

Saint Vincent de Paul School

Bi-monthly Newsletter



June 4, 2015

Dear St. Vincent de Paul Community,

Congratulations to the Class of 2015! They have excelled academically and in August will find new homes at the following schools: Bay School, Branson, Convent, Drew, Lowell, Marin Catholic, Riordan, Sacred Heart Cathedral Prep, St. Ignatius, Stuart Hall, Wallenberg and The Waterford School. Fifteen out of the 26 eighth graders received honors or distinction upon entrance. We are so proud of these young men and women.

A flurry of eighth grade activities filled these last few days. Last Friday's Eighth Grade Dinner Dance was a lovely event held at the St. Francis Yacht Club. Speeches, a slide show, wonderful company, delicious food and a gorgeous view contributed to the event's success. On Monday, eighth graders shared a retreat experience and then challenged the faculty to a volleyball game. Tuesday found the soon-to-be graduates at McNear's Beach for an end of the year picnic. Yesterday, the eighth graders prayed together for the very last time at the Baccalaureate Mass. Graduation, of course, culminated the activities as each member of the Class of 2015 was recognized for her/his achievements. We will miss these young men and women and send them forth with our prayers and blessings.

Thank you to all of the parents for ensuring the success of these festivities. Your work, contributions and gift of time are so appreciated by all of us at SVdP. Thank you for entrusting your children to us.

As we bid farewell to the Class of 2015, we also look forward to 2015-2016. There are some shifts in personnel for the new school year that we wish to share. They are as follows:

7th Grade
5th Grade
3rd Grade
1st Grade

Micaella Colla
Rosanne Mattson
Kersta Bailey
Leigh McMonigle and Lizzie McCarthy

Kindergarten
Tech Coordinator
3rd, 4th, 5th Literacy Coach

Bridget Lemos and Leslie Carmignani
Matt Walsh
Jessica Cannata

These people have previous experience and expertise in their newly assigned areas. They are also already familiar to you. Next year they will simply be donning new hats! Instructional aides have not yet been determined and will be announced in August.

Many of you already know that last week our students made 1,677 sandwiches to donate to the needy of our city. This kind of service is a hallmark of our school. We are so proud of our students, from the very little ones to the older ones, for embracing the true spirit of St. Vincent de Paul.

Many field trips were scheduled for the first days of June. On Tuesday, it was actually quiet in the building as many classes left campus for picnics and trips. Kindergartners had an exciting day at the zoo. Second graders were given \$7 to spend at the farmer's market at the Ferry Building, culminating a unit on money and making change, and third graders spent the day at Alcatraz.

While you begin your summer break, faculty will participate in a two-day workshop sponsored by Apple Education. Trainers will be on campus Monday and Tuesday teaching faculty how learning and teaching can be supported by utilizing the iPad. We will learn to personalize our iPads, use built-in apps in the classroom, and increase our productivity, collaboration and communication. Teachers are life-long learners who kick off their summer tackling technology!

We have heard from your children of your many plans for trips, camps, and "staycations." It is wonderful to have the luxury of time that summer provides. We wish all of you enjoyment, relaxation and peace in these next months. We look forward to seeing you in August sporting summer tans, and telling tales of travel and special activities.

Blessings,

Nancy Barrett
Co-Principal

Marguerite Pini
Co-Principal

Faculty and Staff *2015-2016*

Kindergarten
Leslie Carmignani
Bridget Lemos

Grade 1
Lizzy McCarthy
Leigh McMonigle

Grade 2

Kate McCaffrey

Grade 3

Kersta Bailey

Grade 4

Julie Franceschi

Grade 5

Rosanne Mattson

Grade 6

K.C. Isom-McCabe

Grade 7

Micaella Colla

Grade 8

Katie Nejasnich

Math 7/8-Science 6/7/8

Paul Watters

Math Specialist 3-6

Jenifer Spinale

Director of Curriculum

Valerie Persky

Literacy Coach 3-5

Jessica Cannata

Spanish K-8

Petrina Grube

IT

Matt Walsh

Library

Sue DellaCella

PE

CYO

Art

Vicki Bamsey

Music

Steve Meyer

Drama

Mary Powelson Productions

Instructional Aides

Anna Strain
Hannah Jones
Mary Broderick
Deanna Melchior
TBA (3 add'l)

Extended Care

Patricia Shanks

Administrative Office

Nancy Barrett and Marguerite Pini
Mary Barnes
Gwen Aponte
Marie Ferdon

Report Card Distribution

Report cards for grades 3 through 7 will be **mailed** home next week.

Kindergarten through 2nd grade will receive their report cards at the end of the day on June 5th.

Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open during the summer on Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Closed on Fridays.

The offices will be closed July 20th through the 31st. It will reopen for the new school year August 3rd.

Enjoy your summer!

Calendar reminders:

June 5

Last Day of School

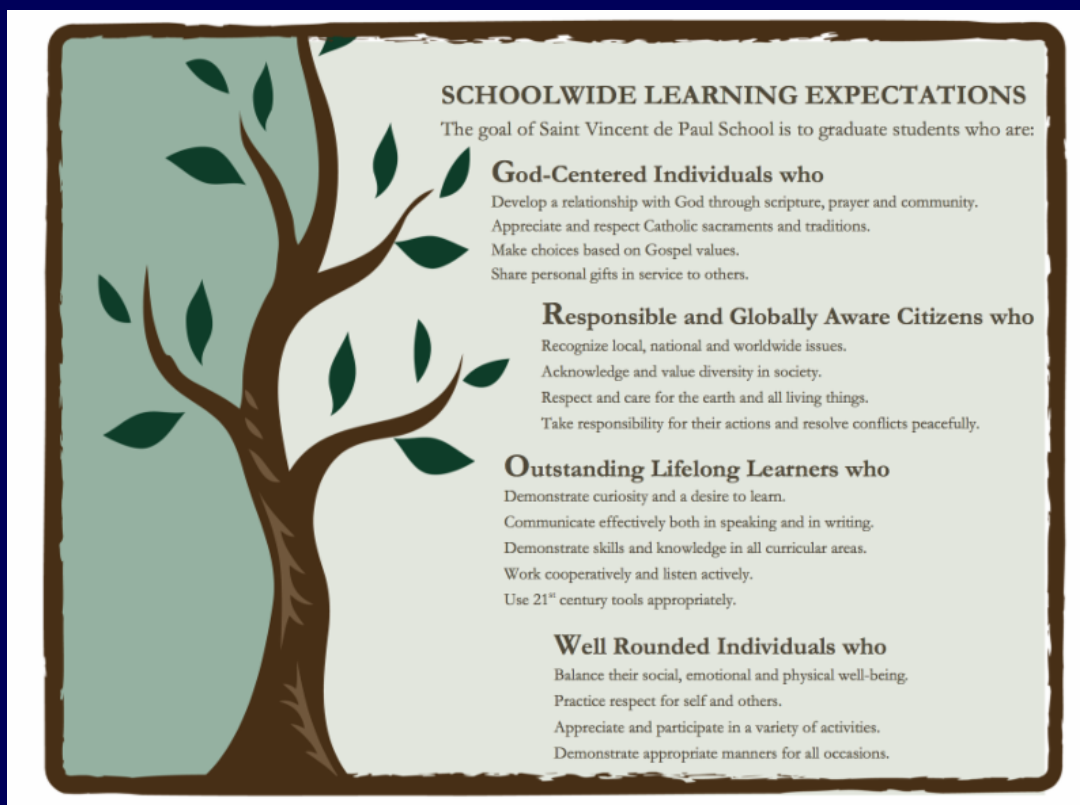
Prayer Service at 11:45 am

June 8 & 9

Teacher Inservice Days

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Saint Vincent de Paul School is to educate our students in the Catholic tradition. We aspire to teach as Jesus did, with a focus on the gospel values. As facilitators of learning, we recognize parents as the primary educators of their children. We encourage our students to be responsible and sensitive to church, school, and neighboring communities. We challenge our students to build their moral intelligence and become self-motivated lifelong learners who will share their gifts with the world.



SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS
The goal of Saint Vincent de Paul School is to graduate students who are:

God-Centered Individuals who
Develop a relationship with God through scripture, prayer and community.
Appreciate and respect Catholic sacraments and traditions.
Make choices based on Gospel values.
Share personal gifts in service to others.

Responsible and Globally Aware Citizens who
Recognize local, national and worldwide issues.
Acknowledge and value diversity in society.
Respect and care for the earth and all living things.
Take responsibility for their actions and resolve conflicts peacefully.

Outstanding Lifelong Learners who
Demonstrate curiosity and a desire to learn.
Communicate effectively both in speaking and in writing.
Demonstrate skills and knowledge in all curricular areas.
Work cooperatively and listen actively.
Use 21st century tools appropriately.

Well Rounded Individuals who
Balance their social, emotional and physical well-being.
Practice respect for self and others.
Appreciate and participate in a variety of activities.
Demonstrate appropriate manners for all occasions.

Electronic Family Envelope

Flyers:

[Year at a Glance 2015-16 updated 6.4.15](#)

[Yearly Calendar Events 2015-2016](#)

2015-16
First Day of
School

*August 20th
12:30 dismissal*

Noble Saint Vincent de Paul,
beloved servant of the poor,
may we follow your example and do good works
among those whom society has abandoned,
enslaved, or forgotten.
Amen.

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