

St. Frances of Rome Parish School
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Dear St. Frances of Rome Families:

My gratitude goes out to our faculty, staff and families who made our WASC visit an outstanding success. The team was highly impressed with the quality of education provided at St. Frances of Rome School and by the Catholic identity witnessed on our campus. The WASC visitation report is available for your review in the school office should you have any questions or require any information. Enclosed are the strengths listed by the accreditation team. A special thanks to Mr. Michael Helbert, Mr. Walter Gomez, Mrs. Karen Aristizabal and Mrs. Paredes for the hospitality they offered to the team during their three day visit, it was an immense help to us. A special thanks to all the parents and grandparents who took the time to attend the parent meeting and share their views about the school. The school will receive notice of the accreditation in June 2010.

The next general PTO meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2010. This meeting will have information about tuition for the year 2010-2011 and the plans we have in enhancing the school's curriculum and other technological growth. We are looking at an extremely nominal but essential increase in tuition. Please attend this meeting to receive first hand information on our future prospects and I will be pleased to answer any questions you may have. Child care will be available by VIRTUSED parents. Enclosed is the nomination forms for the elections of the new PTO, please consider these nominations and send in your form as soon as possible. Elections will be held on May 20, 2010.

We continue to test new students for the upcoming academic year, we encourage you to please turn in your registration fee as soon as possible to secure a spot for your child. We are currently investing in new text books for science and would like to make an accurate assessment of our future needs.

The next Children's Mass is scheduled for March 28, at 9:30 a.m. Please come and join us in the celebration. I thank Mrs. Alvarado and Mr. Mendoza for preparing our students for this celebration. A special thanks to Ms. Branca and the first grade class for the beautiful mass they celebrated last week.

I pray that you have a holy Lenten season and God bless you and your families.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Arellano

March 10, 2010

Enclosures:

PTO Nomination form

WASC Report List of Strengths

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Kinder and 8th Graduation Pictures

March 17, 8:05am

Graduation: 8th grade

Wednesday, June 2, 7:00pm

Graduation: Kinder

Wednesday, June 9, 10:00am

Last week of school

June 7-10

12:30 pm dismissal

June 11

End of the year Mass 8:30 a.m., followed by Awards.

11:00 a.m. Dismissal.

Books, Buildings and Bright Futures

Dinner Dance

Get your Tickets NOW!!

We have many reasons to celebrate and many more achievements to fund.

Please come support your school and have a great night of dancing and fun.

Single \$75

Couple \$130

All proceeds to go the school to fund our new windows and school wide science and technology program.



NEED SERVICE HOURS?

We need help selling Dinner dance Tickets at all the masses this and next weekend.

Please sign up for receiving double hours.

Please contact Mrs. Jennifer Paredes to sign up.

We continue to collect auction and gift basket items . Please send in your items to your child's class. The classroom that collects the most items will receive Free Dress Friday.

EAT OUT FOR SCHOOL NIGHT

Please join us on

Thursday, March 18, 2010

At Shakey's.

All proceeds to go towards purchasing a CRICUT Di-cut machine.

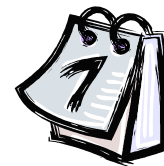
Our next Eat out Night is at

Islands, West Covina

On April 15, 2010

IMPORTANT DATES

- March 12: Stations of the Cross: 9:30am
- March 15: Presentation on teen texting and the implications for students:
by Baldwin Park PD
- March 18: Eat out for School Night: Shakey's
- March 19: NO SCHOOL: Religious Ed. Congress
- March 23: Mandatory PTO Meeting 7:00pm



PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT:

Have you ever wondered what all the texting lingo means? What do words actually represent and what are the messages are children are receiving? The answers will surprise you.

Parents are invited to a parent education night about "Sexting and its effect on our children and society". This very informative presentation is designed specifically for parents. You are strongly encouraged to attend and be informed of how we can secure our children's safety on the phone lines.

The presentation is to be held on

March 29, 2010.

At 6:30 pm in the 8th grade classroom.

Thank you Mrs. Lili Rubio for organizing.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 8TH GRADERS FOR BEING ACCEPTED INTO THE SCHOOLS OF THEIR CHOICE.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO MRS.LENNON FOR PREPARING OUR STUDENTS FOR THEIR HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS.

St. Lucy's: Allie R.

Bishop Amat: Christina Alvarez, John Duque, Miguel Tan, Hector Ramirez, Elizabeth Ramirez

Don Bosco: John Duque, Miguel Tan.

Damien: Richard Torress, Salvador Escalante



All staff and faculty for a wonderful open house and successful WASC visit.

The PTO board for hospitality at Open House. We raised \$315 from Pizza Sales.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rubio for organizing our Eat out for School Nights.

Mr. Thomas Rojas for updating our marquee and conducting our fire drills.

Mrs. Rossana Helbert for undertaking the students hearing and vision.

Mrs. Caroyl Howard for always substituting for us however short the notice.

Fr. Gustavo for his kind words of encouragement through our WASC process.

Fr. Al for celebrating mass with us and visiting our classrooms.

Ms. Karen Aristizabal for all our newspaper articles and publicity.

Mrs. Martinez for donating her time to sell nachos for 8th grade on Fridays.