



FAMILY NEWSLETTER
February 6, 2008 #20
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TARGET DATES

Wednesday, Feb. 6	* Ash Wednesday Mass 10:30 a.m.
Thursday, Feb. 7	* 8 th grade Graduation Pictures
	* Principal's Meeting – <u>NO COFFEE WITH MR. BOEGEL</u>
Monday, Feb. 11	* 2 nd grade Sacramental meeting 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 12	* 5 th and 6 th grade to "The Cay"
Wednesday, Feb. 13	* Grades 1-7 Application Deadline
	* Kindergarten Screening
Thursday, Feb. 14	* Kindergarten Screening
Friday, Feb. 15	* 12:45 Dismissal
Monday, Feb. 18	* NO School – President's Day
Thursday, Feb. 21	* Coffee with Mr. Boegel
Monday, Feb. 25	* 2 nd grade First Confession 7:00 p.m.

***REMINDER: Re-registration for current students
will be coming in March!
Watch the newsletter for more information.***

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...

Dear Parents,

This morning we had our beautiful Ash Wednesday Mass to commemorate the beginning of the Lenten season. Barbara Balbi returned to help orchestrate yet another wonderful service. May you have a blessed Lenten season!

As I mentioned in last week's email, St. Matthew's is undergoing our WCEA / WASC assessment next year. In addition to the team coming to the school next year to evaluate us, we are going to evaluate ourselves in the mean time. In order to take a look at our areas of strength and areas of growth, we are asking the parent community to complete a quick online survey. Please go to the following site to complete your survey:

<http://www.zoomerang.com/recipient/survey-intro.zgi?p=WEB227DH7DF5G8>

It is extremely important that everyone from the parent community participate in the survey, so that we can assess the school and its programs as accurately as possible. Please log on ASAP!

Thank you in advance!
Mr. B.



Rice Bowl Campaign... A letter about the Rice Bowl Campaign, Rice Bowl and a calendar from Catholic Relief Services has been distributed to each child today. Lent is a time of sacrifice as well as a time to prepare ourselves for the joy of Easter. When our campaign is over, March 5, please convert any cash and coins to a check, payable to St. Matthew School. Thank You.

February is Health and Safety Month...

This month Mr. Downey and Ms. Loveland will be meeting with all the students for the annual Student Health and Safety Education. Throughout the month the students will be participating in activities and discussions on Health and Safety. The students will be meeting by class with both Mr. Downey (PE) and Ms. Loveland (School Counselor) on topics such as personal safety awareness, self-defense, and peer pressure. The month will conclude with the Jump Rope For Health on February 27th. If you have any questions please feel free to call Mr. Downey at x159 or Ms. Loveland x141.

Science News... The following girls were selected by their peers and teacher, to participate in the Mercy "Girls in Science" event: Katherine Burke, Paolina Della Bordella, Jessica Mallos, Priscilla Menjivar, Rebecca Re, Jordan Coffey, Melissa Montinola and Lucy Lotz. Congratulations to Jordan Coffey – 1st Place, Jessica Mallos – Go Green Award, and all the girls for their contributions to win the "Most Outstanding School" award!!

The Saint Matthew Science Fair Winners are:

6th Grade

1st - Kyle Moscaret

2nd - Jack Sheedy

3rd - Aidan Healy

HM - Megan Dickerson and Julia Villanueva

7th Grade

1st - Kathryn Burke

2nd - Paolina Della Bordella

3rd - Bobby Tift

HM - Devyn Jackson and Keaton Pablos

Special Entrants

Jordan Coffey, Jessica Mallos, Jake Mercurio

We wish them luck at the San Mateo County Science Fair!

Cub Scouts... Congratulations to all the Pack #133 Cubs for their efforts at the January 'Raingutter Regatta'. The sailing was superb; the races competitive; and the families' support was super. Winners were recognized and all the Cubs were great sports!

All Scout families and friends are invited to the annual 'Blue & Gold Dinner' on Wednesday, February 13th, 7:00 p.m. at Serra High School. Wonderful food, drinks and camaraderie will be shared by the Cubs and their families. The second annual Cub Scout 'Bake Sale' will be conducted with plenty of tasty treats up for auction. COME ONE, COME ALL!!!

Used Uniform Sale - Winter Clearance

Friday, February 15, 12:00PM - 1:45PM, Ward Hall

Save BIG on gently used uniforms - sweatshirts, polos, khakis, jumpers, fleece jackets and more!!

YARD DUTY SCHEDULE 11:15-12:45

Feb. 11

Escobar

Feeney

Figueroa

FitzGerald

Foote

Feb. 12

Freitag

Garces-Saldana

Ghiselli

Goligoski

Graf

Feb. 13

Hamm

Healy (Tim/Carolyn)

Hoang

Holland

Lewis (Randy/Carmen)

Feb. 14

King

Kmak

Lancaster

Langlinais

Levitt

***** **Reminder:** Please make sure you report to Yard Duty on your specified date. The updated schedule is printed here in the newsletter and is posted on the St. Matthew website under the heading, "Parent Life." *****

TRAFFIC SCHEDULE

WEEK OF:	Feb. 11	6-1	Feb. 25	5-1
	Feb. 19	6-2	March 3	5-2
	March 10	4-1	March 17	4-2

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Sat, Feb. 9 – 5:30 p.m. – Justin and Alex Lee, Jenna McCormick, Jennifer Valladares, Cori Martin

Sun., Feb. 10 – 7:30 a.m. – Michael and Robbie Foiles

10:30 a.m. – Derek and Danielle Jow, Rachel Yan, Matthew Maniquis, Kelsey Yee

12:30 p.m. – Patrick Razon, Alessandro Engo, Vanessa Neumann