

## **St. James' News, January 29, 2010**

Dear St. James' Parents:

At the December 7 Board meeting, the Board announced that it was establishing opportunities for parents to discuss and bring issues to the attention of the Board and the Head on an informal basis. These events, which will be scheduled an hour before certain of the Board's meetings, will present an opportunity for parents to meet privately with the Head, a member of the School Administrative Team, and a small group of Board members. The first of these sessions is scheduled to take place in Mr. Bowers' office from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, February 2. These meetings will take place every other month before regular Board meetings.

If there is something you would like to discuss or bring to the attention of the Head, Administrative Team or Board, we encourage you to attend these sessions.

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Pennies from Heaven jar for Haiti. As of this morning, we had raised \$2,300.09 for the relief effort.

Our thanks also go to the many parent volunteers who helped organize a successful Book Fair this week.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Bowers Head of School

### **Announcements**

#### **RE-ENROLLMENT CONTRACTS**

You should have received your re-enrollment contract for the 2010-2011 school year. Please return the signed contract with your deposit by Thursday, February 4 to hold a place for the next school year.

#### **ALL-SCHOOL CHAPEL FEBRUARY 3**

Our All-School Chapel at 8:45 a.m. Wednesday, February 3 will be in honor of African-American History Month. All are invited to attend and encouraged to bring a donation of canned or dried food for the food pantry.

#### **MISSION FAIR FEBRUARY 4**

Parents are welcome to come to St. James' Hall between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Thursday, February 4 to view Mr. Duggan's Fourth Grade Class' mission projects.

#### DADS' PANCAKE BREAKFAST FEBRUARY 7

Please join us for our annual Dads' Pancake Breakfast Sunday, February 7 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. St. James' Dads will prepare a delicious assortment of pancakes as well as eggs, croissants, bacon, sausage, fresh fruit salad, juice, milk, and coffee. Please pre-order your breakfasts using the attached form. If you are a Dad who would like to help, please contact Peter Ferrera at [Pferrera@counsel.lacounty.gov](mailto:Pferrera@counsel.lacounty.gov) or Nicolas Peter at [nicotico@ca.rr.com](mailto:nicotico@ca.rr.com).

#### COMMUNITY GATHERING

Our next Community Gathering with presentation of Student of the Month awards will be Friday, February 5 at 8:15 a.m. in St. James' Hall.

#### NO SCHOOL FEBRUARY 15

There is no school Monday, February 15 in honor of Presidents Day.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

Our School's exclusive event at the California Science Center will be Sunday May 2 from 2:00 to 7:30 p.m. See the attached card for more information. If you'd like to donate auction items, please contact Auction Chair Amy Savagian at [savagianmd@gmail.com](mailto:savagianmd@gmail.com). To volunteer at the event, contact Cara Esposito at [clesposito@earthlink.net](mailto:clesposito@earthlink.net) or Julie Hite at [hites@earthlink.net](mailto:hites@earthlink.net).

#### ARTICLE ON ST. JAMES' CHURCH

Lucy Broadbent, mother of Tom and Jack Norland, is a professional journalist who wrote an article on St. James' Church which was published in The Times (London) this week. [Click here](#) to read the full article.

#### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT DVD

The DVD of our Christmas Pageant will be available this week.

Kindergarten parents will receive a copy automatically. If any other families would like one, please email [zproser@sjsla.org](mailto:zproser@sjsla.org). We suggest a donation of \$5 per DVD to help cover the replication costs -- please make checks payable to "St. James' School."

## ST. JAMES' CAFE

The "St. James' Café" in the Parish Hall of St. James' Church is open every Wednesday from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. for your family to have dinner, cooked by our parish chef. The suggested donation is \$5 per person.

## SCHOOL WEBSITE TIP

Did you know that St. James' Preschool has a website? Click on the "Preschool" button on our home page page at <http://www.sjsla.org> to link to it. You can also link to it from our "Academics" page.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these announcements.

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