



April 11, 2018

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Wed Apr 11: African American Cultural Committee  
 Thur Apr 12: 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Retreat  
                   Great Program dinner at Maple Hall at 5pm  
 Fri Apr 13: Progress report period ends for the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester  
                   All School Mass sponsored by the 1<sup>st</sup> grade is canceled  
 Sat Apr 14: 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion at 11am  
 Tues Apr 15: Board Meeting at 6:30am in 4<sup>th</sup> grade  
 Wed Apr 18: STEM/ A's Baseball Field trip for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Thur Apr 19: Spring Pictures at 8am  
 Fri Apr 20: 2<sup>nd</sup> payment for the 2018-2019 Registration due  
                   Final TK and Kindergarten testing from 3:30 to 4:30pm  
                   All School Earth Day movie event  
 Mon Apr 23-27: Afterschool Professional Appreciation Week  
 Wed May 2: Carnival sponsored by middle school - Get On the Bus  
 Fri May 4: Noon dismissal / Teacher In service  
 Sat May 5: Cinco de Mayo Celebration  
 Mon May 7: Multicultural Week begins

### Prayer

Lord, as we continue our celebration of Easter, help us to walk with the early disciples along the path of faith. Lead us through whatever pain, confusion, and doubt we may be experiencing to spiritual growth and ultimate joy in the full realization of the message of the Resurrection. May the consolation experienced by the first disciples be ours again today, as we share the joy of new life in Christ with all whom we encounter. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen

### THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW and/or TAKE ACTION

**Progress Report Period Ends Friday:** It is hard to believe but the progress report period for the third trimester ends this Friday. For students in grades 3-8<sup>th</sup>, you will be able to view your child's progress thus far in Powerschool on Monday. The teachers will send a paper report with the students in TK thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grades on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

**Change in Mass Schedule this week:** The All School Mass sponsored by the 1<sup>st</sup> grade is canceled both on Friday at 9am and on Sunday. All priests will be gone for the week on business and will be unable to celebrate mass for us. It is important that the younger children especially, get the practice with their peers on Friday in order to feel comfortable to celebrate mass for the parish on Sunday, therefore, the 1<sup>st</sup> grade will not be sponsoring the 10:30 mass either. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Save the Date for our Annual Auction for Education and Gala:**

We have 8 weeks to go before the event. This year it will be held on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> and the theme for the Gala is Casino Royale. It will be held at the Richmond Country Club....it will be amazing. Thank you to all families who sent

a picture example of volunteering at St. Paul School. We hope that will help us secure expensive and cherished tickets to Disneyland!

We are asking 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 need your help with getting donations as well. Go to <http://stpaulschool.schoolauction.net/auction2018/> Please used take your time contact businesses you frequent asking them to support your child's school. The money earned from this #1 event will help close the gap and between tuition paid and the expense of running the school with our much needed staff and resources provided to our children. *Please use the attached forms.*

**Earth Day All School Movie Event:** Mark your calendar! We are planning an All-School movie event late in the afternoon on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Hilltop cinemas for the showing of the DisneyNature movie "DOLPHINS" in celebration of Earth day, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is an annual community event that gets families together to watch a movie. **You will have to pay for your own ticket to the movie as well as supervise your children. I will phone the theater Monday to identify the show time. I will send out a blast with the final information.** We hope to see you there!

**School Renovations:** You may have noticed a new doorway in our foyer. Thanks to Mr. Rosa, Grandpa, Mr. Hermeston and others, we will have two offices that will accommodate our counselors and full-time academic tutor/coach next year. Next week the project should be finished. We very much appreciate the time and talents of our parent and extended families!

**FINAL TK and Kinder Testing scheduled:** St. Paul School will be holding another Kindergarten and TK testing date, **Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> grade age children.

**Important Information regarding Registration in 2018-2019:** 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 20<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, if you signed up for our **ELP Summer Program. You must have paid Registration/Enrollment in full by May 1<sup>st</sup>.** 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 2<sup>nd</sup>,** 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 starting April 12<sup>th</sup>.** Please see the flier for details.

**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](mailto: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.

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

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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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. We will have more information for you next week.

**FYI: The followings meetings are coming up:**

- **Auction for Education:** April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom
- **African American Heritage Committee:** Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom
- **Our next PTG Meeting:** Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the 4<sup>th</sup> 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:** Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom.
- **Cinco de Mayo Meeting:** Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall

### GOOD TO KNOW!

**ELP Summer Program announcement:** We still have 10 spots left for our summer program. The program will begin on Monday, June 18 and end July 20<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://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](http://www.st-paulschool.org) or go to [online.factsmgmt.com/aid](http://online.factsmgmt.com/aid) and clicking the "Applying for a Grant?" tab. All applications must be completed online.

**FunRun update:** The Fun Run website shows \$31,770.50 collected and \$36,537.65 pledged. So there is still some money to collect. collection letter you can send home with the due date for money returned as April 16. Please

encourage your child to ask family and friends who pledged and who have not paid to support them. As a reminder, per our yearly contract, each family is asked to participated pledging at least \$50 per child. If your family has not participated in this event at all, we ask you to pay the minimum \$50. If you do not, it will show on your final invoice for the year. Thank you

**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.

**Great Program dinner at Maple Hall at 5pm:** We want to congratulate Marisol and Leila in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade for being chosen by the San Pablo Police Department to represent St. Paul School. The ceremony will recognize all schools in San Pablo. The celebration will on April 12<sup>th</sup> at Maple Hall.

**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

**Resources:** This book is a must read....Glow Kids: How Screen Addiction Is Hijacking Our Kids - and How to Break the Trance

Kardaras will dive into the sociological, psychological, cultural, and economic factors involved in the global tech epidemic with one major goal: to explore the effect all of our wonderful shiny new technology is having on kids.

**This new information** about helping your children and other great research based articles has been uploaded under **the parent resource section**...be sure to check it out....Password is "pantherpride"

**"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 2017-2018 school year. **WE need your help to spread the word!**

**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](http://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.readingprogram.org](http://www.csueastbay.readingprogram.org)