



St. Francis of Assisi

Elementary School - Sacramento, California

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GUBBIO GAZETTE

May 12, 2010

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary School is dedicated to living the Gospel values. Our Franciscan, academically challenging curriculum teaches and supports students in becoming contributing members of their communities.

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Schoolwide Learning Expectations

A St. Francis of Assisi Student is:

A) **Spiritual** *who*

- understands the Catholic faith
- demonstrates Gospel values
- actively participates in prayer celebrations
- shows a love of God, others, and self

B) **Academic** *who*

- actively solves problems and thinks critically
- makes progress through the diocesan standards
- develops and shares knowledge and talents
- demonstrates a curiosity and respect for learning

C) **Respectful** *who*

- appreciates diversity and the uniqueness of others
- practices good citizenship
- lives the "Acts of Courtesy"
- cares for God's creations

D) **Confident** *who*

- recognizes self-worth
- leads and cooperates
- embraces challenges
- always perseveres

E) **Responsible** *who*

- practices self-discipline
- makes Christ-like decisions
- owns his/her choices
- is trustworthy

Principal's Message

Dear St. Francis of Assisi Parents,

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Mothers' Day Diaper Drive for the Sacramento Food Bank. It was a huge success and I know your donations will truly assist many mothers and babies in our community. I hope your Mothers' Day was filled with lots of love!

Please make sure you download and print out the 2010-2011 school year calendar that is attached to this Gubbio. The Friday dismissal times are changing for next school year so please look closely. Each First Friday will be a noon dismissal for staff development/faculty meetings, the second and fourth Fridays will have a regular weekday dismissal (3:00 or 3:15), and every third Friday will be a 2:00 dismissal for faculty meetings. So, basically we have shortened one Friday a month, but lengthened two.

As we wind down our school year, please continue to make sure your child is focusing on their schoolwork. Many students tend to get "spring fever" about now, and schoolwork becomes less of a priority. Remember, your child needs to successfully pass all seven core subjects in order to be promoted to the next grade without having to attend summer school.

May our loving God continue to bless you and your family!

Mrs. Laurie Power



St. Francis Elementary
School Calendar
May 2010

May

- 13 SAC Meeting, 5:30 pm
- 14 Talent Show, Grades 6-8, 1:30 pm
- 18 New Parent Dinner, 5:30 pm
- 19-20 Drama Club Performance, 6:00 pm
- 25 Choir Pizza Party, Lunch
- 26 8th Grade Retreat
- 31 NO SCHOOL ~ Memorial Day

June

- 1 Baccalaureate Mass, 8:10 am
- 1 8th Grade Graduation, 7:00 pm
- 2 School Picnic, 9:00 am – 2:30 pm
- 4 Kindergarten Graduation, 10:00 am
- 4 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
11am DISMISSAL

DRAMA CLUB

The St. Francis of Assisi Elementary School
Drama Club

will be presenting

The Patchwork Girl of Oz

on May 19th and 20th at 6 P.M. in the gym.

The Patchwork Girl of Oz is based on the
seventh book in the *Land of Oz* series
by L. Frank Baum.

This story features Ojo the Unlucky
on a quest to wave his aunt with the help
from friends he gathers along the way:

The Patchwork Girl, the Stone Girl,
the Woozy, and the Scarecrow.

The performances will last about an hour.

Tickets are free for
St. Francis of Assisi Elementary Students,
\$5.00 for adults, and
\$4.00 for students from other schools

Religion Round-up

*This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118*



Congratulations to all those
who made their First Communion
recently! We are so proud of you!

Last week our first graders did a great
job sharing how their mothers show them love.
They continue to grow in confidence and in
their reading skills.

On Monday our third grade led us in a
beautiful prayer service about the appearance
of Mary at Lourdes, France. They brought
flowers to honor Mary and recited a decade of
the rosary with us.

Tomorrow our school will celebrate our
monthly Mass. This will be the first school
Mass that will include second graders at the
Communion table. Those who have made their
First Communion will be wearing their special
First Communion clothes. After Mass they will
bring flowers to honor Mary. One lucky girl will
place a crown of flowers on our statue of Mary
to remind us that she is Queen of heaven and
earth.

Next Monday our fifth grade will be
leading our prayer service. It is the last Easter
prayer service of the year. The year is flying
by!

Our schedule for the rest of the year is as follows:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Led by</u> | <u>Time</u> |
|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Thurs May 13 | 2 nd Mass | 8:30 a.m. |
| Mon May 17 | 5 th Prayer Service | 8:10 a.m. |
| Mon May 24 | 8 th Prayer Service | 8:10 a.m. |
| Tues June 1 | 5 th Baccalaureate Mass | 8:15 a.m. |

Parents are always welcome to join us for prayer
services and Masses.

St. Francis Parent Club

Thank you to everyone who participated in our
St. Francis Nights at Uncle Vito's/Pronto's and California
Pizza Kitchen. We made a total of \$853.27 from both
events (\$200 at Uncle Vito's/Pronto's and \$653.27
CPK). Thank you parents!

We added a fundraising thermometer to the
bulletin board just inside the front door and on our
website so you can see how we are doing to meet our
2009 - 2010 fundraising goals. This year we raised a
total of \$84,900.46 - well over our \$77,500 budget!
Thank you for your support!