

ST. ADELAIDE ACADEMY



Developing Catholic Stewards, Scholars and Leaders



May 20, 2021

Dear St. Adelaide families,

We are just a few weeks away from the end of the school year. Can you believe it? It has definitely been a monumental year. Our last days together will be busy with final lessons and essential skills to prepare for the next school year as well as graduation/promotion and end-of-the-year activities. Please refer to the calendar and Remind messages so that you don't miss anything.

As we prepare for the new school year, we ask that you submit your Intent to Return by the end of this month. We are actively enrolling new students and planning for the new year. Class sizes will be limited based on current guidelines.

The new school year will bring some changes. We have two teachers who will be retiring after faithfully serving our school community. Mrs. Suquett, our kindergarten teacher and preschool director, will be retiring after over 24 years. She has been a dedicated teacher and was instrumental in developing our preschool program. She has impacted the lives of many students throughout her time at St. Adelaide Academy. She will be greatly missed by her school family. In addition, Mrs. Kluge, our third-grade teacher, will be retiring. She has been a positive presence at St. Adelaide's for many years as both a parent and a teacher. She will always be remembered for her love of sharing her faith with her students. The St. Adelaide community has been blessed by both Mrs. Suquett and Mrs. Kluge. We wish them all the best as they enjoy their retirement. Please see their messages in this newsletter.

In the 2021-2022 school year, I am happy to announce that Mrs. Gallegos will be teaching our kindergarteners. Ms. Sydney Casillas will be our new Transitional Kindergarten teacher. Ms. Casillas is an alumnus of our school and comes with a variety of experience working with children. Our third-grade teacher for next year will be Mrs. Heather Guereca. She is currently teaching at Our Lady of the Assumption. She has great enthusiasm and experience with impacting and engaging students. Please make these teachers feel welcome in their new journeys.

Blessings,

Mrs. Malouf, Principal

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for those who have recently lost loved ones, those who are battling illness, those who are dealing with financial challenges, those dealing with emotional or mental challenges, and those dealing with stress. We ask for the Lord to provide them with the peace and comfort they need.



ON TIME

Please do your best to get your child to school on time. Curriculum begins at 8am. Students should be in class at that time in order to minimize disruptions. Thank you for your cooperation.



SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

I would like to thank Ms. Anna Duarte and Mrs. Perla Garcia for their dedicated service to the School Advisory Board. Their leadership and willingness to give of their time and talent to better the school is greatly appreciated. Their children will be graduating this year, which leaves some open positions on the Board. We are currently looking to add three School Advisory Board members who are willing to actively participate in carrying out the Mission of the school.

Advisory Board Nominee Qualifications:

- a. *The nominee's family must be registered members of Saint Adelaide Catholic School for at least one year prior to the elections.*
- b. *The nominee's family must have been active and contributing time, talent, and treasure to the Saint Adelaide Catholic School for at least one year prior to the elections.*
- c. *The nominee must be at least 18 years of age.*
- d. *Each nominee must be approved by the Pastor/Pastoral Coordinator of Saint Adelaide Catholic Church.*
- e. *The nominee must have a child who has attended Saint Adelaide Catholic Academy for a minimum of one year prior to elections.*

f. A nominee must be a parent/guardian of a child currently attending Saint Adelaide Catholic School.

g. A nominee's personal philosophy must not differ from the philosophy of Catholic school education.

If you feel you would be a valuable member of the School Advisory Board, you can apply by submitting the following information:

- Name of Candidate
- Student's Name
- A two-paragraph response about why you feel qualified to be on the Advisory Board and what you can contribute as a Board member

Please put this information in a Word document and email to Mrs. Malouf at bgustafson@sbdiocese.org by Friday, May 21, 2021. We will hold an election before the end of the school year.



SEAT BELT LAWS

We want all our students to be safe. Please remember the laws regarding car seats and seat belts. We would hate to have anyone injured.

Current California Law:

- Children under 2 years of age shall ride in a rear-facing car seat unless the child weighs 40 or more pounds OR is 40 or more inches tall. The child shall be secured in a manner that complies with the height and weight limits specified by the manufacturer of the car seat. (California Vehicle Code Section 27360.)
- Children under the age of 8 must be secured in a car seat or booster seat in the back seat.
- Children who are 8 years of age OR have reached 4'9" in height may be secured by a booster seat, but at a minimum must be secured by a safety belt. (California Vehicle Code Section 27363.)
- Passengers who are 16 years of age and over are subject to California's Mandatory Seat Belt law.
- California law does not address graduation time from a five point harness to a booster seat. In the interest of safety, do not rush to move a child into a booster seat before they're ready. Each time you "graduate" your child to the next seat, there's a reduction in the level of protection for your child. Keep your child in each stage for as long as possible.

- A child is ready for a booster seat when they have outgrown the weight or height limit of their forward-facing harnesses, which is typically between 40 and 65 pounds. Read the forward-facing car seat's owner's manual to determine height and weight limits, and keep your child in a harnessed seat for as long as possible.
- Children at this stage are not yet ready for adult safety belts and should use belt-positioning booster seats until they are at least 4'9" and between 8 and 12 years old. Safety belts are designed for 165-pound male adults, so it's no wonder that research shows poorly fitting adult belts can injure children.



RUMMAGE SALE AND GRAND AUCTION

Our Spring fundraiser is this Saturday, May 22nd. Our Rummage Sale will be held from 9-4. We have many treasures to be sold. In the evening, beginning at 5pm, we will have a taco dinner and Auction. We have many items for live and silent auction - Agua Caliente weekend, American girl dolls, 50" TV, massage package, margarita basket, drone, game basket, hover board, Captain Morgan basket, Lottery tree, Chocoholics Survival Kit, Movie Night, Personal Chef Dinner, Doterra Essential Oils, Date Night Basket, and MORE!! Get your tickets in the school office or at the event. (\$10/person, \$5 for children under 10)

We still need volunteers to help with the event. Please sign up by calling the school office or returning the flyer that went out on Remind. All families should be helping to earn their required parent hours. You can also earn hours by donating baked goods. Let's all work together to help support this last event of the school year.



GOLDEN TICKET FUNDRAISER

Thanks to all who supported our Golden Ticket Fundraiser. There was over \$26,000 in donations. Great job!! All prizes were awarded today, and parents will receive 40% of their donations toward their fundraising obligation. Since we had such a wonderful response from this fundraiser, we will do it again in the Fall. Many families may be able to reach their fundraising obligation early in the year.



SUMMER SCHOOL

Our Summer School this year will be better than ever. We know that many students need to strengthen academic skills and need some socialization. We will be conducting testing and setting academic goals to determine individualized academic plans for all students. We will hold two sessions: June 21-July 16 and July 19-August 13. Students can attend one or both sessions. We will have special themes for each week. Please refer to the flyer that went through Remind and is on our website. You can get all the details including rates. We would like all to sign up by June 1st.



YEARBOOK

Time to purchase your yearbook. They are on sale for \$35 in the school office.



MESSAGE FROM MRS. SUQUETT

From me to you...Aloha! Aloha means welcome, but it is also a form of farewell. This is the theme of our Kindergarten graduation this year and how fitting it is as I transition from farewell to Kindergarten and Preschool Director to a teacher who gets to "sub" when you need me! Words can't express the blessing St. Adelaide has been to me and my family. We began in 1992 as my son began 2nd grade...29 years ago. I began teaching as a long-term sub at the end of 1997. All of my own children attended school here and then...well...all the rest of my kids, like 400+ of them!!! You are my family. I am not going far. It is a good time for me to take a new turn in the road. Thank you for all your love and partnership through the years. I have loved being the Kindergarten teacher and helping to build the preschool! With so much love and affection, I thank you for the 24 years! I am not retiring. I am too young! LOL. See you at church and on the playground! Aloha... Mrs. Suquett



MESSAGE FROM MRS. KLUGE

Retiring from St. Adelaide Academy was a difficult decision to make. This is my home in so many ways! My husband, Tom, and I have been parishioners here since the early 70's. Our five children went to school and graduated from St. Adelaide's. When I decided to leave my position in the Redlands School District in 2011, there was no question that I wanted to teach at my "home" school of St. Adelaide. I have enjoyed every year here and have to thank all the "little people" (my students) for sharing their lives with me and

allowing me to love them. Thank you to all the parents who have trusted your precious ones to me and given me the opportunity to fill my life with so much love. I feel truly blessed to have been a part of their lives, even if for a short time! I have made many friends with the staff of this school and Church. I will miss working here full time, but look forward to, once again, being a substitute teacher here at St. Adelaide's. I just can't imagine my life without children! Thank you all!



REPORTING POSITIVE CASES OR CONTACT

In an effort to keep everyone safe, we are asking you to report any instances of positive COVID-19 cases or contact with positive cases if you or your child has been on campus within 5 days of the contact or positive case. We must follow the guidelines for testing, reporting and quarantine when necessary. All who are affected will be contacted if there was potential exposure to you or your child. **All reporting must go directly to Mrs.**

Malouf, bgustafson@sbdiocese.org. Thank you for understanding.

Please stay safe and keep all those affected by this virus in your prayers!



SCRIP

The last day for buying Scrip on Friday mornings before school is May 28th. If you would like to purchase Scrip, please have your child go through the health and temperature screening and then park. You may walk up to the porch to purchase cards. Please maintain proper social distancing.

Scrip is a great way to reach your fundraising goal. We have several gift cards for grocery stores, gas stations, retail stores, home repair stores, restaurants and Amazon. You purchase the gift cards at face value and the school receives a percentage of the sales. Call the school office or contact Virginia at vhernandez@sbdiocese.org to make arrangements to purchase Scrip on days other than Fridays. Order forms with a list of available cards are on our website. All physical cards must be purchased through the office. If you have a special order that we may not keep in stock, let us know. You can also purchase e-cards. Look on our website for details on how to sign up for that part of the program.



SCHOOL CENTS

Please help our school earn up to \$2000 through the School Cents Program at the Inland Center Mall. Many of the stores in the mall are open. You could help our school by logging your receipts. You can log in your receipts online by going to <http://www.shoppingpartnership.com/inland/> Another option is to bring your receipts to the school office and we will log them for you.

All Inland Center receipts dated and submitted between April 16 and May 31 will earn 300 points per dollar spent. Other receipts dated since September 1 will receive 50 points per dollar spent.



E-WASTE EVENT

An E-Waste Recycling event will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23 from 9am-3pm in the Inland Center Mall parking lot by JC Penney. Our school will receive 5000 School Cents points for every TV, laptop, monitor or tablet that is recycled. If you would like to support the school, but cannot make it to the Mall that weekend, you can drop off items at the school office by Friday, May 21st.

