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PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well as we enter the month of March, a time for reflection and renewal as we journey through the Lenten season towards Easter. Let us take this opportunity to reflect on our faith journey and continue to draw closer to God.

During these 40 days, let us commit to prayer, acts of kindness, and service as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of Easter. Let us strive to follow the example of Jesus Christ, who showed us the way of love, compassion, and forgiveness. As a school community, let us support one another on this journey of faith. Let us be mindful of our actions, kindness, and understanding of all those around us. Let us take this opportunity to grow in our faith and strengthen our bonds with each other.

May this Lenten season be a time of transformation and renewal for each of us. May we emerge from this season with hearts full of gratitude and spirits renewed by the love of God. I am wishing you all a blessed Lenten season filled with prayer, reflection, and blessings.

Friendly Reminders:

- 1. Please make sure your student is re-registered for the 2024-2025 academic school year. Contact the main office for support and guidance as the process has changed to a digital platform (SchoolAdmin). If families are experiencing extenuating financial circumstances and may need tuition assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the main office for help and support.
- 2. Casino Night Save the Date for Saturday, March 16 from 5:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you for an evening filled with fun, joy, and luck!
- 3. Fiesta Save the Date for Sunday, April 28 from 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. as we celebrate our 54th Annual Flesta with food, entertainment, and family games.

Blessings,

PROUD PRINCIPAL
J. GUZMAN





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"Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me."

- Breastplate of St. Patrick



DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS AND FINANCE

In the words of Mother Teresa: "Peace begins with a smile."

BY LINDA LUNA

Greetings Saint Families!

As we head in this month of March, a friendly reminder that any pending fees will be billed via Blackbaud Accounts for Sports related activities. If you have questions reach out to our Main Office, and we will gladly assist you. If families are experiencing extenuating financial circumstances and may need tuition assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the Main Office for help and support.

As we approach Holy Week, let us remember that even though the road ahead may seem difficult at times, His light is there for all who seek it.



DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND ADVANCEMENT

BY THERESA VALENZUELA

The month of March is an exciting one in the Marketing Department! We are sending letters of acceptance to our future Freshmen class! The caliber of our student applicants gives us hope and joy in welcoming them in the Fall of 2024.

We are still accepting applications; if you know anyone interested in enrolling in Grades 9-12 this fall, please have them contact me at 805-483-9502 ext. 14, or follow the link to apply online: https://santaclarahighschool.schooladminonline.com/portal

We are a little more than a month away from Fiesta! Thank you to all parents who have signed up to assist. Please see the calendar for our Zoom parent meetings.

Get ready for our Alumni - and honorary Alumni- campaign! Watch for your postcards to arrive!



VICE PRINCIPAL

BY TERESA PALMISANO

"And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites...But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. (Matthew 6:16-18).

The meaning of Lent revolves around preparation, reflection, and penance. During Lent, we engage in practices such as fasting, prayer, and almsgiving as a way to deepen our connection with God and to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. I extend my wish that you may know the joy, hope and peace of the Risen Lord this Easter Season.

Our Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, March 6 from 4pm to 6pm. The Conferences are a drop-in basis and will be in the teacher's classrooms. These conferences are mandatory to attend if your student currently has a C- or below in any of their classes.

Midterms are scheduled for March 13 (Periods 1,2,3) and 14 (Periods 4,5,6). We will have a modified schedule with dismissal at 12:10pm. Progress reports will be mailed the week of March 18.



DIRECTOR OF ACTIVITIES

Hello Saint Families,

BY SAGE SCHNEIDERBAUER

Throughout February:

- We celebrated Valentines Day with a special dress day and flower grams.
- We celebrated Leap Day with 'Leap into the Past' theme day and activities around campus.
- Clean & Green Club went on a field trip to the Del Norte Recycling Center and participated in Beach Cleanup, where they were able to remove over 6lbs of microplastics from Silver Strand Beach.
- Dance Club is back and had their first class.

<u>Upcoming Events:</u>

- Sophomore Retreat March 5th
- Spring Sports Rally March 8th with dismissal at 12:30pm
- · Junior Retreat March 11th
- ASB is holding their last casual dance of the year: 'MORP!'
 - o Friday, March 8th at 7pm.
 - · Tickets are currently on sale via GoFan
 - Guest passes are available in the office and are due 3/7/24
- · Yearbooks are currently available for sale in the office \$125
 - There are a limited amount available, be sure to purchase yours before they're gone.
- · Senior Yearbook Ads on sale through 3/8
 - Payments can be made in the office, any questions please email schneiderbauer@santaclarahighschool.com
- · Stations of the Cross March 26th





DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS:

Hello Saints Families,

BY JESUS LANDEROS



CASINO NIGHT is March 16th. Tickets are now available to buy at the office. I received a lot of help and great input from parents during the last two meetings. I would like to thank all the parents for going far and beyond to helping me out. All students are responsible to sell two tickets at \$50/each. Each ticket comes with a meal, drink, raffle ticket, and funny money to gamble.

Our spring sports are now in full affect, Baseball, Softball, Beach Volleyball, Swim, Track and Field have had games or competitions.

I welcome you to continue and help out with our sporting events, parents are always welcome to help out and receive parents hours.

I would like to take the opportunity to remind all parents that sports fees are due at the beginning of each sport season. Sports fees for all Spring sports are \$260 and they are past due.

We had our Winter Sports Banquet this past Wednesday. We celebrate our winter student-athletes. I would like to thank everyone who made it out and helped out as well.

Please reach out if you have any questions. landeros@santaclarahighschool.com or 213-675-9647

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: KADYN SANCHEZ

BY THERESA VALENZUELA

PLAY BALL! This month we spotlight Sophomore Kadyn Sanchez, who has been playing softball since the age of 5. With a dad who played baseball, it might have been destiny for Kadyn to take the field herself. As a year-round player with the Corona Angels, Sanchez and her team qualified for Nationals, which will be held this summer in Indiana. As the starting pitcher for the Santa Clara Saints last season, Sanchez and her teammates qualified for playoffs. When asked what she looks forward to this season, Sanchez replied, "I enjoy playing with the rest of the team, and winning CIF league." In addition to being a busy athlete, Sanchez is also an Honor Roll student, currently maintaining a 4.3 GPA. How does she keep it all from overwhelming her? "I try to live in the moment, enjoy the present, and see the present as a gift." Kadyn Sanchez, YOU are a gift to the Santa Clara community!





MARCH UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/4 P.T.O. Meeting @6pm Zoom
- 3/5 Sophomore Retreat
- 3/6 Parent-Teacher Conferences from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. (No Appointment needed).
- 3/11 Junior Retreat
- 3/13 3/14 Midterms
- 3/15 No School
- 3/20 School Mass at 11:15 a.m.
- 3/26 Stations of the Cross Senior class reenactment
- 3/27 Minimum Day dismissal 11:45 a.m.
- 3/28 4/5 Spring Break