



Plant a seed of kindness and watch it grow!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

April 20, 2018

You likely heard about all of the exciting activities that made up our 2018 Kindness Challenge Week. It was a fun week made possible by the dedication of a handful of people. Special thanks are extended to the students on the Kindness Task Force. Among other duties, these young leaders



organized all of the kindness stations, counted all of the students' checklists, hosted a cake raffle, and facilitated our kindness tunnel. I must also recognize Mrs. Horne, Mrs. Welter, and Ms. Steele for all of their work with the Kindness Task Force and for making this very special week possible. Lastly, many thanks go out to all of our vendors and local restaurants that supported our Kindness Challenge Week.

Special thanks are extended to the Greater Brookland Garden Club for partnering with us last Saturday for our "Growing Gardeners in Brookland" event. Families enjoyed painting pots, planting seeds, and enjoying the company of new and old friends!

Our campus looks cleaner and more cheerful thanks to Mrs. Horne, Ms. Kane, our first graders, and our parent helpers! Today was their annual Earth Day service project. They picked up trash around the church and school and also planted flowers in several pots and gardens around the school. A job well-done!



Also today, students in grades 2-5 enjoyed a two-hour financial literacy workshop. We are grateful to the American Bankers Association for sponsoring this "Teach Children to Save" initiative and look forward to working with them in the future. Ms. Alison McIntyre, a second grade parent, must be recognized for connecting our school with the association. Thank you!

Night of the Arts... Join us in Margot Hall this Thursday, April 24th at 6:00 PM for our annual "Night of the Arts." All students will have artwork on exhibit and our "St. Anthony Steppers" will make their debut! Come out, show your support, and have fun!

CYO Banquet... Our 2018 CYO Banquet will be held on the evening of Friday, April 27th in Margot Hall. We look forward to thanking our dedicated team of coaches and celebrating our talented student athletes.

¡Celebrar!... In honor of Cinco de Mayo we will host our first “Taco in a Bag” lunch and our first spelling bee in Spanish, also known as “Concurso de deletro.” Order forms for the taco lunch can be found in the Friday Folder and also on our website. The “Taco in a Bag” lunch will be on May 3rd. The “Concurso de Deletro” will be held on Tuesday, May 8th in Margot Hall. Times vary by class. All are welcome to join the audience.

Grades 1-2 ("Juniors")	1:00-1:25 PM
Grades 3-5 ("Experts")	1:30 to 2:00 PM
Grades 6-8 ("Masters")	2:05 to 2:40 PM

Please see Senora Garcia or Senora Bunker for more details.

Career Day... Our students will one day be leaders in the world of the arts, business, church, entertainment, and government, but first they need exposure to the many exciting careers out there. Career Day gives them this opportunity. Your help is needed to make this annual event a success. Please help us recruit artists, engineers, chefs, doctors, entrepreneurs, lawyers, dentists, and individuals from other exciting careers. Help us make this a great day! Career Day is on Tuesday, April 24th beginning at 9:00 AM and concluding at 11:00 AM. Contact Ms. Bacon, Ms. Moore, or Ms. Thomas to learn more.

First Holy Communion... Our second grade students and one third grader will receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 6th at 10:00 AM. (Those receiving the sacrament should report to Margot Hall at 9:30 AM. A light reception will follow in Margot Hall. All are encouraged to worship and celebrate with us!

Schedule Change... Our Spring Concert has been postponed. A new date will be announced on Monday.

Graduation... Mark June 8th on your calendars! Our Baccalaureate Mass is at 10:00 AM and Commencement is at 7:00 PM. A light reception will follow both the Mass and the ceremony. All are welcome.

This Sunday our Advanced Band is performing at the Annual Archdiocesan Festival at St. John’s College High School. All are welcome to support our band teacher, Ms. Caroline Aylward, and our talented students. We will perform between 1:00-1:15 PM. I hope to see you there!

Enjoy your weekend.
Sincerely,

Michael Thomasian
Principal



Recent Facebook posts include: “Growing Gardeners in Brookland,” kindergarten’s new chicks, Kindness Challenge Week photos, and so much more! You can easily access our Facebook page through our school’s website!

Proudly celebrating our 95th year!