
MDS MESSAGES – Week of 5/2/16

Prayer

Father in Heaven,
We praise You for giving us Your Son
To be our Savior and Lord.
Bless us all as we gather as an MDS community,
And let us live happily in Your love
Hear our prayer, loving Father,
For we ask this in Jesus' Name.
Amen.

MOTIVATE INSTRUCT NURTURE

School News

National Poetry Month – As we celebrate National Poetry Month, several of our students with the support of Mr. Swagerty, have submitted an original poem into the Creative Communication Poetry Contest. We want to congratulate all the students who entered their pieces and wish them the best of luck. Pieces selected will be published in the *Creative Communication A Celebration of Today's Writers*.

2016 SERRA CLUB CONTEST on VOCATIONS

“Saint Junipero Serra triumphed, because of his courage and success, which are legendary, in establishing the 21 missions in California.”

The Serra Club Contest is open to all 7th grade students of the Diocese of Monterey. The Monterey Peninsula Serra Club's main purpose is to promote and encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our students were encouraged to write about a vocation they may be considering such as: teacher, law enforcement, priest or religious life, etc. All of our 7th graders participated and three of our students' essays were selected to be judged by a panel of judges, appointed by the Serra Club. Scholarship will be awarded to the following winners.

- 1st place - \$200 scholarship. A \$500 scholarship will also be awarded to the 1st place winner's school to be used at the discretion of the principal.
 - 2nd place - \$150 scholarship.
 - 3rd place - \$100 scholarship.
 - Runners-up (i.e., 4th, 5th, 6th, etc., winners) will receive a \$50 prize.
- Winners will be announced before the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

MDS Art Show – May 17th 6:00 p.m.

This year our Art Show will display work created by our students in grade 1st -8th. There will be a silent auction, with a special piece of art created by each class. Parents and friends will have the opportunity to bid on these pieces, *hoping* to add another priceless piece of art to their own personal art collection. We are thrilled to also have RED BEANS AND RICE performing this evening - offering us music and dance, as we enhance this wonderful evening of the ARTS! See attached.

MDS Piano Recital – May 19th 6:30 p.m. in the Student Activity Center (SAC)

Join us while we listen to the musical talents of our students! See attached.

First Holy Communion – Saturday, May 7th 10:30 a.m.

Girl Scout sponsored Movie Night – May 6th Flyers went home today!!

Admission is \$3.00 – Students who turn their money in by Wednesday will earn a FREE dress out day on Thursday, CINCO de MAY, May 5th!!

8th Grade Luncheon – sponsored by the 7th Grade Class – June

7th & 8th Grade Trip to Great America - June 2nd

8th Grade Graduation - June 7th

Father Daughter Dance – “A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words”



*Thank you to Mrs. Poudrier, HSA President, and Mrs. Hockin for heading this magical event
&
Thank you to The Knights of Columbus for providing the amazing meal!*



Grandparents' & Special Friends' Day

Thank you to all our grandparents and special friends who were able to spend the morning with our students, enjoying special activities, performances, and Mass with Father Greg & Deacon Carl! In spite of the RAIN, the day was a wonderful way to say thank you to our grandparents for their time and talents, as they continue to support Catholic education!

Applebee's Pancake Breakfast

Our Pancake Breakfast was a SUCCESS!! We served over 100 people - parent, students, grandparents and friends!! Visitors were greeted by Father Greg & Mrs. Terrazas and breakfast was served by our faculty & staff: Ms. Rita & Ms. Eva, Mrs. Tebbe, Ms. Sue, Ms. Alvarez, Mr. Starks, Ms. Padila, Mrs. Boworski, Mr. & Mrs. Turner (Mr. Lucky), and several parent volunteers. What a wonderful opportunity for faculty & staff, students, parents, families and friends to come together and enjoy a wonderful breakfast while supporting Madonna del Sasso School!!



A BIG THANK YOU to Mr. & Mrs. Hodges for organizing this event & Ms. Gomez, Applebee's manager and MDS parent, for all her support!!

Coffee with the Principal

Thank you to the parents who were able to stop by for a cup of coffee, sharing ideas to enhance the learning experience at MDS!!

2016-2017 REGISTRATION

Our enrollment is growing everyday! If you have not turned in your registration form, please make sure to do so SOON!! Mrs. Fitzgerald is available daily to assist you with any questions or concerns. If you have any questions about tuition assistance please contact Mrs. Turner at 424-7813. Thank you!

WCEA Update

Mrs. Terrazas' office is always open if you would like to meet with her about any concerns, suggestions or ideas you may have to enhance student learning here at Madonna del Sasso School!

St Vincent de Paul

Each student in **Third and Fourth** is asked to bring a sack lunch for needy families on May 5th. In the sack lunch, please provide a piece of fresh fruit, a bottle of water or juice, a bag of chips and a sandwich. Sandwiches can be one of the following: cheese and meat OR just meat (no condiments, lettuce, tomatoes, etc., in the sandwich), peanut butter and jelly, or just peanut butter. You may choose to provide something sweet such as cookies. Please send the food items in a paper lunch sack on Thursday morning, May 5th. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Volunteer Opportunities – please contact the office if you are interested

Art Show	May 17 th
Piano Recital	May 19 th
Game Day	May 26 th

[The possibilities are endless at Madonna del Sasso School!](#)