



The Cougar Connection



Creator God, You call us to be servants in the spirit of Your Son, Jesus. May we have a light heart and a sensitive spirit that will enable us to recognize opportunities to make a difference in someone's life. Help us to hear Your call each day, and say "yes" to the invitation to be Your followers. Amen.

PRAYERS: We ask that you continue to keep in prayer all our families and extended families who are experiencing difficult times. Our St. Columba community is a true blessing.

NO SCHOOL: Friday, March 16th school will be closed. This is a Teacher In-Service Day. Preschool will be open with a regular day schedule. Good Friday, March 30th, school and preschool will be closed.

GALA 2018: Gala is here! See you this Saturday, March 10th for an evening of lots of fun at the Four Points by Sheraton. Thank you to all our families, parishioners and friends who have made the commitment to support our Gala. A very special thank you to our PTG Board for organizing this event and for all the many hours making this special evening happen for our school, and to the parent volunteers who helped in some way for your gift of time. This is a wonderful way to help our school.

CRS RICE BOWL: Keep collecting coins during Lent for CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-in-action program for helping people in need around the world. We will collect all Rice Bowls on Holy Thursday, March 29th.

CATHOLIC SPORTS LEAGUE TRACK MEET: Good luck to all the students who will be participating this Saturday, March 10th in the track meet at Cathedral Catholic High School. Thank you, to Mr. Fairchild for organizing this event.

SPORTS PICTURE DAY: Monday, March 12th is sports picture day. Students on peewee soccer through JV & Varsity teams will have their picture taken. You can wear your sports jersey with uniform bottoms. No Cleats! Picture order forms were sent home on Monday, March 5th. If you wish to order pictures, please fill out the order form and return with payment on Monday, picture day.

PTG GENERAL MEETING: We welcome you to join us Wednesday, March 14th for our PTG general meeting starting at 6:00 pm. We encourage you to attend this informational meeting. The class with the highest parent attendance will have a free dress day.

SCIENCE STEM ACTIVITY FAMILY NIGHT: Just around the corner is Science Stem Family Night for grades K through 8th. We welcome all our families to join this fun event, Wednesday, March 21st from 5:30 7:00 pm. Each class will be hosting a different aspect of science. Lots of fun for the entire family!

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH 10-

- GALA 2018 6:00-11:00

MARCH 11-

- Daylight Savings Begins

MARCH 12-

- Morning Assembly 8:00
- Sports Picture Day

MARCH 13-

- MCA Sr. Doreen visits
- After School Band 2:55-4:55
- Greater San Diego Science & Engineering Fair/Balboa Park Activities Center

MARCH 14-

- Parents in Prayer 8:00-8:30 Library
- Spanish Gr. 1-2 3:00-3:30/Gr. 3-4 3:30-4:00
- PTG General Meeting 6:00

MARCH 15-

- San Diego County Spelling Bee/Hall of Champions Balboa Park
- Spanish Gr. 5-8 3:00-3:30

MARCH 16-

- No School/Teacher In-Service
- Preschool will be open

MARCH 17-

- St. Patrick's Day

MARCH 19-

- Morning Assembly 8:00

MARCH 20-

- After School Band 2:55-4:55

MARCH 21-

- Parents in Prayer 8:00-8:30 Library
- Spanish Gr. 1-2 3:00-3:30/Gr. 3-4 3:30-4:00
- STEM Family Night 5:30-7:00

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: Mark your calendar! Come join us for family movie night Saturday, March 24th in the parish hall. Doors open at 6:00 pm – movie begins at 6:30 pm. Featuring “*COCO*”! All children must be accompanied by an adult. More information coming home soon!

RE-REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR: Reminder: If you haven't returned your registration form for the upcoming school year, please do so promptly. Registration fee is \$250.00 per child if received by March 16th. After March 16th registration fee is \$300.00 per child. The PTG family commitment fee is \$200.00 per family, and needs to be received when your registration form is returned. Thank you to all our families who have registered for the upcoming school year.

GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER PLAYOFFS: Good luck to our girl's varsity soccer team. Playoffs are this Saturday, March 10th, game time 8:30 am at Holy Trinity. St. Columba vs. Madeleine (white). Go Cougars!

SPRING SPORTS: Thank you to all our parents & grandparents who will be volunteering their time to coach our spring sports. Our sports program wouldn't be possible without your help. Important reminder: If your child will be participating in sports, and you haven't paid the fees due, please do so promptly. To check game schedules go to www.leaguelineup.com/catholicsportsleague. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

8th GRADE YEARBOOK: Important reminder for the school year book. The following items need to be submitted for the school yearbook.

- One baby photo of your child, two or three growing up, and/or family photos.
- A congratulatory message to your 8th grader not more than 150 words.

You can email these to Mr. Marte at computers@stcolumbaschool.org. or you can send these with your child, saved on his or her flashdrive. These items need to be received by March 23rd. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Marte.

DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH 22-

- After School Spanish Gr. 5-8
3:00-3:30

MARCH 23-

- **All School Mass 8:15/Formal Dress Uniform**
- **Stations of the Cross 2:00**

MARCH 24-

- **Family Movie Night Featuring COCO**

MARCH 25-

- **Palm Sunday**

MARCH 26-

- Morning Assembly 8:00

MARCH 27-

- After School Band 2:55-3:55

MARCH 28-

- Parents in Prayer 8:00-8:30
Library
- Spanish Gr. 1-2 3:00-3:30/Gr. 3-4 3:30-4:00

MARCH 29-

- **Holy Thursday**
- **Mass 11:15 – Stations of the Cross/Formal Dress Uniform**
- **Minimum Day 12:00**

MARCH 30-

- **Good Friday No School**

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Mark your calendar! We welcome you to join us Wednesday, March 14th for our monthly PTG general meeting starting at 6:00 pm. We strongly encourage you to attend his informational meeting. Students with the highest parent attendance will have a free dress day. Hope to see you there!