



NEWSLETTER

ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL, SEPTEMBER 7, 2022 NO.4

NOTES FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MRS. SHARON ALLEN:

I APPRECIATE YOU

Please know how much I appreciate your support and cooperation as we begin a new school year. Thank you for all you do every day and your support of our school programs. Each job you do - large or small - contributes to our school community and makes a difference. Thank you!

STUDENT COUNCIL

Our Student Council will be installed at a special prayer service on September 14th. Thanks to Fr. Michael and Mrs. Struebing who have planned this special ceremony. Thank you one and all.

EMAILS

Please understand that teachers are unable to check emails during the school day because they are teaching. If there is an emergency or a change in pick up arrangements please call the school office directly at (415)664-8331.

ROSTER

Please look for your roster on Wednesday, September 21st. A hard copy for every family will be sent home with your child. Thanks to Mrs. Mullen for all her hard work preparing the rosters.

SAVE THE DATE

Family Mass on Sunday, October 2nd at 9:30a.m celebrating the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi will be planned and presented by our Fifth Grade class. Join us!

MRS. SHARON ALLEN'S NOTES CONT'D:

SEPTEMBER WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

Please make it a priority to attend our first Women's Guild Meeting on Wednesday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m. President Naomi Kelly and her Board have worked very hard all Summer planning for this exciting school year. We are delighted to have you join us. Come and learn about all the wonderful events scheduled for 2022-2023.

WOMEN'S GUILD WINTER FUNDRAISER

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 3, 2022 as St. Stephen Women's Guild presents The Queen's Winter Ball! We look forward to seeing you there!

H.S.P.T. PREP COURSE

Please see the flyer attached for Eighth Grade parents with information on how to sign up for the High School Placement Test course. The flyer includes a link for course registration. Hard copies of the flyer were given to Eighth Graders today. The flyer includes a link for course registration.

Stay Cool!

Mrs Allen

WELCOME

Welcome to our new Office Assistant Mrs. Linda Setiadi. Mrs. Setiadi will join our staff later next week. Welcome to our school family!

SCHOOL AUCTION - *Who shall rise as the Diamond of the Season?!*

The SSWG presents: **The Queen's Winter Ball**. Our Annual Auction will be held on **Saturday, December 3rd** at the Olympic Club, Lakeside.

We shall transport you to the Regency Era (with a Cougar twist) to enjoy quite the evening. It is the anticipated event of the season - live auction, food, music, dance, and experiences! Mark your calendars as this event is a can't miss!

The auction team is now collecting donations. We welcome all donations, including:

- Travel-related donations - Frequent flyer miles, hotel loyalty reward points, vacation homes, timeshares or travel vouchers
- Sports Items - Game tickets, memorabilia, outings and excursions
- Entertainment - Tickets to performances such as concerts, events, plays, the ballet or opera
- Culinary - Restaurant Gift cards and wine pairings
- Spa/Beauty - Gift cards, spa day packages, and products
- Scrip - Amazon, Neiman Marcus, Safeway, etc. Gift cards

Remember each \$25 donated equals one hour of fundraising!

Please visit the auction site by clicking the link included in this Newsletter's email to donate and for more details!

For any questions, feel free to reach out to Auction Chairs: **Natalie Ocampo, Charlene Avila, Mandy Fesko, Tina Garza and Vanessa Usi** at auction@sfststephenschool.org.



SPAGHETTI BINGO

Our first event of the school year, "**Festa Italiana**" Spaghetti Bingo, is selling out fast! Buy your tickets today! You won't want to miss the delicious spaghetti dinner provided by **Original Joe's**, lively Bingo games and carnival booths in the yard. The fun begins **after 4:30pm mass on Saturday, October 1st at Donworth Hall.**

TICKETS

Tickets are available online at www.spaghettingo.com and will sell out very quickly! We recommend buying your tickets today if you are interested in bringing your family to this fun event! Each ticket will include a bracelet for dinner and a bingo card. Additional bingo cards, drink tickets and carnival game tickets are also available for purchase online. Anything purchased online will be ready for you upon check-in on October 1st.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Spaghetti Bingo fun is made possible by generous donations from our community. To ensure a *festa* that is *splendido* for everyone, we are seeking donations of Amazon and Safeway Scrip, small new toys for Bingo prizes, and bottles of wine (worth \$20+). We will be stationed at both the lower and upper gates at drop-off and pick-up this **Thursday, September 8th and Friday, September 9th**. Each \$25 donation will earn you a volunteer hour! If you can't make these times, email us to connect. Donations will also be accepted at the first Women's Guild Meeting this month.

Please contact our **Spaghetti Bingo Chairs** (Jen Garlasco, Andrea Murphy, Jennifer O'Keeffe and Shawna Stecher) with questions at spaghettingo@gmail.com.

SCRIP UPDATE

Welcome back to school! It's always a great time to get working on your Scrip profit and the Scrip Team is here to help. Here are some reminders and updates:

- Ordering and payment need to be made online at www.RaiseRight.com or through the app
- Orders for physical gift cards placed by Tuesday each week will be available for pick up the following week on Monday mornings in front of the gym or from the School Office on Thursday afternoons
- We are excited to announce that we now carry Sports Basement scrip in a \$25 physical gift card at a 16% rebate!

If you don't remember your Username or Password or have any questions about the Scrip Program, email us at sswgScrip@gmail.com



OFFICE

- Reminder: please send your child to school with everything needed for snack and lunch periods including utensils, napkins, and water bottle. Thank you!
- Please submit items for Wednesday's newsletter by Monday prior to the email newsletter@sfststephenschool.org

SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING EXPECTATIONS

Prayerful Christians
Effective Communicators
Accountable Citizens
Confident Learners and Problem Solvers
Empathetic Individuals

It is the mission of St. Stephen School community to educate children in a nurturing faith-filled environment that addresses the whole child, spiritually and intellectually. Parents are recognized as the primary educators of their children and we collaborate with them in our role as their children's teachers. It is our mission to provide students with an opportunity to grow in their relationship with God as they pursue academic excellence. Students in this community are encouraged to be mindful of the dignity of all people and to actively work for peace and justice in the world. Instructional programs designed to reflect justice in the world. Instructional programs designed to reflect the Gospel teaching of Jesus Christ prepare students to become empathetic, responsible members of society, who are committed to working within their diverse community and the global society.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- September 12th - Dismissal @ 12:15 p.m. WCEA/WASC Meeting
- September 19th - Dismissal @ 2:30 p.m.
- September 22nd - Riordan High School 8th Grade Visit @ 11 a.m.
- September 22nd - Sacred Heart Cathedral 8th Grade Visit @ 11 a.m.
- September 26th - Dismissal @ 12:15 p.m.
- September 29th - St. Ignatius 8th Grade Visit @ 11 a.m.
- September 30th - **FREE DRESS**