

Dear Parents,

I would like to extend a very special thank you to all the volunteers who gave so generously of their time to ensure the Crab Feed was such an awesome event. With over 600 guests in attendance, our event chair (Jenny Champoux – alumni parent), food chair (Angelica Espindola – alumni parent), volunteer coordinator (Julia Romero) and all the volunteers had their hands full with all the responsibilities of taking care of such a big crowd. I heard back from La Salle that our clean-up crew did an outstanding job – thank you to those who helped out and a special thank you to Brandy Spry and Julie Clark for keeping things on track. Special thanks to La Salle High School for the use of their gymnasium for our event.

## **RE-REGISTRATION - ITEMS TO KEEP IN MIND:**

- To re-register, your tuition balance must be current.
- When you turn in your Promissory Note: please
  - review your family information sheet, making corrections as needed.
  - include your completed Fresh Catch Family Requirement form.
  - include your completed Promissory Note w/ the registration fee(s) for your child(ren)
    - If you are adding a new student, please add their name to the Promissory Note & see Mrs. Balmer for a registration form.

**FISH FRYDAY:** Our chair, Manuel Villafan and his organizational team are already ramping up plans for this great community event. Opening night will be Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> followed by 5 more fun fill Friday nights of serving fish, chips, coleslaw, and refreshments. The committee is seeking parent volunteers to ensure each night is a wonderful success. Please look for the enclosed volunteer sign-up flyer for all the options. It takes a dedicated team and we are counting on your help to make it happen. Come join us!!

**GARDENS ON CAMPUS PROJECT:** In an effort to provide some color to the playground and provide amazing STEM learning experiences to our students, I am looking into starting an apple bin garden project this spring. I have met with a representative from the Master Gardeners and have two teachers on board to co-chair the project. The idea is to start with 4 bins (preferably wooden & donated w/ logos) on to campus, filled with soil and then plant vegetables, flowers, etc. (under the recommendation & direction of the Master Gardeners). My hope is that we can get started in March by having all the physical materials in place and then start getting hands dirty after spring break. If you would be interested in helping get this project up and running, please contact me at [gpleger@sjmms.org](mailto:gpleger@sjmms.org) or 575-5557. Thank you for your support of this incredible opportunity for our students.

**BOON SUPPLY:** With the leadership of Natalie Martinkus, a member of the parent board has worked out details with Boon Supply to create a 'Shop to Support' opportunity for our school community. Please review the enclosed flyer for all the details. Share this great opportunity with friends & family. Visit Boon Supply at [www.boonsupply.com/st-joseph-marquette](http://www.boonsupply.com/st-joseph-marquette)  
The school will receive 40% of all online orders; these funds will help get new playground equipment.

**BRICKS 4 KIDZ** is offering a new session called WHEELS IN MOTION. They meet on Tuesday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:15 in the cafeteria. The weekly STEM focused lessons will investigate axles, pulleys, gears, and motors using LEGO's as the medium for exploration. There is still time to sign up your child. 3 easy ways to register: visit [www.bricks4kidz.com/462](http://www.bricks4kidz.com/462), call 945-5484 or send a message to Andy at [asauer@bricks4kidz.com](mailto:asauer@bricks4kidz.com)  
Next session begins on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$60 for the 6 week session.

**KOSTKA CLUB NEWS:** The following students are scheduled to serve at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at Saint Joseph Church. Please arrive at church by 8:15.

**Servers: Lupita Pulido, Shannon Wilmes, Anya & Karis O’Brine**

## **SCHOOL CALENDAR AT A GLANCE**

Wednesday the 6 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. room 16
Thursday the 7 <sup>th</sup>	Middle School Social Media workshop from 1:30 to 2:30 in the auditorium
Friday the 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SCHOOL LITURGY</b> at 8:40
Wednesday the 13 <sup>th</sup>	Honors Dessert – 1:30 in the auditorium (1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter First Honors students)
Friday the 15 <sup>th</sup>	Early Release – 11:25 a.m.
Monday the 18 <sup>th</sup>	NO SCHOOL in honor of President’s Day
Thursday the 21 <sup>st</sup>	School Finance Committee meeting at 5:30 pm
	School Commission meeting at 7:00 pm
Friday the 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>SCHOOL LITURGY</b> at 8:40

*Blessings,  
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