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--TUESDAY , MARCH 9, 2010 MEMO--

TARGET DATES:

Wednesday, March 10	12 Noon Dismissal-Teacher Root Share Day Free Dress w/purchased pass
Saturday, March 13	Endowment Dinner 6:00PM – 11:00PM in Gym
Friday, March 19	Teacher Retreat, Student Holiday- NO SCHOOL St. John Church Fish Fry
Tuesday, March 30	Free Dress for March Birthdays or Earned Pass Olympa-thon Kick off
Wednesday, March 31	12 Noon Dismissal, Free Dress w/purchased Pass

*******START OF EASTER VACATION – NO SCHOOL*******

APRIL 1 – APRIL 11(Please note this is a change from the Handbook)

SCHOOL RESUMES, MONDAY, APRIL 12, 2010

A LETTER FROM MR. WALTON

A job “well done” by our second grade at Mass on Friday and Sunday. They were truly Christian leaders. A “thank you” to our student government, especially Devin Virassammy and Sam Pajuleras, for their work with the hot chocolate sales. The proceeds are going to relief efforts in Haiti.

There was a mistake in the school handbook schedule for the end of this month. Wednesday March 31st is a noon dismissal day. Thursday April 1st is a holiday, the first day of the Easter break.

This Wednesday is a noon dismissal. The teachers will be meeting with teachers from the other local schools.

A reminder, to all parents and students of the importance of being on time to school. I understand the occasional problem with traffic, but continued tardiness puts your child at a disadvantage. We need to instill our children the need to be responsible. Please make every effort to be on time for school. Thank you.

Bill Walton
Acting Principal

Need PPP Hours!!

Volunteers are needed for the 2009 Endowment Gala Event, Saturday, March 13, 2010. Volunteers are needed for Silent Auction Set-up, Greeters, Silent Auction Closing, Sign-in Table, etc.

If you would like to work at this year’s event, please contact any of the St. John’s School Board members for more information and to sign-up.

St. John the Baptist School 24th Annual Endowment Event

Tuition alone does not cover the actual cost of a Saint John’s education, a financial fact that makes annual giving crucial to ensuring the excellence of our programs.

The Parent Teacher Group (PTG), Athletic Club, and School Board sponsor annual fundraising efforts to support academic and co-curricular programs. Last year, their combined efforts raised over \$30,000 to support school programs. Achieving Saint John the Baptist’s educational goals requires an ongoing commitment of time, treasure, and talent from our school community. Thanks to the level of support from our community, and friends, our school is flourishing. Our contributors can take tremendous pride in their role in making the school such a special place.

On March 13, 2010, St. John's will have its 24th annual dinner dance and auction to raise money for the Endowment Fund.

The Endowment Fund provides tuition assistance and helps the school offer an enriched curriculum and maintain a diverse student body. Over the past five years the Endowment Fund has help to sponsor field trips, music programs, service learning projects, as well as, purchase computers, science lab materials and art supplies.

Tax-deductible contributions to our Endowment Fund offset the program costs of educating our children, and provide tuition assistance to deserving families.

Your support of this event is so important. Please know that any and every contribution you make toward this event will go far in education and enriching the lives of our children.

For tickets or information, please contact Rachel Epperson at 510-223-3956 or Frances Renty Williams at 510-384-8203.

Thank you, in advance, for your support!

ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS

Enrollment applications for new students are now in the office. If you know of a family interested in sending their children to St. John's, please have them call or come by the office for an application. We are currently accepting applications and testing for kindergarten. Please call the office to schedule testing for new students in other grades (510) 234-2244.

Spread the Word: St. John School is a wonderful place to learn!

St. John's is a great place. You know it better than anyone else, so who better to help recruit new families to our school than our existing parents?

This spring, PTG will give 10 PPP hours for every *new* family you recommend to the school that *enrolls!* We especially need kindergartners.

So be sure to spread the word about St. John School to your friends, family, coworkers...anyone who's looking for a great place for their kids to learn!

For additional information contact Secretary at 510.234.2244 or kbrown@csdo.org.

For additional information to share regarding the school, visit our website at www.stjohnec.org.

Applications for Tuition Assistance

Applications for all 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), and Basic Fund (Application available on line @ www.basicfund.org). 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.

PPP NEWS AND INFORMATION:

This school year is flying by and spring is just around the corner. If you have not already completed 2/3 of your PPP contract hours before April 1st NOW IS THE TIME TO GET THEM DONE!! Families who have not completed at least 2/3 of their contract hours will be billed at the rate of \$25 per remaining PPP hours. Payment is made to St. John's School and is due by April 15th. Refunds will be made at the end of the school year for hours subsequently worked. Wouldn't you rather help our school by completing your hours then have to add to the gloom of tax day? Just a thought...

HOURS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

- ENDOWMENT DINNER: Set up, Clean up, service
- OLYMPATHON: Contact Lisa Lee or Kim Sahouria for details
- 8TH GRADE DINNER/DANCE: Set up, serving, clean up - Contact school office for details
- SPELLATHON: Contact Melinda Kuroki(2nd grade parent)

BOYS SANDVOLLEYBALL

The 2010 Boy's Sand Volleyball Season is starting next week! This sport is open to boys in 5th -8th grade. We will be having our first practice and sign-ups on Thursday, March 11th @ 6 PM. Practice is on Thursday's only! Games are played on Sunday's @ Quarry Lakes in Fremont. There is also a fee for the uniforms. Any questions please do not hesitate to call Mark Molinar @ 510-932-1051 or email: socwkrman@comcast.net.

*****PARENTS: FOR GRADES 5th and 6th, I will need a parent to coach those grades**

STUDENT GOVERNMENT HOT CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Our Hot Chocolate fundraiser was a major success. On behalf of the Student Government, I would like to give "thanks" to all the students who helped support the country of Haiti during this rough time. You have helped us raise over \$600(excluding deductions), and the Student Government is planning to team up with other schools to send more money to help victims of the earthquake.

I would also like to give "thanks" to the 6th and 8th grade students who sacrificed their time and talent to help us during the entire week. We really appreciated the help that you offered. I would also like to thank my business partner, Devin Virassammy, for the tremendous help and management.

Finance Commissioner
Sam Pajuleras

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Have You Ever Wondered.....

What was it like to live as a slave in Bible Times? How did they make mummies? What happened to Joseph (the guy with the colorful coat)? Find the answers to these questions - and more- in Egypt! this year's 9th Annual Vacation Bible Day Camp. The adventure will last from June 21-25th 2010 at St. John's. Celebration begins at 9 a.m. and the day's journey ends at 5 p.m. for most campers. Morning option available, for Pre-School and Kindergarten students. Reserve the time to visit Egypt, Joseph's Journey From Prison to Palace. The St. John's Children's Religious Education Program will be sponsoring this event. Keep watching, Registration forms will be out soon.

DAYCARE NEWS

To all Parents picking up students at 2:45. **You must leave the schoolyard before the gate closes @ 3:00.** Students attending Daycare need to use the yard. Thank you for your cooperation, Mrs. Rita

ALTAR SERVERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND ARE:

Saturday, March 13	5:00 PM Mass ~Jordan Phan / Madison Phan
Sunday, March 14	8:00 AM Mass ~ Oshani Gunasekara / Onalli Gunasekara
	9:30 AM Mass ~Sammy Pajuleras / Mike Jerez
	11:00 AM Mass ~Juliane Corpus
	12:30 PM Mass ~Karl Moore / Darion Sales

If you cannot serve, please get a substitute, Thanks

