
SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL



PARENT NEWSLETTER

September 1, 2010

Be Responsible Be Respectful Be Kind
Be Honest Be Your Best!

Dear Parents,

Another year is upon us and we have had a fantastic beginning. Ice cream social was a great event with over 500 dishes of ice cream served! Students and teachers eagerly met one another.

The first day of school almost went without a hitch. A broken water pipe on the field did not dampen our spirits. Many parents enjoyed our BooHoo Yahoo breakfast. Our opening day prayer service was beautiful with Student Council leading us as we prayed for this year's students, parents, and staff.

A great year is in store for us. Thank you for entrusting your children to us. We look forward to seeing you at the Back-to-School Nights next week.

Sincerely,

Barbara Picco
Principal

Dan Schuh
Vice-Principal

WELCOME!

Special thanks to...

Suzy Lampe (Nick is in 8th grade), **Annie Kassman** (Lucas is in 8th grade) and their Eagle Group helpers who hosted our wonderful Ice Cream Social.

Julie Viana (Alison is in 3rd grade, Jenna is in 5th grade), **Pauline Gronstad** (Grace is in 2nd grade, Emma is in 4th grade, Megan is in 5th grade) and **Do Borman** (Jack is in 6th grade) who hosted our exciting BooHoo Yahoo breakfast.

Barry Pedler (Daniel is in 2nd grade, Cristina is in 5th grade), **Jon Truttman** (Rachel is in 5th grade, Riley is in 6th grade) and **Phil Lampe** (Nick is in 8th grade) for watching our grass grow this summer as they prepared our field to look better than it has in a long time.

Lela Mattera (Isabella is in 5th grade, Andrew is in 6th grade) and **Jennifer Kroll** (Austin is in 5th grade) for their amazing work with the used uniform sale. They launder every uniform and display the uniforms just like a department store. What an incredible job they do! This year, they made a profit of about \$4,000.00, half of which will go toward our last dollars needed to complete the playground for Project P.L.A.Y.


all of you who joined us for our Saint John Parish Festival in August.

Thank You!


Student Council Commissioner of Athletics **J.D. Carney** (6th grade) who was able to get new shorts for our sports' teams as well as soccer balls, basketballs, and footballs.

our **Student Council** who helped out at the Ice Cream Social and who led our prayer service on opening day.

all of you who went to Round Table Pizza last Wednesday and supported our first dine-out event.

all of you who helped out with the voting for the  grant. The voting ended last night and Cure JM came in first place and will be receiving a \$250,000.00 grant. Great news!

YEARLY DISCLAIMER

 We appreciate each and every one of you. Each week we thank some people for what they do for our school. Please do not feel slighted if your name is not mentioned. We could not possibly thank each of you for all you do. We are all working for the good of our children and that is what is important.

Please keep in your prayers...

Derek Thomas'06 who continues to go through surgeries and treatment following the car accident on August 9.

all the young men and women who were killed or injured in the car accident.

Congratulations to...



our **Journalism club** for their outstanding showing at the Del Mar Fair. They were awarded Best Content and Coverage, Best Story Quality, and BEST OF SHOW for our outstanding school newspaper.

Announcements...



FLYERS ENCLOSED

Be sure you look at each of the attachments with this week's newsletter.

1. letter from Patricia Medeiros, our school counselor
2. Sing 'n Speak Spanish after school program – grades k-3
3. Monart after school program
4. after school guitar lessons
5. DramAntiks after school program
6. Play it Safe
7. September lunch menu



WATCH FOR THESE ITEMS TODAY (3)

Your **yearly calendar** is coming home today – one per family. Please post it on your refrigerator so you will be aware of all activities. We will advise you if there are any changes. There is an abbreviated version of the handbook in the calendar. The entire handbook may be viewed on our website. Also coming home is a **tri-fold regarding our Scrip program**. Please purchase gift cards and register your other cards. This is a simple way to earn money for our school. An **insurance form** is also going home. The school does provide insurance for any school-related accidents. The insurance form is for extra insurance.

BAND

We will be having a band program again this year. The students will receive information on it on September 9 when they have an assembly to learn about the program. You are welcome to join us for the assembly if you would like to hear how the program works. Third through eighth graders may join the band. Assembly is in the hall at 1:00 on September 9.

BOOSTER CLUB

Watch for more information about our new Booster Club which is being formed to support all our teams – both athletic and academic.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHTS

We look forward to seeing you for **K-5 back-to-school night on Wednesday, September 8**. Please meet in the hall at 6:30. After our meeting in the hall, there will be two sessions in each of the classrooms in case you have more than one child. The first session will begin at 7:05 and the second session will begin at 7:30. **The middle school back-to-school night is Thursday, September 9**. Please meet in your child's homeroom classroom. You will then have an opportunity to follow your child's daily schedule.

SERVICE HOURS

We have a new method of recording service hours this year. You do not have to worry about keeping a chart at home. There will be a binder in the front office. Each family will have a page. All you have to do is record your hours when you drop by the office. We hope this will make it easier on you to remember to record your hours. *The binder will be available after Back-to-School Night next week.*

VOLUNTEERS

Please remember that all volunteers who work with our children need to be live scanned and TB tested. In an effort to make this as easy as possible for you, the Live Scan company will be on campus Wednesday, September 8 from 5:30P.M. – 7:00P.M. Please make an appointment by calling the office and speaking with Marlene Cruz. If this does not work for you, please pick up a registration form and list of nearby live scan facilities from the office.

Again this year, Dr. Hitchcock has volunteered to do TB testing at his office. We are very grateful for this special service for our parents.

La Costa Pediatrics
3257 Camino de los Coches
Suite 301 in Carlsbad, CA 92009
(760)633-3640



SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board is a wonderful group of parents and parishioners who work together for the good of our school. The School Board is an advisory body working particularly in the areas of alumni, strategic planning, facilities and finance. At this time, we are taking applications for new members. If you are interested in serving Saint John School as a member of the School Board, please pick up an application in the office.

MAGAZINE DRIVE—COOKIE DOUGH— GIFT WRAP SALE

Our big fundraiser begins September 8 and runs through September 24. We would really like to have 100% participation from our students. Please SELL, SELL, SELL! We rely on the proceeds of this to help with our operational budget as we try to keep tuition affordable.

NEW PLAYGROUND STRUCTURE

Some of you have been excited to view part of the structure from the parking lot. It is going to be wonderful. However, it is not quite ready for play. As soon as it is, we will invite you all to see it.

HOT DOG LUNCH

Thursday, September 2

Hot Dogs \$1.00—Drink and Chips \$1.00
Barbecued and served by your principal
and vice-principal!

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS



PLEASE EMAIL Coach Balelo if your son or daughter is planning on participating in this fall's sports as soon as possible. The sports are Volleyball for the girls and Flag Football for the boys. This way Coach Balelo can forward your email to the coach or team parent.

If your son or daughter intends on playing this fall please download the Sports participation form from the "Athletics" link on the school website and pay the necessary fees. The sport's fees require a \$40 check toward participation and an entirely separate \$50 check that will act as a uniform deposit. Upon receiving your child's uniform at the completion of the season that \$50 check will be nullified and destroyed. Please do not give Coach Balelo one single check for \$90.

We still need coaches, so if you would like to volunteer to coach one of this fall's sports, please email coach Balelo as soon as possible.

PLEASE become a part of the St. John Athletics community by joining and supporting our new St. John Booster Club. Details will be coming soon.

If you still have uniforms hidden in the closet from last year, please return them immediately.



SCRIP NEWS



Welcome back Saint John School (SJS) families and many thanks to all the families who stopped by the Scrip Booth at the Ice Cream Social last week.

- **Scrip Programs-** The eScrip Program and The Great Lakes Scrip Gift Card Program. **Both programs are FREE to participate in!** Any questions contact Yoli McGalliard, 2010-11 SJS Scrip Coordinator at yolimcg@yahoo.com.
- **Scrip Brochure-** Watch for scrip brochure among other important school paperwork this week. **Read brochure** for information regarding signing up for eScrip and purchasing scrip gift cards.
- **eScrip-** SJS and the Eagle Group hope for close to 100% participation from SJS families with eScrip! **Start registering your Vons, Macy's, debit and credit cards, by just clicking on the eScrip banner at www.saintjohnschool.com.**
- **Great Lakes gift cards-** Purchase grocery store, gas, STARBUCKS, Panera and Jamba Juice gift cards, available in the SJS scrip box during office hours at the SJS office. **Current SJS scrip box gift card list is posted on the SJS website under the header SCRIP.** To purchase other gift cards available through Great Lakes, view the special order gift card list under the header SCRIP. Order form and special order calendar are also there. **First scrip gift card SPECIAL ORDER due September 8th at 8 AM. Order form only needs to be printed, filled out and turned in with payment to the school office.** Payment can be made in cash, checks made out to Saint John School, or credit card (MC or VISA for payments over \$100.00 only).
- **Scrip Information-** Scrip information is available via the scrip brochure and the SJS website, under the header SCRIP. Get weekly scrip updates via the SJS newsletter and occasional e-mail blasts. **Become part of the SJS scrip e-mail group, for more frequent information regarding scrip box gift card inventory and special orders, by contacting Yoli McGalliard at yolimcg@yahoo.com.**
- **Scrip Volunteers-** Earn family volunteer hours and help keep tuition costs at a reasonable rate by volunteering for the Scrip Committee! **Needs are: assistance with inventoring and dividing gift cards, and selling scrip at the school carlines and special events.** If interested, contact Yoli McGalliard at yolimcg@yahoo.com.



SPIRIT AND STEWARDSHIP DAY Friday, September 3

Wear spirit shirts.
Bring canned goods for the needy.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHTS

Wednesday, September 8
Grades K-5



Thursday, September 9
Grades 6-8

PIZZA NIGHT FOR AMANDA POST



Amanda is one of the girls who was killed in that tragic accident. **Tomorrow night, Thursday, September 2, there will be a benefit for the Amanda Post Memorial Scholarship Fund.**

Amanda worked part-time for Leucadia Pizzeria at the Rancho Santa Fe restaurant and absolutely loved her employers, the managers and all the employees with whom she worked. The generosity of everyone at Leucadia Pizzeria has been, and continues to be, absolutely tremendous, and the Post family lack the words to adequately express their gratitude to the owners, managers and employees of Leucadia Pizzeria.

On Thursday, September 2, 2010 all day and evening (from opening at 11:00 a.m. to closing at 9:00 p.m.), the owners of Leucadia Pizzeria have announced that 20% of the proceeds from all sales for the entire day and evening (including dining in, pick up and delivery) will be given to the "Amanda Post Memorial Scholarship Fund".

The Post family invites everyone to come to either Leucadia Pizzeria location on September 2nd and enjoy delicious meals knowing that they are also supporting Amanda's Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Leucadia Pizzeria
 315 So. Coast Hwy 101
 Encinitas, CA 92024
 (760) 942-2222
 (corner of 101 and Encinitas Blvd.
 near Moonlight Beach in Encinitas)

Leucadia Pizzeria
 16085 San Dieguito Rd.
 Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067
 (858) 759-2222



Magazine Drive/Cookie Dough/Gift Wrap Sale

September 8 – September 24

Sell Sell Sell

GOLF TOURNAMENT

A great event is being planned on October 25 at Morgan Run.

Get your golf clubs ready!

SAVE THE DATE Saturday, February 26

Our biggest fundraiser of the year will be having a big "face lift" this year. Be watching for details. You will not want to miss out on the fun!



DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, September 2

Hot Dog Lunch

Friday, September 3



Food Pantry Friday 
 Bike, Walk, Carpool Day
 Spirit Day—Spirit Shirts and Blue Jeans may be worn.
 12:00 Dismissal

Monday, September 6

Labor Day Holiday

Wednesday, September 8

Magazine Drive/Cookie Dough/Gift Wrap Sale begins.
 6:30 K-5 Back-to-School Night—Meet in hall.
 Scrip Orders due.

Thursday, September 9

6:30 6-8 Back-to-School Night—Meet in homerooms.

Please join us in praying our SLE prayer
which all of your children are learning this year.



Heavenly Father,

As students at Saint John the Evangelist School, we ask Your blessing on us as we strive to become **Christ-centered persons** who truly follow the teachings of Jesus. Help us to respect all of creation, to turn to You in prayer, and to be grateful for the gift of faith.

Help us in our quest to be **life-long learners** and to think carefully while learning from our mistakes and successes. May we always strive to do our best and to share Your love through our actions.

Please lead us to be **responsible citizens** who respect and serve others. Teach us to always be helpful and courteous and to show good sportsmanship. May our actions and decisions always give glory to You whom we love above all things.

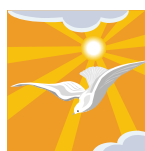
Amen.

*We are the Body of Christ.
Our life is mission.*

You can reach us at...
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MISSION STATEMENT

Saint John School, a Christ-centered environment, empowers our children to gain a thorough understanding of the Catholic faith, achieve their highest academic potential, and share Christ's love through Christian action.



School Wide Learning Expectations (SLEs)

A graduate of Saint John School will be a spiritual and well-rounded



CHRIST-CENTERED PERSON who:

Follows the teachings of Jesus to love God and others.
Respects and protects everything that God has created.
Prays any time, any place.

Learns and understands the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church.

Takes part in the Mass, other liturgies, and sacraments.
Demonstrates thankfulness for the gift of faith.

ACTIVE, LIFE-LONG LEARNER who:

Always tries to do his or her best.
Is excited to learn as much as possible.
Is a polite and careful listener and communicator.
Thinks carefully to plan and make decisions.
Learns from both mistakes and successes.

RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN who:

Accepts responsibility and consequences for actions.
Shares time and talent with others.
Respects self and others.
Makes healthy choices.
Is helpful and courteous.
Demonstrates good sportsmanship.