

October 10, 2013

Dear Parents.

What beautiful weather we are experiencing! The warm days and cool evenings signal the advent of fall. For St. Vincent de Paul School this time of year heralds the opening of "field trip season". Our kindergartners visited a Half Moon Bay pumpkin patch each bringing home a small pumpkin. First graders visited our local library, obtaining their first library cards allowing them to select books for their reading pleasure. On a gorgeous, warm day fifth graders visited Audubon Canyon Ranch where they hiked and learned about the flora and fauna of the area. Sixth graders celebrated the feast day of our city's patron saint by visiting the Shrine of St Francis where they enjoyed a docent led tour of the shrine and then participated in liturgy enhanced by music from our boys choir. Tomorrow the second and third grade classes will travel to the Academy of Sciences. While the second grade learns about geology, our third grades will dissect a squid.

What wonderful learning opportunities our students have! We so appreciate all of you who contribute to our annual campaign as these field trips are supported by funds raised through that campaign.

We have learned from the Archdiocese that we need to be more attentive to completing the appropriate paperwork for anyone who volunteers in our school. This involves completing the Shield the Vulnerable training, having a background check and, in the case, of anyone who participates in an overnight trip, being fingerprinted. If you are a volunteer and have not yet done this, please go to the following website: www.shieldthevulnerable.org. Register as a volunteer, not a parent. The website will then allow you to complete the training and will indicate whether you need the background check or fingerprinting. The safety of our children is paramount. It is imperative that we are compliant with this Archdiocesan regulation. We certainly wouldn't be able to offer the field trip programs or staff lunch and recess or have special classroom activities without the help of you, our parent volunteers. You support our work in a million ways and we are grateful!

Many of you received a call on Tuesday afternoon indicating that we were testing our emergency phone system. Thank you for your patience as we continue to work out the kinks in that system. If you did not receive a message, please notify the main office and provide a correct cell phone number. In the near future we will test this again. Look for a SchoolSpeak announcement which will provide information about the test.

While there are still a few weeks before we flip the calendar to November, we want to alert you to Parent-Teacher Conferences which are scheduled for the week of November 4. You should have received a SchoolSpeak announcement directing you to schedule your conference online. Please follow the directions in order to do that.

The days pass quickly and are filled with the chatter and laughter of children, the sounds of teachers directing learning activities and the buzz of the front office. We feel blessed to be a part of this St. Vincent de Paul School Community. We appreciate the many ways you continue to support our school. Go Vikings!

Blessings,

Nancy Barrett

Co-Principal

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL SERVICE HOURS RECORD SHEET

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GRADE LEVEL		SERVIC	E YEAR:	2013-2014	
SERVICE SEMESTER:	1 ST	OR	2^{ND}	(CIRCLE ONE)	
FAMILY STATUS:	SINGLE	PARENT	OR	TWO PARENT	(CIRCLE ONE)

DATE	ACTIVITY & DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	# HOURS	APPROVED
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Record Sheets are due **FRIDAY**, **DECEMBER 6**, **2013** for the First Semester and **FRIDAY**, **MAY 30**, **2014** for the Second Semester. Please file your service hours sheet behind the first letter of your last name in the accordion file labeled "SERVICE HOURS". This file is located in the school office. Remember to always make a photocopy of your service record.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

Service Hours Record Sheets are due Friday, December 6, 2013 (1st semester) and Friday, May 30, 2014 (2nd semester). **Hours recorded on all record sheets must be signed by one of the following authorized persons:**

CLASSROOM
PARISH ACTIVITIES
MEN'S CLUB
SPECIAL SKILLS
EXTENDED CARE
LIBRARY
SPORTS
ADVISORY BOARD
AUX. TO THE DE PAUL YOUTH
SERVICE HOURS COORDINATOR
SVDP PARENTS' GUILD
HOSPITALITY/ CLASS EVENTS
LUNCH/YARD DUTY
CLASSROOM TREATS

Teachers
Father Ken or Father Nguyen
Men's Club President
One of the Principals
Mrs. Patricia Shanks
Mrs. Sue Della Cella
Ms. Jenifer Spinale or Mr. Danny Curran
Mrs. Sandra Oltranti
Lesli Asiello, Julia Bolcerek or Room Parents

Room Parents
Office Staff
Office Staff

Please file your Service Hours Record Sheets **behind** the first letter of your last name in the file box located in the school office marked "Service Hours". Always keep a copy of your signed Record Sheet for your own records.

Please do not turn in Record Sheets without authorized signatures.

SERVICE HOURS GUIDELINES

Requirements

For the 2013-2014 school year, the service hours requirement per semester is 7.5 hours for a single family and 15 hours for a two parent family (for a total annual service hour requirement of 15 hours for a single parent and 30 hours for a two parent family). Midterm new families will have their hours prorated as determined by the Principal.

Overview

The Service Hours Year will cover the academic school year. The First Semester due date for service hours is Friday, December 6, 2013. The Second Semester due date for service hours is Friday, May 30, 2014.

The first day of the Service Hours Year will be the first day of the school year and continue until the last day of school. Any other project has to be pre-approved by the Principals.

Service Hours Record Sheets and Service Hours Manuals will be issued to each family at the beginning of the school year. Extra Service Hours Record Sheets may be obtained in the school office.

Eligibility

Any adult member of a family can earn service hours.

Excess service hours cannot be carried over to the following school year.

Excess service hours cannot be transferred to another family.

In order to be considered a Participating School Family, parents must attend at least two out of four Parent Guild Speaker Meetings that will be held throughout the 2013-2014 school year.

Authorization

The fulfillment of these commitments will be verified in July to determine each family's tuition category for the next year.

New areas of participation for service hours can be added at any time with the approval of the Pastor or Principals.

Any paid position held within the school or parish will not be counted towards the Service Hours Program.

Service Hours Guidelines may be amended annually with the new guidelines to be initiated the following Service Hours Year.

Administration

All questions and clarifications regarding the Service Hours Program will be directed to the front office.

Service Hours Record Sheets will be turned in the front office twice a year for tabulation. All service hours earned and recorded on the Service Hours Record Sheet must be signed by an authorized person.

All service hours will be logged by the admin staff and kept in a master log. The Service Hours Master Log will be confidential. If you need to verify the hours required by your family, please Contact either the front office.

Delinquent Service Hours

After the due dates (December 6, 2013 and May 30, 2014), each family who has not completed their service hours will be notified. Any family who questions their service hour obligations may make an appointment with the administrative staff. Failure to meet the service hours due dates will result in a change of tuition category.

The tuition status of any family who fails to fulfill their service hours will be affected. Families in category "A" will be moved to category "B" and families in category "C" will be moved to category D. Categories are verified in July to determine each family's tuition category for the next school year.



Halloween Guidelines Saint Vincent de Paul School



INFORMATION FOR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL PARENTS & STUDENTS

- All students must be dressed in costume prior to arriving at school.
- Costumes may not cause a significant disruption or distraction, i.e., no revealing costumes (French maids, nightwear, bathing suits, masks, etc.)
- No weapons of any kind, even replicas, may be brought to school---even if
 it's a significant piece of the character's costume. No toy guns, water guns,
 rifles, swords, pitchforks, or any other kind of weapon may be added to any
 costume. It's California law! No weapons on campus---even replicas and
 toy weapons!
- No costumes are allowed that would impair a student's vision or movement ability (such as ability to see through a mask, climb stairs, or taped as a mummy so hands are not accessible, etc.)
- Face paint may only be applied at home.
- Costumes may not be demeaning to any ethnic group, race, religion, nationality, handicapping condition, gender (boys as girls and vise versa), or individual (staff or student) at the school.
- Dressing up in costume is optional. If a student chooses not dress up in costume, he/she may wear orange and black (following the free dress policy) or wear the school uniform.
- If you are unsure about any part of your costume, check with a teacher beforehand!



Individual classes will host activities in their own classrooms. There will be no formal parade of costumes.



I have read through the policy for participating in our Halloween celebration and understand that if I don't follow the rules, I will not be able to participate in the day's events and may lose my privilege for future dress up or free dress days.

Student Signature	Grade
Student Signature	Grade
Student Signature	Grade
Parent Signature	Date

^{*}Please return this to your classroom teacher by Friday, October 25^{th.} If this isn't signed and returned, your child may not wear a costume.

Fall Fest

Hosted by the De Paul Youth Club

Friday, October 25, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Saturday, October 26, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Gym

Games for the young and the young at heart, such as Bean Bag Battle, Crazy Driver Ball Game, and Roller Bowler, will be available to play in the gym. There will be an inflatable boxing ring, obstacle course, a giraffe bounce house and a mystery machine for those who feel a bit jumpy.

The snack bar will feature hot dogs, nachos, chips, desserts and drinks. Costumes are welcome; however, please remember that some costumes might hinder children who want to try the inflatable games.

Wristbands (see next flyer) will be sold prior to the event and wristbands and tickets will be sold in the gym on Friday and Saturday nights for all of the games, bounce house, boxing ring, obstacle course, and snack bar items. Ticket prices will range from 50 cents to three dollars.

We hope to see everyone there.

PAY AHEAD AND PLAY ALL NIGHT

SPECIAL DEAL:



WRISTBANDS:

1 Night - \$20.00

2 Nights - \$30.00

Wristbands allow children unlimited play of all games, use of all inflatables, (boxing ring, obstacle course, mystery machine and bounce house) and one prize bag. Food is not included in the price of the wristbands.

Without wristbands, cost will be \$3.00 for the inflatables.

Buy early. Send this form to the school office with check payable to the De Paul Youth Club.

Family Name
of wristbands - 1 night @ \$20.00
of wristbands – 2 nights @ \$30.00
Amount enclosed

St. Vincent de Paul Youth Club Fall Fest Raffle

The St. Vincent de Paul Youth Club will hold a raffle on October 25 and 26 at the Fall Fest Carnival.

The raffle prizes are: 1st prize - \$100.00 cash and 2nd prize - \$50 gift certificate to Original Joe's Restaurant.

Tickets for the raffle are \$1.00 each. Tickets can be purchased at the carnival or you may fill out the form below, send it back to school, and your tickets will be filled out for you and put into the raffle box.

The de Paul Youth Club thanks you for your support.

Name:
Grade:
Phone #:
Number of raffle tickets
Amount enclosed

FALL FEST DONATIONS

St. Vincent de Paul Youth Club is holding its Fall Fest Carnival on Friday, October 25, and Saturday, October 26.

We are asking each family in the Kindergarten, 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} , and 4^{th} grades to donate one dozen cookies (wrapped in threes), brownies, rice krispie treats or one dozen cupcakes.

We are asking each family in the $5^{\rm th}$, $6^{\rm th}$, $7^{\rm th}$, and $8^{\rm th}$ grades to donate one six pack of soda.

ALL DONATIONS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY 3:00 PM ON OCTOBER

You will receive one service hour for your donation. We thank you for your support.

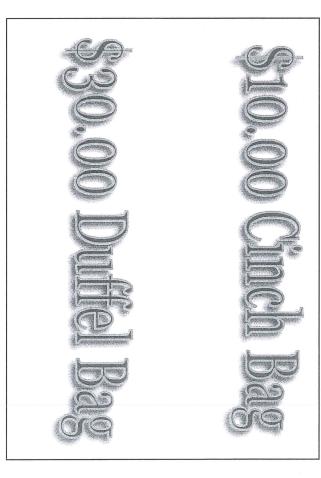
SERVICE HOURS OPPORTUNITY

The St. Vincent de Paul Youth Club Fall Fest will be held on Friday, October 25, and Saturday, Carnival October 26. If you would like to earn service hours by working a shift or two, please return this form to the school office.

If you have any questions, please email Jenifer Spinale at jspinale@svdpsf.com.

Name:Phone #:	Name of oldest childGrade	Friday, October 25 6:30 – 8 8 - 9:30	Saturday Octobor 26 6:30 0 0:20	#:of oldest child	
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Get Your Gym Bags and Show Your Team Spirit!

Orders can be submitted to the Auxiliary to the de Paul Youth Club email (svdpauxiliary@gmail.com) and picked up at the Gym with your check made payable to the Auxiliary to the de Paul Youth Club.

Submit a copy of this form to the Attention of the Auxiliary with the following information and Payment: Cinch Bag (#x\$10)_ _ Duffel Bag (#x\$30) Total:\$

Email Address and/or Phone No.:

Name:

You'll be notified when your order is available for pick-up at the Gym.

(Pom-Poms with Each Order While Supplies Last)

If you have any questions please call Katherine McPartland at (415) 370-7448. Thank You for Your Support!

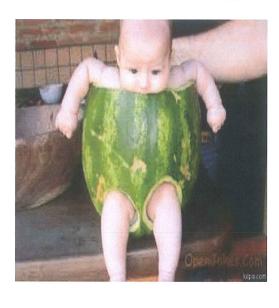
NEW FOR 2013 100% COTTON KIDS FLANNEL PLAID PJ PANT

The choice is yours....

life without SVDP flannel pants

or

life with SVDP flannel pants





Order Your PJ Pants Today for \$30 (A perfect Christmas gift!)
Additional spirit items available to order are listed on the back of this flyer.

Please indicate the (youth unisex) size ar	nd quantity desire	d:	
Youth: Small (6-8) N	Medium (10-12)		Large (14-16)
Family Name			
Child(ren) in grade(s)			
Email to confirm receipt of your order			
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$		4	

Delivery method (circle one): Send home with child / Deliver to office for pick up

Please return flyer to the office in an envelope marked "Kendra Robins / Spirit Sales" with a check payable to "SVDP Parent Guild" or cash. Please indicate whether order should be sent home with your child or picked up from the office. I will email you when your order is ready. Questions: Kendra Robins / 415-310-0360 / kendraSrobins@yahoo.com

Spirit Merchandise	Order Forn	n 2013-2014		
Kendra Robins / Spirit Sales Chair	415-310-0360	kendraSrobins@yahoo.com		
To order, please return form to office along with a chec	ck payable to the "SVDP Pa	arent Guild."	Quantity	Item Price
NEW -Youth Plaid Flannel Pajama Pant		All youth sizes available! S, M, L		\$30.00
NEW Blue Slap Watch with easy read dial (one size)	Photo coming soon!	One size		\$10.00
Youth Long Sleeve T-Shirt	څې	All sizes available! S, M, L, XL		\$20.00
Adult Long Sleeve Navy T-Shirt		All sizes available! S, M, L, XL, 2XL		\$20.00
Women's "layer long sleeve t-shirt" Navy and Grey	da	LAST CALL! All sizes (they run VERY small) S, M, L, XL, XXL Please order two sizes larger than normal (ex. small = large)		\$20.00
SVDP Fleece Capes		Sizes Small (K-3) and Medium (4-8)		\$40.00
Youth Fleece Jacket	غ	All sizes available! S, M, L, XL		\$45.00
Adult Fleece Jacket		All sizes available! S, M, L, XL		\$50.00
Girl's navy shorts with white trim		LAST CALL! Discontinued! Only 2 Junior M (10–12) and 2 Junior L (14– 16) left!		\$20.00
SVDP Magnets	So.			\$10.00
SVDP Water Bottles				\$10.00
SVDP Picnic blanket with zip pocket		LAST CALL Only 11 left!		\$40.00
Permission Slip Notepads				\$5.00
Sweaty Bands (Headbands)		LAST CALL! Only 3 left (navy)!		\$15.00
SVDP Unisex Baseball Hats	SVDP			\$20.00



Enjoy Beautiful Holiday Evergreens & Support the Golden Gate Boys Choir

The GGBC is taking orders for their annual Christmas Wreath & Evergreen Sale. These beautiful items are the perfect way to decorate your home for the holidays!

Check out wreaths & designs on the back of this flyer.

All items will be delivered fresh the 1st week of December. Items can be purchased for either fresh delivery to SVDP or for direct delivery. Please note price differences.

Please be sure to include the recipient address for direct delivery!

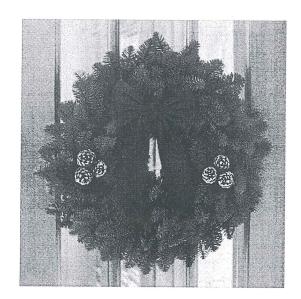
Contact Katie Ryan at ktryan@stanfordalumni.org with any questions!

Current members of the GGBC are Eugenio and Marcello Frew, Chris Nolan, William Griffin, and Cooper and Owen Veit

Order Form-Please return your order form and check to the school office by November 1st. Make checks payable to the GGBC.

Name:	Email:		_Oldest Child's Grad	de:
Noble Fir Wreath-Delivery to SVDP	20"	\$25 x	=	
Mixed Evergreen Wreath- Delivery to SVDP	22"	\$25 x	=	
Mixed Evergreen Wreath- Direct Delivery	22"	\$36 x	=	
Mixed Evergreen Wreath- Delivery to SVDP	28"		=	
Mixed Evergreen Wreath- Direct Delivery	28"	\$42 x	=	
Cedar Garland- Delivery to SVDP	10 foot	\$25 x	=	
(2) Cedar Garland- <i>Direct Delivery</i>	10 foot	\$45 x _	=	
Holiday Centerpiece- Delivery to SVDP	12"		=	
Holiday Centerpiece- Direct Delivery	12"	\$35 x _		
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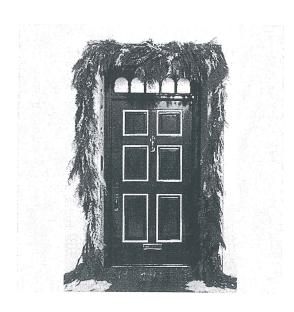
Pigasg Support the GGBC this Holiday Season!



22" NOBLE FIR WREATH \$25 Pick Up at SVDP Fresh & Fragrant Pine Cones & Bow



22" or 28" MIXED EVERGREEN WREATH
22" \$25 Pick Up at SVDP * \$36 Direct Delivery
28" \$35 Pick Up at SVDP * \$42 Direct Delivery
Fresh Noble Fir, Cedar & Berried Juniper
Berries & Bow



WESTERN CEDAR GARLAND
10 Foot \$25 Pick Up at SVDP
Two 10 foot \$45 Direct Delivery
Fragrant Fresh Cut Cedar



HOLIDAY CENTERPIECE

\$18 Pick Up at SVDP

\$35 Direct Delivery

Cedar, Noble Fir & Juniper

Arranged in oasis block and bowl

Approximately 12" in Diameter

Thank You for Your Order!!!



Halloween Student Community Service

We will be collecting new and gently used Halloween costumes for the children of the Riley Center (a SVDP society sponsored family shelter).

We will be collecting these costumes October 15th-October 25th. There will be a collection bin located in the school lobby.

The costumes need to be clean and not ripped. Please put each costume in a large zip lock bag or plastic bag with a tag stating what age and gender the costume is intended for.

Please contact

Jen Mahoney jennifer_mahoney@comcast.net, Kristine Manning, or Leah Alvarez with any questions.

Thank you for your support!