



St. John the Evangelist

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Family Ready Now! April 10, 2017

Core Value: **SERVE**

WEEK 1

FAST

When we fill our lives with obligations, relationships, or ways of thinking that distract us from focusing on Jesus, we are less able to experience life to its fullest. This week challenges you to create space in your life for the full life Jesus came to give us.

WEEK 2

Pray

Prayer can seem mysterious, either because of doubts about the ability of prayer or because it's difficult to incorporate prayer into daily life. The challenge for week 2 is to make time in your day to read and pray the Lord's Prayer, then to create your own prayer based on the model of the Lord's Prayer.

WEEK 3

GIVE

When we give of ourselves by using the gifts God has given us to serve others, we are able to uniquely worship God. This week challenges you to explore your gifts and talents and then creatively use those to serve those around you.

WEEK 4

THANK

Thankfulness is more than an expression; it is an attitude of life. When we are thankful we are better able to experience blessings in our lives. The challenge for this week is to thank someone in your life who has expressed God's goodness to you. This week also challenges you to express God's goodness to others in your life.

WEEK 5

SERVE

God values everyone equally and immensely. When we express this to each other we are experiencing life with more love. This week challenges you to think critically about how your actions value others.

WEEK 6

REFLECT

Living a full life requires change. During this week, we will reflect on each of the previous weeks, what we have learned, and how we will recommit ourselves to those actions, even after this journey is over.

Dear St. John Families,

The last couple of months have swiftly gone by. About a month ago I included an update the Family Ready Now on the status of the Capital Campaign with alternative options based on funding. I am updating you once again on where we are with this campaign. The process has been challenging due to a couple of setbacks.

First, we were did not receive the grant from the Angels of Charity for Children. In addition to this, designated funds from the Our Lady of the Valley Parish that we were to receive in September of 2017 was postponed. We currently do not have a time frame when the funds will be release. Therefore, through prayer, guidance, consultation and support from Monsignor Trevizo, Superintendent of Schools –Sheri Dahl, and NDAA, St. Johns will not add additional portables. Funds from Capital Campaign, Catholic Foundation, and raised are designated only to the restroom renovation.

St. John's student enrollment has a rapidly increased in the last couple of years. We enrolled 100 new students this school year and have experienced the growing pains. With this comes the challenge of providing additional classroom spaces. Now that we are serving students at maximum capacity, the emphasis should be on protecting our school mission and culture –Catholic Identity –holding students and parents to the utmost high standards. Another emphasis is to increase the level of student learning. We intend to work harder towards accomplishing our school wide goal – 80% of students achieving at the 80% percentile National Average by 2020. The prioritization of these two factors is essential for leading us closer to *College and Heaven*.

I am pleased to share the good news that we were granted the full amount of \$15,000 from the Catholic Foundation to help fund the renovation of the restrooms. We also raised \$788 from the Penny Wars fundraiser. We could not have accomplished this without the participation of the parents and students. We are looking forward to two more major fundraisers to support the Capital Campaign at the parish and school level which will go towards the restroom renovation.

Please keep St. Johns in your prayers as we move forward into the next school year.

United in Christ
M. Solorzano



Thunder Bolt Fun Run & Health & Wellness Fair Friday, April 28, 2017

Thunder Bolt - from 2 - 3 pm

K-3rd Grade must complete 4 laps earn participation prize

4th-8th Grade must complete 10 laps to earn participation prize

Students who receive 10 sponsors or \$50 in pledges will receive an event t-shirt. (Families with 3 or more children can raise \$100 as a family to every child to receive a t-shirt)

Money is due on April 11 - before Spring break.

From 3 pm - 6 pm, there will be a health and wellness fair for students and families. Mrs. Tolentino will be doing a Zumba demonstration and other fun vendors will be present!

Parent Volunteers Needed!

- Day of help with run 1 pm - 3 pm
- Water bottles and watermelon/orange slice donations
- Use of 3 - 4 pop-up tents for the afternoon



April 10th

- **School Mass 8:15am**
- **Be Ready Now: Spiritually and proper Mass uniform**
- **Chrism Mass: This Mass is to honor the priests with holy oil.**
Location: St. Augustine Cathedral (down town)
Time: 2pm
SJE will be represented by administration, campus ministry and student ambassadors.
- **School Advisory Board Meeting: 5:30pm at the parish conference room**

April 3-May 3rd

- **Your child's attendance during testing is extremely important. The testing window will close after May 3rd.**
- **Ensure that your child gets at least 8 hours sleep**
- **Healthy breakfast and lunch**

April 11th

- NO Tutoring
- 1PM Dismissal

April 12th

- **Easter Break Begins for students**
- **No School**
- **Teacher Professional Development**

April 24th

- **Back to School**

April 29th

- Arizona Bilingual News: Children's Day Festival
- 10am-2pm
- Children's Museum (FREE) 200 S. 6th Ave
- Food, games, and entertainment
- Writing contest/Shadow a community leader



- The Arizona Bilingual News is a sponsor of the Children's Day Festival located at the Children's Museum in Tucson. All families are invited to this grand event free to the community. They are hosting a writing contest called the "Role Model Contest". Students in grades 4-8 are encouraged to enter the contest by writing an essay explaining why their local leaders are their role models. A flyer will be emailed to parents explaining details. We will have card copies in the school office. Please submit your child's essay to the

school office no later than April 15th. The winner of the contest will be invited to spend a few hours, with a parent present, with their chosen leaders. He/she will receive a certificate.

- 2017 Summer Reading Camp: Reading is Out of this World! For NDAA students (Santa Cruz & St. John) currently enrolled in grades K-5. Fliers will be available in the school office week of the 13th. Registration begins on March 6th. Deadline is May 5th.

Cost: \$15 per student, one week

\$30 per student, two weeks

Payment due at the time of registration

Dates: July 3-7, 2017 Session 1

July 10-14, 2017 Session 2

Time: Camp drop off: 7:30-7:45am

Breakfast served 7:15-7:45am

Camp pick up: 12:45-1:00pm

Lunch served 12:30-1:00pm

Opportunity to Earn Commitment Hours:

We are in urgent need of additional supervision for the lunch and recess monitors.

We are seeking substitute teachers. Please contact the office manager Veronica Monreal for information about qualifications and application 624-3865.

Please call or come into the school office to inquire about these opportunity of service.

Office: 624-3865

GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS

Every Minute in School Counts



Congratulations to Ms. House's 2nd grade class, for earning the attendance trophy. They have demonstrated Nothing Short of Excellence with 100% attendance for 4 consecutive days.



HAVE A BLESSED EASTER!

"ANCORA IMPARO"

"I AM ALWAYS LEARNING"