



St. Didacus Parish School
4630 34th Street, San Diego, CA 92116
Working Hard, Serving Others, Sharing God's Love
Mrs. Dean's Weekly Newsletter
February 5, 2019

May our Lord keep His loving hands upon us so that we may learn and grow.

Jog-a-thon 2019: Just three more days until this year's Annual Jog-a-thon! Each child is asked to raise \$100. If you have not set up your child(ren)'s pledge page yet, please do it now. Go to <http://pledgestar.com/stdidacus/> to set it up. This is a really convenient way to collect donations for the Jog-a-thon. We recommend students ask their grandparents, aunts, uncles, and close family friends. **It is important that we have 100% participation in this fundraiser.** Participation in all fundraisers is part of your tuition agreement. All students will run, but to qualify for prizes, a student needs to earn a minimum of \$50. **The first \$50 earns you a 4th Annual St. Didacus Jog-a-thon T-shirt.** At \$75 a student receives the T-shirt along with a free dress day. At \$100 a student receives all of that plus a night of no homework. Students may wear appropriate shorts or sweats with running shoes along with their jog-a-thon shirt. **If students did not earn a jog-a-thon shirt they must wear their school shirt.** All students will be served lunch, but if your child did not have any pledges, you will be charged a \$5.00 hot lunch fee. The jog-a-thon schedule is as follows:

8:00 – 10:15	Regular school schedule
10:15-10:30	In-classroom recess
10:30 – 10:45	Warm-up
10:45 – 11:45	Jogging
11:45 – 12:00	Cooling Down
12:00 – 12:40	Lunch
12:40 – 1:20	Awards and Dancing
1:20	Back to the classroom to pack up
1:30	Early Dismissal

Important Dates for Parents:

1. February 12 at 6:30pm: Kristin Amicone from the San Diego Police Foundation will be here to speak on Internet Safety. This is a mandatory evening for at least one parent per family from grades 3 through 8. Parents from other grades are encouraged to join us as well. This training is funded by the Diocese of San Diego. Kristin Amicone will also be here to talk to the students in grade 3-8 during the day as well. Please make sure you are here by 6:30pm, the back lot will be open for parking.
2. March 21 at 7pm: Lenten Christian Action Program Speaker- Bernadine Carr will be here at St. Didacus School to speak to all the parents. Please put it in your calendar.
3. March 26 at 7:00pm: Fine Arts Night and Ice Cream Social

St. Didacus Auction/Gala: The St. Didacus Auction/Gala will be on April 6. Please save this date for a fun St. Didacus Community evening. It will be at the Southwestern Yacht Club this year. At this time we are trying to build a committee to help with the planning and organizing of this event. If you're interested in any aspect of the planning and running of this event, please come to our first Auction/Gala Meeting at school on February 13 at 3:00pm. We can use as much help as we can get!

Financial Assistance for 2019-2020: Applications for the Bishop Flores Financial Assistance for the school year 2019-2020 are now available. To apply, please go to www.bishopfloresscholars.org. All applications are **due by February 28**. This process is also the only way to qualify for the St. Didacus Financial Assistance Program. **We will not be accepting applications through our FACTS program this year.** All families who would like to apply for further financial assistance through our school **must apply now**. This is different from years past, so please be aware of this change. If you need help with this process, please contact Karen Patterson, our bookkeeper.

Weekly Schedule

Parent Morning Prayer Group:

Every Monday morning after morning assembly. Please come and pray for our students and our school.

Cheer:

Monday 3:00 – 4:00 Practice

Choir & Guitar:

Choir Practice is every Tuesday from 3:00 – 4:30 in the school auditorium.

Guitar is from 3:00 – 4:00.

Fall Sports:

Pee-Wee Soccer Practice: Monday 3:00 – 4:00

1st/2nd grade team Saturday, February 9, at 8:00am vs. Juan Diego Academy@ Santa Sophia

3rd/4th grade team Saturday, February 9 at 10:00am vs. Sacred Heart at Santa Sophia

Boys Basketball- Practice Tuesday 3:00 – 4:30 (Varsity & JV)

Practice Thursday 3:00- 4:30 (Varsity only)

Varsity Game: Saturday, February 9 – 7:30am vs. St. Rita White at MDCHS

JV Game: Saturday, February 9 – 7:30am vs. Our Lady's at MDCHS

Girls Volleyball Game: –Wednesday, February 6: against St. Rita at St. Didacus

Knitting/Crochet Club:

Wednesday, 3:00 – 4:00 in the kindergarten classroom

Gardening Club:

Thursdays 3:00 – 3:50

School Band:

Band Practice is on Thursday.

Logic Club:

Friday 3:00 – 5:00

Academic Decathlon Practice:

Saturday 9:00am – 3:00pm

	<u>Dates to look forward to:</u>
February 5	Family Letters of Intent to Return go home today Students may wear their jog-a-thon shirt to school
February 7	Field trip to the San Diego Symphony for Grades 1-4 (9:00-12:00) –Full dress uniform
February 8	Jog-a-thon – Dismissal at 1:30pm Jr. Great Books 6:00- 8:00
February 9	Reconciliation Retreat 10:00am (2 nd grade students with their parents)
February 12	Safety Net Training Today for both the students and parents 9:00- 10:00 6 th – 8 th graders 10:30 – 11:15 2 nd -5 th graders 6:30pm Mandatory for at least one parent to attend 5:00pm PTG Board Meeting before the Safety Net Training
February 13	Gala Committee Meeting 3:00 at school
February 15	Reconciliation- 6 th grade at 10:30am Student Council Dance- Grades 6 – 8 (6:00- 9:00pm)
February 16	First Reconciliation- 2 nd graders at 10:00am
February 17	3 rd Grade Family Mass at 10:00 am
February 18	No School – Presidents' Day
February 19-22	ACRE Testing 5 th and 8 th grade only