



St. Didacus Parish School
4630 34th Street, San Diego, CA 92116
Working Hard, Serving Others, Sharing God's Love
Mrs. Dean's Weekly Newsletter
January 15, 2019

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

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 thorough 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.

Jog-a-thon 2019: The St. Didacus 4th Annual Jog-a-thon is on Friday, February 8. It is time to set up a pledge page for your child(ren). Please go to <http://pledgestar.com/stdidacus/> to set it up. This is a very convenient way to collect donations for the jog-a-thon. We are asking each student to try to earn a minimum of \$100, and are encouraging the students to ask their grandparents, aunts, uncles, and close family friends. It is important that we have 100% participation in this fundraiser. 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. At \$100 a student receives all of that plus a night of no homework. We will also be having weekly raffles to help motivate the students to participate. Students get their first raffle ticket just for setting up his/her donation page, and then he/she gets a ticket for every \$50 raised. Please help us make this fundraiser a successful one!

Open House: Our Open House for prospective parents is Sunday, January 27 from 12:00 – 2:00pm. We ask that you help us spread the word of our Open House to anyone who might be interested in St. Didacus School. If everyone were to tell at least one new family, it will help build our enrollment. If you need any of our Open House flyers, please pick them up in the office. We'd appreciate your help!

Grandparents' Day: PTG will be displaying pictures of the grandparents and their grandchildren. We are asking for everyone to send in a pictures. Don't forget to put your child's name on the back so the picture can be returned.

STAR Testing: STAR testing continues both this week and next. Teachers will be more specific in their letters as to when they will be having their students take these STAR Tests.

Cathedral Catholic High School Leadership Awards: Congratulations to Nina Renda and Jacob Pajimola for receiving the Cathedral Catholic High School Leadership Award! They will be honored tomorrow, Wednesday, January 16 at the CCHS Leadership Luncheon.

8th Grade Rummage Sale: This Saturday, January 19 is the Annual 8th Grade Rummage Sale. If you have any items to donate, please drop them off on the stage in the school auditorium. Also don't forget to stop by on Saturday to help support the 8th graders and shop.

Family Math Night: Don't forget about our Family Math Night. You don't want to miss this fun evening. It will be on January 24 from 6:30 – 8:00pm. Please join us for a night of measuring, adding, estimating, and solving of problems. We will be having a few light refreshments. Mark your calendar and make sure you are available to come and have a fun time with us that evening!

Catch of the Week: Congratulations to Juliette Paden, a third grader for being a Christ Centered Person and a Responsible Citizen! She was caught picking up trash around the school without even being asked. Thanks Juliette!

No School Friday or Monday: Don't forget that there is no school this Friday, January 18. The teachers will be having a Professional Growth Day. Monday, January 21 is Martin Luther King Day.

Mid-Year Status Reports: Status Reports will be coming out on Tuesday, January 29. The Scrip Program and parent volunteer hours will be reported up through, and including, January 20th. Daycare will include all balances through December, and all else will go through January 25.

Scrip News: New \$50 Vons/Albertson cards are now available with our Scrip Program.

Weekly Schedule

Parent Morning Prayer Group:

Every Monday mornings 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, January 19, at 9:00am against St. Pius X Blue at Santa Sophia Field B

3rd/4th grade team Saturday, January 19, at 12:00am against Juan Diego Academy at Santa Sophia Field A

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

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

Varsity Game: Saturday, January 19 at 7:30 am against St. Rose at MDCHS

JV Game: Saturday, January 19 at 12:30 pm against St. Rose White JV at MDCHS

Girls Volleyball Game: Wednesday, January 16 St Didacus vs. Nazareth at Nazareth at 3:45pm (Varsity and JV)

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

Dates to look forward to:

January 15	Development Board Meeting 6:30pm	January 24	Family Math Night 6:30 – 8:00pm
January 16	Mass 3/8 grade	January 25	Reconciliation 5 th grade 10:30am
	Cathedral Catholic High School Leadership Luncheon	January 26	Winter Sports Rally 2:00pm
January 18	No School/Teacher Professional Growth Day	January 29	High School Placement Tests
	End of Second Quarter		USD Home Basketball Game
January 19	8 th Grade Legacy Rummage Sale	January 31	Report Cards go home
January 21	Martin Luther King Day/ No School		Mid-year Status Reports go home
January 23	Mass 2/7 grade		John Lewton's Birthday
	Geography Bee 1:00pm 4 th – 8 th grade		

Catholic Schools' Week Schedule

Sunday, January 27	Catholic Schools' Week Mass at 10:00am
	Open House 12:00 – 2:00pm
Monday, January 28	Parent Appreciation Day
Tuesday, January 29	Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day
Wednesday, January 30	Pastor/Community Appreciation Day
Thursday, January 31	Students Appreciation Day
Friday, February 1	Grandparents' Day