



St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

GUARDIAN NEWS



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Virtue of the Week: **HUMILITY**

Principal's Message



Dear Parents,

We certainly celebrated Catholic Schools Week in style last week. As I watched our students demonstrate the love they have for their school, their teachers, and each other; as I witnessed many parents offer their time and talent in both organizing and supporting school events; I realized, yet again, that St. Gregory the Great Catholic School is a very special and unique place.

As you may have heard, **Gala 2012 now has a chairperson at the helm, Joe Kloberdanz, and it's "all systems GO!"**, as the planning process begins. The Gala will be held at the Coronado Marriott on May 5; hence the theme, "*Fiesta on the Island*". I am so grateful to all of you who attended last week's meeting, and to those of you who could not attend but sent an email offering your support.

The next Gala Planning meeting will be held at the Parish Hall on Monday, February 13 at 6:30 P.M. **We desperately need your help and hope that you can attend.** Committees are forming, and we need YOU! **No experience is necessary; each individual will make a difference.** Please consider your gifts and talents and show up at this meeting ready to burst into action with a great team. The beneficiaries of our efforts are, of course, our children, who are the future of our community.

These are exciting times in the history of our school. Last week we chronicled yet another "First" - Spirit Pep Rally. The amazing Student Council demonstrated some wonderful organization skills and inspired school Guardian Spirit among their fellow students. Teachers competed with students in the Oreo Cookie race and Hop/Skip Relay (students victorious on both counts); each class performed their unique cheer; and the peewee soccer teams were introduced. Special Kudos to Peter Cresci, the Commissioner for School Spirit, who organized and led a very fun event for all.

Special thanks go to Marlea Fischer and Sandrina Lee, Co-Chairs of this year's Book Fair, and to all you supported by donating goodies, purchasing books, and granting teachers' wishes. We are especially grateful to Clifford, the Big Red Dog, for his dedication and stamina in very hot temperatures! Amazingly, \$6,570 worth of books was purchased and a generous percentage of sales will fund some great resources for our new library. A BIG "Thank you" to Lynn Bautista and her team for a fabulous Father/Daughter Dance experience!

Blessings for another wonderful week! *Mrs. O'Connell*

Week-at-a-Glance

Monday, Feb. 6	Report Card II
Tuesday, Feb. 7	Squid Dissection Gr. 5
Wednesday, Feb. 8	Relaxed Dress (Reward for exceeding the Book Fair goal)
	Teachers Hula at Morning Assembly
Thursday, Feb. 9	7:30 A.M. Hot Chocolate Sale (Sponsored by Student Council)
	Guest Speaker- Dr. Jolene Zin- Presentation on Dental Health
	6:30 P.M. Information Meeting for Parents of Prospective incoming Kindergarteners
Friday, Feb. 10	8 A.M. Liturgy (Parish)
	9 A.M. Second Graders First Reconciliation

Coming Soon!

Feb. 13	6:30 P.M. GALA Planning Meeting @ Parish Hall
Feb. 15	6:30 P.M. PTSG Executive Board Meeting @ School
Feb. 16	6 P.M. School Board Meeting
Feb. 17	Bake Sale for the Missions (Sponsored by Gr. 4)

What I Love about

St. Gregory the Great Catholic School...

During the September PTSG meeting, parents were asked to respond to this prompt. Check this space each week to read their comments:

"I love the fun activities!"

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Sports Center

Contact Mr. Swan, our Athletic Director, with any questions or concerns regarding Peewee soccer or your child's physical development. My email is mewan@stggcs.org and website is www.classroomwebites.com/mewan. The password is available in your classroom handbook.

You can access schedules and other information regarding Peewee soccer at the Catholic Sports League of San Diego webpage. You will find a link to this webpage next to the Guardian logo on the Home page of the school website. You can also find a link on the bottom of my webpage listed above. Sign-up now for text-alerts on the Catholic Sports League of San Diego Webpage, providing you instant game day updates, facility issues, and rain outs.

Parish Connect

Living the Eucharist- Lent is coming, Wednesday, February 22nd. Discover a deeper understanding of the Eucharist in your life! Small groups meet in homes once a week for 6 weeks of Lent. The cost is only \$5.00 for the workbook. Contact the parish office if interested.

Mardis Gras- This Friday, February 18th at 6:30 in the Parish Hall, the fun begins. There is still time to buy tickets! \$30 per person. If interested please contact Mike Harris at mharris@san.rr.com.

Ministry Schedules- It is that time again to submit your meeting schedules for the next fiscal year. The scheduling forms can be found on the website, on the events tab and then click on plan a meeting. These forms need to be turned in by March 30, 2012.

Hassles to Harmony Family Workshops - Join fellow St. Gregory families to experience the life enhancing Hassles to Harmony for Busy Families workshops. This is where children and parents learn together how to enjoy increased respect, cooperation with chores and homework and less nagging and whining. Sessions are scheduled for Wednesdays, February 8th, March 7th and April 4th, from 7-8pm in the Parish Hall. Workshops are \$20 per family. Space is limited. For more information contact Jennifer Graf.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults- RCIA meets every Tuesday at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Deacon Ron if you are interested.

Shop with Scrip!



Order your scrip gift cards online each week by 8 A.M. on Tuesday at www.shopwithscrip.com. The school office finalizes your order and gift cards are available for pick-up on Friday afternoon of that week. A percentage of each gift card purchase comes to our school. Gift cards are same as cash. A complete listing of vendors is available www.shopwithscrip.com. Payment at pick-up. Checks payable to STGGCS please. Write "Scrip" on memo. **Scrip gift cards are also available in the school office.**

PTSG News

Wow, what an amazing week of activities celebrating Catholic Schools! We are grateful for the amazing work by our Book Fair committee, led by Marlea Fischer and Sandrina Lee, and Father/Daughter Dance committee, led by Lynn Bautista, for hosting such memorable events. Also, thank you to the numerous volunteers whose support of these events made them such a great success.

Register for eScrip!

Click on the eScrip icon on the Support Your School page on the school website. Follow the prompts and insert the **School ID 136559297**. This one-time registration of your Vons card and credit card(s) ensures that a percentage of your purchases at participating merchants goes directly to our school.



Thank you so much for clipping those box tops. Our next submission of box tops is scheduled in February. Keep clipping those box tops. Each box top is worth 10 cents!
FREE cash for our school!
Way to go, Guardians!
Thank you for your support!

