

#### Mission

Queen of All Saints is a culturally diverse Catholic community dedicated to developing the whole child with compassion and integrity. Catholic schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

# SAINTS' Scoop Newsletter October 28, 2020

Dear Queen of All Saints School Families,

It was so much fun seeing the excitement on the faces of the children during today's self-guided tour of the school campus, along with their visit to our very own QAS pumpkin patch. I hope you enjoyed seeing the updated classrooms and facilities. We are grateful to Shea Family Charities for funding the million dollar project and for the many contractors who completed the work. If you were unable to attend today's tour, the students' pumpkins will be placed on their desk to pick up on their first day of school. Students will also be provided with important paperwork that each family will need to complete and return to school during that first week of in-person learning.

Please check the email that was sent earlier this week from Mrs. Francisco with information on the A or B cohort that your child will be placed in for the first week of school. The small cohorts will allow for more personalized instruction on new school procedures and protocols during the first four days of school. As a reminder, for the week of November 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> cohort A will attend school from. 8:00 a.m.-Noon. on Monday and Thursday, and cohort B will attend school on Tuesday and Friday. Starting on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, all students who will be on campus for in-person learning will attend school together as one big classroom cohort. Please see the last page of the Scoop for the detailed calendar.

UNIFORM REMINDERS – All Students (In-Person Learners and Distance Learners)

With the return to on-campus learning we will be implementing all uniform policies. This includes our distance learners (for Zooms) and our in-person learners. Please see the uniform policy on page 6 for uniform details, and make special note of the following:

#### **Shoes and Socks**

- Shoes must be a solid color, white, black, brown or blue (a small logo on gym shoes is permissible.) Shoelaces must be of the color of the shoe or neutral white, black, brown or blue.
- Socks must be worn and should be plain navy or white with no logos or decorations and must be clearly visible above the shoe. No designs, logos, or designer labels on socks (see 8 th grade privilege.)
- Girls may wear navy, white or black tights. No leggings, footless tights or patterned tights.

#### **HAIR**

- Hair must be neat, clean and of the **student's natural color**. Hair must not cover the eyes or face. (Constantly pushing long bangs off the forehead and away from eyes is a distraction for the student and teacher. Please keep bangs short.)
- We do not permit extremes of fashion in students' hairstyles. Close shaved heads and patterns cut into hair are not acceptable. Hairstyles such as spiked hair and Mohawks, including gelled spiked hair, are not acceptable. Hair should be cut to the same length not cut/shaved short on part of the head and left long on another, or shaved designs.
- Boys' hair must not touch or extend beyond the top of the collar.
- Boys must be clean-shaven.

With Halloween just around the corner, we are all looking forward to this year's new Halloween event, the Boo Bash Candy Crawl that will take place in the schoolyard on Friday, October 30 from 4:00-6:15 p.m. The festivities will wrap up at 6:15 as 6:30 Mass is held in the schoolyard We are thankful to the many families volunteering at this event to make sure that the children have a safe and fun place to celebrate the spirit of Halloween. Catholic-school appropriate costumes are welcome and encouraged! Please no "weapons" or accessories, or costume masks that impede a child's vision. Students must wear a face mask in accordance with Covid-19 guidelines.



The teachers and staff are putting the finishing touches on the classrooms and are making final preparations for the reopening of the school campus. Remember that this Thursday and Friday will be asynchronous learning, and we will see students in Cohort A on Monday, November 2nd and students in Cohort B on Tuesday, November 3rd.

\*\* Students in 1st-8th grade must come through the Mt. Diablo Street carline or pedestrian gate Students in TK & Kindergarten will sign in at the gate on Almond Avenue All students will be dismissed at 12:00 noon; there will be no Extended Care

With blessings and gratitude, Mrs. Lucia Prince

### School Re-Opening - Please read the Applicable Reopening Guidelines Information

Thank you to all the parents who signed the documents during the school self-guided tour. Click the applicable reopening guidelines if you would like to read through it again.

### Advisory School Board (ASB)

Thank you to our parent volunteers that have signed up to help with the auction. Opportunities are very limited this year, please let us know if you can not make your volunteer time so we can reach out to other families looking to help.



If you have volunteered or donated toward our auction, fill out this online Auction Volunteer Form (Receipts for purchases need to be turned into the office to verify)

We want to hear from you! Please fill out this 7 question survey regarding the auction. All responses are anonymous.





Did you know we have an apparel store where you can order your Saints spirit wear? Check out our Saints Spirit Store and see items available to order and be shipped directly to you. Are there items you would like to suggest to have included? Please reach out to us! With every purchase, our school also receives 5% back.

# Memorial Brick Campaign-



If you would like to order a memorial brick during this next phase, please go to Memorial Brick Campaign

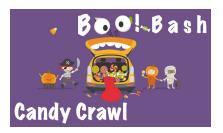
If you have any questions, please reach out to ASB President Erleen Richards at erleen.richards@gmail.com.

Our next virtual Board meeting with PACE will be Tuesday, November 17th at 6:00 pm.

### Parent Association for Catholic Education (PACE)

### **Boo Bash Candy Crawl!**

Friday, October 30th, from 4:00 pm to 6:15 pm (Please note the change in time, the gates will be promptly closed at 6:15 pm) We are looking forward to seeing all of the creative decorations! A huge thank you to the families that have already signed up to decorate their trunks for this night of fun! All spots are full! There are still opportunities to receive service hour so please sign up here: http://bit.ly/QASTrunkorTreat



Thank you to the families that have signed up for their drive-thru slot! If you have not done so, please sign up for ONE time slot PER FAMILY: http://bit.ly/Candycrawldrivethru

Here are the "What to Expect" Guidelines for volunteers and trunks: http://bit.ly/WTEVolunteers

Families participating in the Drive-Thru: http://bit.ly/WTEDriveThru

There will be a trunk contest, costume contest, and a 50/50 raffle! Tickets for the 50/50 raffle will be \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5, please bring exact change. You do not need to be present to win!

PLEASE NOTE: Safety is our number one concern and this event will follow ALL social distancing guidelines. Masks, gloves, and social distance are a REQUIREMENT! Please see the guidelines above for more information.

### **Double Good Popcorn Fundraising** (November 2nd to 20th)

PACE helps QAS families reach their annual fundraising goal with these delicious popcorn treats! 50% of sales go toward your annual fundraising commitment. Order forms and details will be available at Boo Bash and sent home from school on November 2nd. Orders will be delivered to the school in time for Christmas!

Coming Soon! Drive-Thru Donuts with Santa on December 5th. Just like this year's Boo! Bash, this event will look different than it has in the past but we hope to bring our community together with a socially distanced event. Please look out for more information in the coming Scoop.

Our next PACE/ASB joint meeting will take place Tuesday, November 17 at 6:30 PM via ZOOM. All are welcome!

### Weekly Calendar/Upcoming Events

Thursday, October 29th

Parent workshop with Bro Rhy, the Inspiration Guy

at 6:00 pm Passcode: QAS2020

Friday, October 30th Wear your Boo! Bash Shirt

Boo! Bash Candy Crawl from 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Monday, November 2nd-November 6th SAINTS return for In Person Instruction

A/B cohort assignments 8:00 am to 12:00 noon

A - Monday & Thursday
B - Tuesday & Friday

All Wednesdays will be Asynchronous learning and

instruction for all students.

Monday, November 9th No School in honor of Veterans Day

**Tuesday, November 10th** Whole Class In-person Learning 8:00 am to 12:00 noon

Wednesday, November 11th Asynchronous Learning - All students will learn at home

**Thursday Nov. 12th & Friday Nov. 13th** Whole Class meets 8:00 am - 3:00 pm (first day of full-day

in-person instruction. All students must bring a

bagged/boxed lunch)

Monday, November 16th HyFlex instructions begins with Distance Learners

All students must be picked up every day at dismissal as there Extended Care will not be available at this time.



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#blessedatQAS #QASproud #lovingunity #SaintsANDScholars

• **Instagram**: queenofallsaints\_concord

• **Facebook**: https://www.facebook.com/QASConcord

## Diocesan School Prayer Calendar

We ask that we pray together for these intentions:

October 29th - Global Solidarity

October 30th - Patience

October 31st - Special Intentions

November 1st - Pope Francis

November 2nd - Bishops Barber and Cummins

November3rd - Priests, Religious, Deacons, and Lay Church

November 4th - World Leaders

#### **UNIFORM POLICY**

### PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF STUDENTS UNIFORMS

\*\*\* Masks or other protective wear, may not include political statements or other social statements. Masks must be a solid color or colorful pattern with no words or graphics.

It is recommended that each school require the students to observe certain rules and regulations concerning dress, cleanliness and general appearance. Regulations regarding the personal appearance of students - in both uniform and/or free dress - should be communicated through the Parent-Student Handbook to the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) as well as students and enforced.

- 1. Clothes must always conform to rules of modesty, good taste, and appropriateness.
- 2. The general norms of good grooming should be followed.
- 3. A student who goes to school without proper attention having been given to personal cleanliness or neatness of dress may be sent home to be properly prepared for school, or shall be required to prepare him/herself for the school room before entering.
- 4. No student may be sent home without notification of the parent(s)/legal guardian(s).

School uniforms are a source of school pride. As such, students' uniforms should always be neat and tidy, sized correctly, and in good condition. Uniforms that are ripped, torn, frayed, excessively faded, too large/small, or have holes are not acceptable for school. Gently worn uniforms are available year-round in the uniform closet at a very modest fee. Students who attend school wearing uniforms that are not suitable for school will be asked to phone home and may be given/asked to change into a used uniform. Family FACTS accounts will be invoiced for the "new" attire.

New uniforms are also available year-round at Classic Designs Uniforms, and may be ordered online and delivered to school through the company's website.

The purpose of Queen of All Saints' uniform code is to bring focus to the inner qualities of each student, rather than the exterior additions. Its design is meant to alleviate the cost of clothing for parent/legal guardians and to eliminate the status of costly labels for the children. All students 68 are required to be in uniform at all times, except when permission is given by the Principal for a special occasion. Parent/legal guardian cooperation is requested and expected.

### CONSEQUENCES FOR INFRACTIONS

If an infraction occurs, a uniform violation form will be sent home to notify parents. If a second such occurrence takes place, a notification will be sent home and a detention will be served. A fine of \$1.00 may be levied. The money from these fines will be given to assist in the work for God's poor and marginalized. Any additional infraction will result in the loss of the next non-uniform dress privilege.

Uniforms must be purchased through Classic Designs at 888-770-4700, or from the school's uniform closet (685-8700).

#### UNIFORM SHIRTS/BLOUSES

- Navy blue or white cotton polo shirt with a collar. Plain or with the QAS logo. Green QAS polo shirt only purchased through Classic Design Uniform Co.
- Navy blue or white turtlenecks may be worn under the uniform blouse during the winter.
- Girls have the option of a plain white blouse with a collar

### GIRLS: SKIRTS/JUMPERS

- Plaid jumper is to be worn in grades TK-4. Plaid skirt is worn in grades 5-8. Shorts should be worn under the uniform jumper or skirt at all times. The skirt length must be at knee bend in a kneeling position (no more than three inches above the knee). Please no skirts that extend too low below the knees.
- Navy blue or khaki uniform pants or walking shorts (mid-thigh length) may be worn at any time. No pants with extra pockets or embellishments. Pants must fit properly (not too tight and no sagging, properly hemmed.) For uniformity in color and quality, Khaki pants and shorts must be purchased from Classic Design Uniform Co.
- Pants or shorts must fit properly and not be form-fitting or tight.
- Navy blue skorts may be worn in grades TK-8. Capri pants or pants above the ankle are not allowed, nor are pants/shorts with extra pockets or embellishments. Pants must fit properly and not be tight/form-fitting or too loose (no sagging.) BOYS: PANTS/BELTS
- Navy blue or khaki uniform pants or walking shorts (mid-thigh length) may be worn at any time. No pants with extra pockets or embellishments. Pants must fit properly (not too tight and no sagging, properly hemmed.) For uniformity in color and quality, Khaki pants and shorts must be purchased from Classic Design Uniform Co.
- Navy blue walking shorts, mid-thigh to knee length only from the uniform company.
- No oversized pants or shorts permitted.
- A belt (plain black, blue, brown) must be worn at all times in grades 4-8. It must fit properly. No decorative buckles. 69 OUTERWEAR (boys and girls)
- Navy blue sweatshirts/hoodies with QAS logo only. QAS jacket purchased through Classic Designs.
- 8th Grade students may wear their class sweatshirt.
- A winter coat may be worn over the QAS sweatshirt/hoodie outside on cold days. Jackets, hats, scarves, and gloves should not be worn in the classroom.

#### SHOES/SOCKS

- Shoes must be a solid color, white, black, brown or blue (no logos.) Shoelaces must be of the color of the shoe or neutral white, black, brown or blue. Solid colored tennis/gym shoes are permitted.
- Shoes must cover the foot and be secure on the foot, tied, buckled, fastened with Velcro, or zipped.
- No shoes with lights, sound, or wheels are permitted. Plastic shoes, sandals, Croc-type shoes, or boots are not allowed. (On rainy days, boots may be worn to school but the student must change into their regular school shoes in the classroom.)

- Sneakers or tennis shoes are required for P.E.
- Socks must be worn and should be plain navy or white with no logos or decorations and must be clearly visible above the shoe. No designs, logos, or designer labels on socks (see 8 th grade privilege.) Students in violation of dress code will be given plain white socks to wear and families be charged for the cost of the replacement socks.
- Girls may wear navy, white or black tights. No leggings, footless tights or patterned tights.

### HAIR

We do not permit extremes of fashion in students' hairstyles. Close shaved heads and patterns cut into hair are not acceptable. Hairstyles such as spiked hair and Mohawks (where some hair is very short and the rest isn't) are not acceptable. Hair should be cut to the same length – not cut/shaved short on part of the head and left long on another. Students may also not use hair products to style their hair to look like a Mohawk or any other extreme style.

- Fashion hair accessories, such as feathers and other items that are part of a fad are not permitted, as they are a distraction in the classroom.
- Hair must be neat, clean and of the student's natural color. Hair must not cover the eyes or face. (Constantly pushing long bangs off the forehead and away from eyes is a distraction for the student and teacher and is not permitted. Please keep bangs short.)
- Boys' hair must not touch or extend beyond the top of the collar.
- Extreme hairstyles on boys or girls are not permitted. i.e. Mohawk, hair overly gelled or spiked, designs shaved into hair, shaved heads. When in doubt, please check with the administration.
- Boys must be clean-shaven. 70
- Students may not have any embellishments/accessories in their hair or on their body/clothes that will cause distraction to other students or teachers. Please contact the Principal for clarification.

### MAKEUP/NAILS

Fingernails are to be the student's own nails and clear nail polish only is permitted; no fake or press-on nails. Students (including junior high) may not wear makeup.

### **JEWELRY**

- One small post earring in each ear. Hoops, long, dangling earrings, or lugs/gauges are not permitted. One necklace is permitted. Bold, dangling necklaces are not permitted. One ring is permitted. One bracelet is permitted. No anklets.
- Jewelry must not be offensive or reflect values incompatible with Christian beliefs.
- Jewelry may not be worn during P.E., sports activities, or games involving contact sports.
- Any jewelry that the teacher or administration deems to be a distraction may not be permitted

### P.E. UNIFORM

The P.E. Uniform is required for all students on P.E. days. Uniforms for Physical Education class (P.E.) MUST be purchased from Classic Design uniform company and include shorts, sweatpants, and t-shirts. "Look-alike" shorts from Target or other uniform or sports outlets, and non-PE Queen of All Saints School t-shirts are not acceptable on P.E. days. Students who come to school in P.E. attire not purchased through the uniform company will be asked to phone home for a change of clothes or will need to change into clothes from the school's uniform closet.

8th Grade Privilege: Eighth grade students have the privilege of wearing socks with logos (i.e. Nike Elite.) Students may also wear their class sweatshirt in lieu of the school sweatshirt.



October 22, 2020

Re: Continued Postponement of CYO Sports

Dear CYO Families.

Because of the continuing pandemic and restrictions, all CYO activities in the Diocese of Oakland will continue to be suspended, in compliance with prohibitions on team sports activities from Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. This action is based on the uncertainties surrounding the pandemic and the current challenges in keeping our young people, volunteers, and families safe in our Church-sponsored activities, as well as to be in compliance with county prohibitions. This suspension is taken after consultation with the presidents of the CYO leagues in the diocese.

The suspension includes the winter sports of CYO Boys' Basketball, CYO Girls' Basketball (in the eastern half of the diocese) and Girls' CYO Volleyball and includes practices, games, and activities. Previously, CYO Cross Country did not run this fall. Our intention at this point is to resume those sports in Fall, 2021. However, the league presidents will continue to monitor conditions and to make additional recommendations should conditions change.

CYO remains hopeful that this coming spring, CYO Track and Field, CYO Girls' Basketball (in the western half of the diocese) and CYO Boys' Sand Volleyball can be played as these sports were not played last spring. The CYO league and track section leadership will recommend decisions regarding these sports after January 1. Resuming these activities will depend upon participant and volunteer safety, local government directives and venue availability.

CYO coaches are reminded that any sports activities at this time are without the sanction of the Diocese of Oakland and CYO. (See the CYO Athletic Manual, page 15, for "Off Season Restrictions and Limitations.")

We look forward to our parish churches and our schools reopening safely, a necessary first step in a return to CYO sports. When we are able to resume play, CYO will continue to be a vital ministry in our Church for our young people. We all continue to rely on our leagues and on the dedication of our many players, coaches, athletic directors, coordinators, game officials and volunteers.

While we wait, we will all be praying for all those affected by the pandemic, both directly and indirectly, and for our children to stay healthy and safe.

Bill Ford, CYO Director