



ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Lion's Roar: February 5, 2018

Dear Parents,

With the Mardi Gras holidays next week, we hope and pray your family enjoys the break. Fr. Randy invites everyone to mass on Wednesday, February 14th for Ash Wednesday. When deciding what to “give up” for Lent, Pope Francis offers this suggestion. He asks, “Do you want to Fast this Lent?”

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

We thank you for returning your re-registration for next school year. It is crucial in planning and knowing how many new applicants can be accepted into our school. Once again, St. Aloysius School was blessed with many applications. We know this is a direct response to your positive promotion through “word of mouth”, and we thank you. Letters of acceptance for new students will be mailed this Wednesday. Help us to welcome all new families to our wonderful school.

–Erin Candilora

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” Amen

IMPORTANT DATES –

February 9 – Pep Rally/Treat Day Grades 5-8

February 9 – Pre-K Mardi Gras Parade

February 9 – Wear Spirit Shirts with Uniform Bottoms

February 12-16 – Mardi Gras Holidays

February 23 – All School Mass – Remember to Support the Food Bank

March 9 – Child Care Fish Fry

IMPORTANT CARPOOL INFORMATION: Please be aware that morning carpool is over at 7:45. Duty teachers report to the gym for assembly promptly at 7:45 to greet her students. Please **DO NOT** drop your child at carpool if there is no duty teacher, and do not drop off at the entrance to the office. Please go into the office with your child to check them in. We have had some “near misses” lately in carpool, so please have all children exit the car on the right side. Book sacks need to be inside the car with each student. Students MUST always be dropped off at the youngest child’s carpool area.

Growth Mindset for February: A Goal without a Plan is just a Wish

Goal setting is a powerful part of using the growth mindset to overcome challenges. Without a concrete idea of what you want and a vision of how you’re going to get there, it’s easy to slip back into the fixed mindset. The concept of *grit* is often interconnected with the incremental theory of growth mindset.

The idea that large amounts of deliberate practice, and not natural ability, leads to success is a valuable one for students developing a growth mindset. When students see how deliberate practice (and a healthy dose of failure) is almost always required to rise to the top of any field, the idea of growth mindset can be better cemented as a viable strategy for success. It shows, unequivocally, practice and effort, not genetics, lead to success.

The message we want our children to walk away with is nothing really comes easy for anyone. Even if someone has a natural affinity in a given area, that person must dedicate thousands of hours to the pursuit to be considered truly great. We hope that our children are left with a lasting sense that achievement is born of hard work, not mythical natural abilities that we’re graced with at birth. Once they understand this, they can get down to business of achieving goals with grit and perseverance.

Here are some well-known examples of “gritty” people-people who worked incredibly hard to get to the top of their fields.

- Michael Jordan: Basketball player
- J.K. Rowling: Author (Harry Potter)
- Walt Disney: Disney founder
- Wright Brothers: Aviation pioneers
- Pablo Picasso: Artist

IT’S TUITION RAFFLE TIME! Raffle tickets were sent home with your child today. Please return the completed ticket stub with a check for \$20.00 made payable to St. Aloysius School by Wednesday, March 14th. This fundraiser is a wonderful opportunity to win **FREE TUITION, FREE LUNCH OR FREE MAINTENANCE FEE** for next school year. All proceeds support our Art, Music, and Religious Education Departments as well as our First Aid Office.

Additional tickets may be purchased by filling out the form attached to the ticket or through the school office. *Drawings will be held Monday, March 19th, 2018 during*

morning assembly. If you have any questions, please contact Amy Joubert at amy@joubertlawfirm.com or Stacy Martin at stacy@bengal.com.

SACCC 24th ANNUAL FISH FRY – Friday March 9th, 2018 • SAS Cafeteria

- **FUNDRAISER:** 5:00-8:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria
- **DRIVE THRU:** opens at 4:00 p.m. in front of the SAS Administration Building
- **ENTERTAINMENT and RAFFLE DRAWING:** Parish Hall- DJ, Trixie & Friends, 50/50 Raffle
- **TICKETS:** Dinner-\$8 presale, \$10 at the door Lunch-\$8 presale. *Dinner and lunch tickets are not interchangeable
- **50/50 RAFFLE:** \$5/ticket. Minimum prize of \$2,500
- **DONATE/SPONSOR:** Please contact Kim Blair at kblair@aloysiusccc.org for donation and sponsor information
- Please visit www.sacccfishfry.org for more information and to buy dinner, lunch and raffle tickets.

SACCC Appreciates Your Support!

STEWARDSHIP OF OFFERING – In order to receive the in-parish tuition rate for the 2018-2019 school year, financial offering to St. Aloysius Parish must be made in a consistent manner.

GIRLS ON THE RUN- Registration is still open for Girls on the Run Spring Season. Practices start tomorrow, 2/6, and will be held on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. To register: <https://www.girlsontherunsola.org/> Questions: jlemoine@aloysius.org

THE MISSION OF ST. ALOYSIUS SCHOOL IS TO EDUCATE THE WHOLE CHILD IN THE CATHOLIC TRADITION FOR A LIFE OF MEANING AND PURPOSE.

St. Aloysius School 2018-2019 Tuition Raffle

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