



Saint Edward School

Parent Bulletin

One Body, Many Parts

February 15, 2012

Bulletin # 24

Wednesday	Feb. 15	-	12:30 Dismissal
Thursday	16	-	Formal Uniform 9am Mass SCRIP orders due by 3pm
Friday	17	-	NO SCHOOL Diocesan Staff Day
Saturday/Sunday	18/19	-	
Monday	20	-	NO SCHOOL President's Day
Tuesday	21	-	Burning of the Palms
Wednesday	22	-	12:30 Dismissal Formal Uniform 11am Mass – Ash Wednesday *New Student testing for grades 1-7 starts at 1:30pm

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your kind understanding with last Monday's meeting. With the diocesan changes to earlier budget development, we are all trying to adjust to earlier timelines, sometimes more successfully than other times. Unfortunately there are some budget areas that cannot be confirmed until a later time than is provided by the earlier deadlines. The school is working at its best to complete our work. Thank you for your continued patience as we work through our first year with this new timeline.

Sincerely,

Gregory M. Fonzeno
Principal

Virtue of the Month: Determination

CONGRATULATIONS to Abigail Abar-Calica, this week winner of our \$100 Monday's Raffle, mother of Aaron in 1st gr. Congratulation goes to Fred Hermogeno, winner of last week Monday's raffle, ticket sold by Tyler Soriano in 8th gr.

ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS: The Flu season is here! Influenza (the flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. Some people, such as the elderly, young children, and people with certain health conditions, are at high risk for serious complications from the flu. To help prevent the spread of the virus, we encourage the following:

- **Wash your hands often** with soap and water or an alcohol based hand sanitizer.
- **Cover your cough or sneeze.** Use a tissue, your sleeve or elbow.
Remember: one tissue per sneeze. Handkerchiefs are NOT recommended as they are not immediately disposable.
- **Avoid touching** your eyes, nose, and mouth
- **Avoid contact** with sick people
- **Stay home** if you are sick *until you feel well for at least 24 hours.*

MERRY MART UNIFORMS: Mid winter savings of 10% off everything in the store from February 17th to 29th. 33 Washington St., Santa Clara, 408*296*0423 or shop on-line at MerryMartUniforms.com.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART - This fundraising event will be held during PE classes the last week of February, which has been designated National Heart Month by the American Heart Association. Student fund raising efforts should now be in full swing. Please refer to the Donation Envelope for instructions and a link regarding online fundraising, the AHA's recommended method for safe and effective fundraising. Donation envelopes, along with the attached permission slip, are due Monday February 27th.

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING: We are in **GREAT** need of wonderful volunteers like you. We'll need help with set-up, running the fair, and takedown. We also need snack donations for the teacher preview and the Build-A-Book Party. **The fair will be open from February 24th - March 1st, 2012**, with set-up being on February 24th from 8:00-10:00AM. You don't want to miss out on this fabulous opportunity to promote reading in our school and of course earn those parent points! Please contact Ms. Colon at school or Jean Callo at tayandbren@gmail.com if you're interested or with any questions. If you can't make it to the actual fair to shop you can now shop online and it will still benefit our school and classroom libraries! You can also check out the St. Edward School Book Fair Homepage for more information @ <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/stedwardsch>

THE ANNUAL KLUTS BUILD-A -BOOK PARTY: will be back at our school on Saturday, February 25th from 11:00AM-12:30PM. Look for the RSVP form in this week's envelop so we can properly plan for a late morning of fun and creativity!

HAWAIIAN FREE DRESS DAY: Friday February 24th--This season's book fair theme is **BOOK FAIR LUAU**. So get out your bright floral wardrobe from the islands for this exciting reading event. We will have our Hawaiian Free Dress Day on Friday, February 24th, the first day of the book fair. Please refer to the Student/Parent Handbook to make sure you follow the free dress guidelines.

PHOTOS FROM PARENT FIESTA: The photographs from the Fiesta are uploaded and ready for viewing at: <http://vondrangraphics.com>. Click on the '2012 St Edward Fiesta Gala' gallery to view, share and order re-prints. Thanks for making this such a successful event and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

NEW STUDENT TESTING: Please remember that New Student Testing is on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 1:30pm. If you have a son or daughter entering first through seventh grade next year, or you have a friend or neighbor considering a transfer to St. Edward next year, please turn in your completed application to the office no later than February 16th to be included in this first testing date.

KINDERGARTEN TESTING: Please remember that Kindergarten Testing is on Saturday, February 25, 2012. If you have a son or daughter entering kindergarten next year, or you have a friend or neighbor considering kindergarten at St. Edward next year, please turn in your completed application to the office no later than Feb. 16th so we can schedule your actual time on February 25th.

ST EDWARDS PUBLICATION newspaper is now online.

PSAS APPLICATIONS are now available in the school office if you are considering needing any type of financial assistance with tuition next year. If you are currently receiving FACE, BASIC, or St. Edward School tuition assistance a new application was in a prior Wednesday envelope and must be completed and returned to the school office the first week of March. The deadline is strictly enforced due to the FACE application dates. If you have any questions you can call Shirlee Crockett at 793-7242, ext. 13. Copies of 2011 W-2's and filed federal forms for 2011 or 2010 will be accepted.

SCHOOLREACH UPDATE: Our parent notification system, SchoolReach now provides a way for you to hear the complete voice message sent to your phone. Due to lengthy voice mail greetings or other phone issues, some of you miss the complete message. Now, if that happens to you, you may call toll free 855-955-8500 from the phone that was called by SchoolReach and you will be able to hear the last message sent by us. Remember, SchoolReach is used primarily for emergencies and notifications affecting the majority of parents/students. If your child is ill or injured, Maria or Kathy will call not only the primary phone on file, but also cell phones, home phones and work phones trying to reach you. **Therefore, it is important to listen to your voice mail before calling the school based on a "missed call"**. You may just want to call this toll free number instead!

LOST AND FOUND: There many items in the Lost and Found Box. If you are missing any school sweatshirts, polo shirts, lunch items, jackets, etc. please look in the Lost and Found. You may find items in it you've been looking for at home.

ST. EDWARD CATHOLIC ADULT FAITH FORMATION: Doolan Center, 7:30 to 9:00pm:
Feb.15: Holy Order, Feb.22: Ash Wednesday, Feb. 29: Freedom, Sin, Grace.

PARENT POINT OPPORTUNIES

LUNCH TIME SUPERVISION NEEDED: We are in need of parents who can help with lunchtime supervision, especially on Mondays and Tuesdays. If you are still in need of parent points ~~~ or even if you do not need points but can help us, please contact the office. Please remember that supervisors must have completed the Diocesan Safe Environment online training, and have fingerprints cleared.

TRAFFIC SUPERVISION NEEDED: We are in need of parents who can help direct traffic in the morning. The need is from around 7:30 to 8am. Anyone who can help, whether one day or several days, is asked to contact the school. The hours will be included with your parent points.

WANT TO START EARNING THOSE NEEDED POINTS: Sign up for KIDS CLUB snack!! Even if you are not part of the KIDS CLUB Program, you can participate in this easy way to earn points. You can earn either 2 or 3 points by providing a daily snack; a list of suggested items will be given to you. Sign up by coming into KIDS CLUB (Doolan Center), calling 793-5663, e-mailing Marylou at mparsons@stedwardnewark.org, or at PTG Meetings.

FAQ ~~~~~FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW DO I KNOW WHEN AN EVENT IS HAPPENING? Check the Bulletin and online calendar for the current week/month; **for future events, look at “Key Dates for this school year”** ex. Easter break, last day of school, etc., under Publications on the website or “School Highlights” in the Parent Handbook, starting on page 37.

WALK-A-THON: Edith Gutierrez at edithpgutierrez@gmail.com or Kris de Guzman at kdeguzman2000@yahoo.com.

RAFFLE TICKETS & PARENT POINTS: email Christabelle Dagon – cdagun@waverleysurgery.com.

GIFT WRAP FUNDRAISER: Eric & Mischa White—any question contact Eric at 825-3630.

SCRIP ORDER QUESTIONS: contact Yu Fortunak at 324-1988 or Rocio Lopez at 376-9850.

HOT LUNCH VOLUNTEER: questions or to volunteer, please contact Mercedes Santiago at becerra_parents@yahoo.com.

CHOICE LUNCH WEB SITE: www.choicelunch.com registration code: **Edward**

ST. EDWARD SCHOOL COMMUNICATION: stedwardcommunicationcommittee@yahoo.com

PLEASE VISIT THE CYO WEBSITE for the latest news updates & scores throughout the school year
www.stedwardcyo.org.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: website: www.shieldthevulnerable.org

LIVSCAN FINGERPRINTING, call the Safe Environment office at 510-267-8315 or Marshall Mitzman in Hayward at 510- 293-9140 for appointments.

SCHOOL COUNSELOR: Guinnivere Bohnsack email: stedwardcounselor@gmail.com or gbohnsack@stedwardnewark.org & Paige Whiteside email pwhiteside@stedwardnewark.org.

KIDS CLUB NEWS

KIDS CLUB BILLS: KIDS CLUB bills for January use of childcare are due; payments received after today, February 15, incur a \$25 late fee.

KIDS CLUB 2011 TAX STATEMENTS: 2011 TAX STATEMENTS FOR CHILDCARE were sent home in your envelopes on January 25. Many of you received two statements; please note that one is for JANUARY 1, 2011, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2011, and the other one is for JULY 1, 2011, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011. Add the **HIGHLIGHTED** numbers together to get your total. **PLEASE KEEP THESE COPIES AS THEY WILL BE THE ONLY ONES AVAILABLE.**

SOCCER CLINIC: KIDS CLUB is offering a “ Soccer: Foot Skills Clinic” every Friday in February from 3:45-4:30pm. Joel, one of our KIDS CLUB staff members has not only played soccer for over 20 years, including college play, but coached competitive teams for over 5 years. He is bringing this expertise to our program with specific skills being taught each Friday. There is no cost to participate but sign-up is necessary. Please make sure to send your child if you signed up for the program. If they are not going to be able to make it, please let us know; we are full and others are interested if we do have openings.

WEDNESDAYS IN FEBRUARY: If your child attends KIDS CLUB on Wednesdays, please make sure to send a lunch with them as hot lunch is NOT available.

Wed, February 15: Valentine Sock Hop

Wed, February 22: Game Day

Wed, February 29: Family Matters: Leap Year Game Competition

We are also hosting a “Mardi Gras” party in KIDS CLUB on Tuesday, February 21.

If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact Marylou Parsons at mparsons@stedwardnewark.org or at 793-5663.