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--TUESDAY , JANUARY 26, 2010 MEMO--

TARGET DATES:

Wednesday, January 27	Vision Testing
Thursday, January 28	Free Dress for December and January Birthdays or earned passes
Friday, January 29	School Liturgy in church 9:30 AM
Sunday, January 31	Open House 11:00AM - 1:00PM Liturgy in church 9:30 AM Book Fair in School Library
Wednesday, February 3	Grandparents Day 2PM Dismissal
Saturday, February 6	Athletic Club Meeting 7PM PTG Crab Feed

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Applications for Tuition Assistance

Applications for diocesan and school tuition assistance are now in the office. Please pick up an application packet and **return** it to the office by **March 23, 2010** to allow us ample time to meet the application deadline of April 5th. All Tax documentation and wage information must be included with your application when turned into the office to ensure that everything is received by the deadlines. Please apply for all tuition assistance that is available: FACE, PACE (Schools), Guardsmen(available on line) and Basic Fund (Application available in the office). If you don't qualify for one, you might qualify for another. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the office.

TARDIES

There have been too many tardies in the last few weeks. School begins promptly at 8:00 a.m. with morning assembly. Morning assembly and prayer is as much a part of the school day as other curricular areas. Tardies cause compound problems for traffic patrol, the office and the classroom. Please help teach your child be a **Responsible Citizen who meets deadlines and arrives on time**. Make it a family new year' resolution to work on arriving on time for school each day. Thank you.

Intent to return Forms

Please remember to fill out the "Intent to return form" that you have received in a prior Tuesday envelope and return it to the office as soon as possible. If you even think you may not be returning next year, please indicate this on the form. We need to get an idea of how many openings per grade we will have next year. If you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank You.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE

Catholic Schools Week is an occasion to celebrate one another and to support and promote Catholic School education. We are proud of our heritage and of our contribution to education across the country. Sunday, January 31 we invite all to the Kindergarten Liturgy at 9:30 a.m. followed by Open House in the school from 11:00 until 1:00 p.m. We welcome our many grandparents on Wednesday, February 3 and everyone to our other activities during the week. **Applications for new students are available in the school office.**

Sunday, January 31 – Kindergarten Liturgy and Open House, please join us and see the wonderful work your son/daughter is doing

Monday, February 1 – Twin or Group Day-Come dressed as twins or dressed the same in a group

Tuesday, February 2 – Brainiac Day

**Wednesday, February 3 – Grandparents day (School Uniform)
Class visitation 10:30 – 12:00, Lunch @ 12:00 PM**

Thursday, February 4 – Super Hero Day / Spirit Rally.

Friday, February 5 – Wacky – Tacky Day / Family Day 1:00 – 2:40

On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday if students come in Free Dress without participating in the assigned dress they will receive a detention and lose their Friday Free Dress Day.

GRANDPARENTS DAY

On Wednesday, February 3rd, grandparents are invited to come and visit the classrooms. Sign-in will be from 10:15-10:35 in the school gym. Lunch will be served to the grandparents at noon. Please return RSVP forms to the office for the lunch by Wednesday, Jan.27th. If any parents need PPP hrs and would like to work this event call Catherine Zaragoza 510-222-4295

“CUPIDS CRAB FEAST”

The St. John's Church is holding the Annual Parish Crab Feed on Saturday, February 13, 2010 in the school auditorium. There will be a No Host Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres galore at 6:00 PM and Dinner at 7:00 PM. The dinner includes all the crab you can eat, pasta, salad, rolls, and assortment of desserts, coffee and tea. There will be a raffle and mini-auction to raise funds for the Church. Cost is \$40.00 per person.

2010 BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

This is it!!!! We're doing it again and it's going to be better than ever! This year the theme is "A Tribute to Michael Jackson." **Volunteers are Needed!** We're seeking parent and community volunteers to help with music, choreography, costumes, program, rehearsals, food, decorations, etc. If you are interested in volunteering or **your child would like to be a part of the program**, please email Sonja Poole at sonja@cal.berkeley.edu or call her at 510-882-1908. We welcome all talents!

HURRY, HURRY AND BUY YOUR TICKETS!!! YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS IT!!!!!!

ST. JOHN'S PTG CRAB FEED

On Saturday, February 6, 2010 the St. John's PTG will host its annual Crab Feed (in the school auditorium). Tickets are \$35.00 per person. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner to follow at 7 p.m. Menu: Crab, Pasta, Green Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert & Coffee. Tickets are available in the school office . Tickets are on a first come first serve basis.

Please remember to purchase your tickets by Friday, January 29th.

We need to be able to get an accurate account of attendance. Thank you for supporting your school PTG This event has been "sold out" in prior years – so don't wait to get your tickets.

This Crab Feed will be dedicated in the memory of our beloved Principal, Mrs. Terry Barber, who loved to attend the Crab Feed on an annual basis. Please come and support the Crab Feed in her memory. We will have a toast in her honor.



OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 31, 2010. We are looking for volunteers to help at the PTG booth between 10 am-1 pm. Hours earned will go towards PPP. For more information, please call C. Lisa Lee at (415) 608-9052 or email at clisalee@yahoo.com. Thank you.

Help Wanted: Spring Book Fair Volunteers

It's that time again! The Spring Book Fair is right around the corner and will be held this year from January 31st to February 7th. Our theme is Book Fair Diner and we're going to serve our kids extra helpings of reading! We are looking for volunteers to help set up, organize, or do sales during the school day. Every hour spent volunteering at the book fair earns one PPP hour...and set up and break down earn time and a half. Interested? Call Angela at 510.685.1279 or email angelamcharles@mac.com.

Women's Covenant Group

The Wednesday Women's Covenant Group has selected their latest book study as "Angels of God; The Bible, The Church and the Heavenly Hosts" by Mike Aquilina. He is a great author of many books and series on Church history, doctrine and devotion. If you are looking for a way to find a deeper meaning in your spiritual life for this New Year, we recommend this short book packed full of information from the Saints and Church teaching. "Everything you ever wanted to know about angels and never asked", Reverend T.G. Morrow. This is a great book you can study on your own as well. The Women's Group meets on Wednesdays in the Community Center from approximately 12 noon until 2 p.m. For questions please call Pam Vincent at 510-233-6486.

CALLING ALL RUNNERS!!!!!!

Track season will begin on Monday, February 1st. Sign ups will be at 5:00pm in the back parking lot at St. John's School. Sign up packets will be provided at that time. We hope to see you there.

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting

If your child is in 4th grade or above and in need of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance, Confession), there will be a Parent Meeting on Thursday, February 4th in the School Library from 7:00- 8:30 p.m.

Please reserve on your calendar the date of Thursday, March 4th for the beautiful candlelit Ceremony of First Reconciliation at 7:00 p.m, immediately following Lenten Mass.

For questions call Pam Vincent at 510-233-6486.

ALTAR SERVERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND ARE:

Saturday, January 30

5:00 PM Mass ~ Matt Kelley

Sunday, January 31

8:00 AM Mass ~ Jacob Shafer

9:30 AM Mass ~ Eric Pena

11:00 AM Mass ~ Peter Sekona / Francisco Fernandez

12:30 PM Mass ~ Oshani and Onalli Gunasekara

If you cannot serve, please bring in a substitute. Thanks