compensate for you not applying. We will give aid on a first come first serve basis. If you need personal assistance to help you complete these applications, please call the office for an appointment.*

BASIC Fund: Apply at <http://www.basicfund.org/how-to-apply-english/>

FACE: You can find the link on our webpage at www.st-paulschool.org or go to online.factsmgmt.com/aid and clicking the "Applying for a Grant?" tab. All applications must be completed online.

PPH opportunities: If you would like to donate instead of working your hours, you can donate paper towels, both Clorox and baby wipe, both 1 gallon and 1-quart zip-lock bags. You will receive one hour PPH for each \$25 worth of items you donate. Please bring in your receipt and the items to the office. Thank you.

Purchase Cinco de Mayo Raffle tickets: Drawing will be held at the Cinco de Mayo Festival on Saturday, May 5, 2018. Need not be present to win. Purchase tickets in the office Now! \$5.00 per ticket or (5) tickets for \$20.00

1st prize: \$2,000

2nd prize: \$1,000

3rd prize: \$500

Give a GreatSchools Review: Thank you to all parents who have provided a review in the past. We need your opinion again! We are beginning our new campaign for our 2018-2019 school year. We are very excited about the changes we have made this year to better serve our students with high academic expectations, opportunities to discover with creativity and social/emotional growth. Please go to www.greatschools.org and take a few minutes to complete a review of the school. Print the review turn it into the office and **get one PPH hour** for your time and effort. Follow the instructions attached.

We have been chosen Best of the Bay 2017 this year in four categories:

Thank you so very much parents for your votes and having faith in always trying to do our best for your children....the teachers, staff and I are most honored!



Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENTS**

Summer Reading at the library for free: See flier attached or go to.... www.csueastbay.reading.program.org

Summer Camp: Salesian High College Prep is offering their infamous Red and Black Enrichment and Sports Summer Camp. See flier for details.