

St. James' News, March 19, 2010

Dear Parent:

Thank you to the Korean community at St. James' for hosting a festive Korean Sunday last week.

Best wishes for a great Spring Break and a glorious Easter.

Stephen L. Bowers
Head of School

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPRING BREAK

Spring Break starts Monday, March 22; students return Wednesday, April 7. Note that the school office will be closed Monday, March 29 through Easter Monday, April 5.

EASTER EGG HUNT

St. James' Church is organizing an Easter Egg hunt for children on the school playing field at 9:15 a.m. Easter Sunday, April 4, before the 10:30 a.m. service. All are welcome to attend.

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.

TUITION MEETING APRIL 8

If you have questions about paying tuition, please join Stephen Bowers, Head of School, and Najah Lowe, Director of Finance and Operations, Thursday, April 8 at 11:00 a.m. for an informative discussion on the payment plan options, tuition insurance, and the updates to FACTS, our tuition management service. RSVP to mjimenez@sjsla.org by Tuesday, April 6. The location will be announced based on the number of RSVPs.

COMMUNITY GATHERING APRIL 16

Our next Community Gathering with presentation of Student of the Month awards will be Friday, April 16 at 8:15 a.m. in St. James' Hall (not April 9 as indicated on

the printed wall calendar).

SCIENCE FAIR 2010

Please encourage your child to work on a project for our Science Fair. The Fair is Wednesday, April 14, one week after we return from Spring Break. Project boards are available from Ms. Yu. Don't forget to register your child's project at <http://www.stjamesschool.oursciencefair.com/SchoolHome.aspx>

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 and contact the event chairs with any questions. Please see the attached letter about donating to the silent auction.

CULTURAL LEARNING JOURNEY TO CHINA AND KOREA

A small group of St. James' teachers will travel in China and Korea for 10-12 days this summer. St. James' families are welcome to join the group. The cost is \$2,500.00 per person including the airfare, taxes, all meals, guided tours in English, and local transportation. We will leave between June 23 and 26 and will return home between July 3 and 6. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Koh by Monday, April 5 at akoh@sjsla.org or 213-382-2315 x 250 (work) or 818-653-5793 (cell).

SUMMER AT ST. JAMES'

Our summer enrichment program will run from Monday, June 14, through Friday, July 23. Students can expand their knowledge in a wide range of areas – academics, technology, sports, and the arts, in small, safe groups in a familiar environment. Students may take as few or as many classes as they like, making our program ideal for those trying to fill gaps in their summer plans. Scroll down to the *Summer at St. James'* section on the [Academics](#) page of our website for more information, and look out for a flyer that will go home soon.

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. Nominations should be submitted no later than May 2, 2010.

PSF CO-CHAIR NOMINATIONS FOR 2010-2011

It's time to elect your 2010-2011 Parent Support Fellowship Co-Chairs and Treasurer. If you would like to nominate yourself or another parent, please complete the form that went out via Backpack Express today. The form is also posted on the PSF page of the school website at <http://sjsla.org/psf.html>.

SCHOOL WEBSITE TIP

Do you need to see the school calendar, check the times of upcoming events, or find out when our Spring Break will be in 2011? If so, go to the *Calendar* page of our website at <http://sjsla.org/calendar.html>.

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

The next weekly email will go out Friday, April 9.

With best wishes for a happy Easter break,

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