

## **St. James' News, April 9, 2010**

Dear Parent: We hope that you and your family enjoyed the Spring Break and have settled back into the school schedule this week. Here are current announcements from St. James' Episcopal School.

### **SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

Please help us ensure that all students come to school in the correct uniform. We have uniforms to encourage students to approach the academic day in a business-like way, to foster unity and pride, and to discourage competition in clothing. You can contact us or refer to pages 29-30 of our *Parent and Student Handbook*, posted online at <http://www.sjsla.org/psf.html>, if you have questions about our school uniform.

### **WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD**

Our Preschool will have special activities every day next week in honor of Week of the Young Child. We are looking for parents to help with pony rides and the petting zoo Wednesday, April 14. If you can volunteer, please contact Mrs. Matolek, Preschool Director, at 213-738-7871.

### **PARENT FORUM APRIL 13**

You are invited to attend a Parent Forum Tuesday, April 13 from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Hampton Hall, upstairs in the Parish Hall. This event provides an opportunity to meet privately with the Head of School, members of the school administrative team, and a small group of Board members to discuss issues of interest. The Parent Forums take place every other month before the scheduled Board meeting.

**ALL-SCHOOL CHAPEL**All-School Chapel will be Wednesday, April 14 at 8:45 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend and encouraged to bring a donation of canned or dried food for the St. James' Church food pantry.

### **SIMPLE SUPPER**

Chef Julia provides a simple supper in the Parish Hall every Wednesday evening from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Suggested donation is \$5 per person.

### **SCIENCE FAIR AND OPEN HOUSE**

Our Science Fair will be in St. James' Hall Wednesday, April 14 at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

### **SIXTH GRADE FUNDRAISER**

Our Sixth Graders will sell food items including California Rolls, dumplings,

fried chicken, fruit, cookies, and beverages at the Science Fair and Open House on Wednesday, April 14. Please come hungry and support the Sixth Graders as they raise money for their class gift.

#### IN-N-OUT LUNCH

We will have an In-N-Out fundraising lunch Thursday, April 15. Parents are welcome to join their children for a burger between 11:40 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

#### COMMUNITY GATHERING APRIL 16

Our next Community Gathering will be Friday, April 16 at 8:15 a.m. in St. James' Hall. We will present Student of the Month awards and announce the winner of the Husky Highlights Short Story Contest.

ERB TESTING FOR GRADES TWO THROUGH SIX ERB Testing will take place the week of April 19. Please help us to maintain a quiet campus that week.

#### COFFEE WITH THE HEAD

Our last Coffee with the Head meeting of this school year will be Friday, April 23 at 3:30 p.m. If you would like to attend, RSVP to Ms. Chong at 213-382-2315 x278 or [kchong@sjsla.org](mailto:kchong@sjsla.org).

#### ST. JAMES' CARNIVAL

St. James' Church is hosting a family carnival on the playing field of St. James' School Sunday, April 25 from noon until 3:00 p.m. There will be a moon bouncer, live entertainment, face painting, games, food, and much more. Entry is free, and activities are \$1 - \$5 per ticket. Proceeds will support the youth formation program at St. James' Church.

#### SCIENCE CENTER EVENT

Our School's exclusive event at the California Science Center will be Sunday, May 2 from 2:00 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, see the "Student Life" page of our website at [http://www.sjsla.org/student\\_life.html](http://www.sjsla.org/student_life.html) and contact the event chairs with any questions.

#### SCHOOL BOARD OPENINGS

For the 2010-2011 school year, there are openings for two St. James' Church parishioners on the St. James' School Board. Candidates must be members of the Church in good standing. The School Board meets five to nine times per year, and committees of the Board meet as required. In selecting nominees for Board vacancies, the Board tries to recruit persons with skill-sets and backgrounds that will broaden the expertise and

experience of the Board as a whole. If you are interested in serving in this ministry or wish to nominate someone, please call or e-mail Joy McManus, 323-939-4050, [joy\\_mcmanus@adp.com](mailto:joy_mcmanus@adp.com). Nominations should be submitted no later than May 2, 2010

#### FACTS MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN

As a reminder, all parents who opt to pay tuition in ten monthly installments must sign up with FACTS Tuition Management Service. This year, FACTS has upgraded their website to offer better services to our families. This upgrade requires each family, whether you are brand new to FACTS or have used it for several years, to register as a "New User." To register through the new portal, please visit the *PSF* page of our website at <http://sjsla.org/psf.html>, scroll down to "Current Parent Information," and find several documents relevant to this change.

#### SUMMER AT ST. JAMES'

Our summer enrichment program will run from Monday, June 14, through Friday, July 23. Scroll down to the *Summer at St. James'* section on the *Academics* page of our website for more information. Please note that the class, *Talking Hands: Signing 101*, has been cancelled.

#### INFANT & TODDLER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The St. James' Infant and Toddler Development Center has openings for children ages 6 weeks to two years. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Leilani Bland, Program Director, at 213-388-2350 or [lbland@saintjamesla.org](mailto:lbland@saintjamesla.org).

#### HOME SECURITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Our local police have brought to our attention that there has been an increase in residential burglaries in the Olympic area in the past few weeks. Please be sure to lock your home and car at all times and do not to let any construction workers into your home unless you have scheduled an appointment with them. We will continue to maintain tight security on campus.

#### SCHOOL WEBSITE TIP

Do you need to contact a faculty or staff member? If so, go to the *Directory* page of our website at <http://sjsla.org/directory.html> and click on "Faculty and Staff Directory" to see a listing of email addresses and phone extensions. Reply to this email if you need a password. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these announcements.

With best regards,

Julie Lovelock  
Director of Communications  
St. James' Episcopal School  
625 S. St. Andrews Place  
Los Angeles, CA 90005  
213-233-0133 x302  
[jlovelock@sjsla.org](mailto:jlovelock@sjsla.org)