# **Building Bridges**



~ between school and home ~

## Important

Dates:

Happy New Year!

January 2018

## Notes from the Director

#### 1/8 First Day Back to School

1/9 & 1/10 Tom Marshall photos

#### 1/16

Fall 2017 Pre– registration forms go home

#### 1/19

Fall Pre-registration forms due into the office by 2:00pm

#### 1/23

Pick up registration confirmation cards after 2:00

## 1/24 St. Jude Trike-a-thon

#### 1/29

Registration deposits **DUE** (all outstanding balances due as well)

Happy New Year! I hope that all of our families had a peaceful holiday full of fun family time. I always enjoy the change of pace (later nights and slow mornings.) My family enjoyed having our 2 oldest sons home from college. Being all together makes even the simplest things like playing games and walking the dogs special. After two weeks of vacation schedules I believe many children are ready to get back to their regular routine. It is comfortable and familiar...even for adults!

We have hit the ground running for 2018 with many exciting events coming soon. Make sure to check out the upcoming dates and articles so you don't miss out on the fun! During the month of January we will have Pre-K conferences on an as needed basis only. Please feel free to contact your teacher if you would like to conference with her regarding your child's progress and placement for next year. The teacher may contact you if she feels a conference is needed. Finally, we will begin our Fall 2018 Registration for our currently enrolled families on January 16th. Please read the article very carefully so that you do not miss any of the important deadlines.

Rosie and I both felt so overwhelmed by your outpouring of love and support for us. Thank you so much for your kind words, cards and treats. You are all very special to us and we feel so privileged and blessed to be part of your child's early years. We take such delight in watching them grow and develop! Thank you for allowing us to be a small part of your families.

In Christ,









## **Teacher Birthdays**

1/1	Cindy Lowney	1/28	Lori Brenton
1/17	Michelle Griffin	2/3	Emily Wells

## Meghan Joyce Friends of the Library

## Birthday Book Club

If you have a child with a spring birthday, you may like to participate in a beautiful birthday tradition – contribute ten dollars to the **Meghan Joyce Friends of the Library** fund and a book will be donated to the All Saints School Library in your child's name for other little Saints to enjoy for years to come! *Please see attached flyer for details.* 



Remembering our precious Lil' Saint Meghan and her love of learning

## Upcoming Events

## Trike-a-Thon

The annual St. Jude Trike-a-Thon is a great way to promote health and safety in our children, while raising money for a great cause!

When: Wednesday, January 24, 2018

Where: All Saints School

Questions? Contact Carey Rothschild at carey1025@cfl.rr.com.



December Chapel

## Fall 2018 Registration

Procedure Explained - Please Read Carefully!

#### **TIMELINE**

Tuesday, January 16 Receive Pre-Registration Cards Friday, January 19 All Pre-Registration Cards are due to the school office by 2:10pm Tuesday, January 23 Confirmation Cards ready for pick-up at 2:00pm Monday, January 29 All deposits & outstanding balances are due by 2:00pm Tuesday, January 30

Parish Registration

Thursday, February 1

Public Registration

On Tuesday, January 16th, our currently enrolled families will receive a Pre-Registration Card for each child in the family. All available classes and options for our next school year (August 2018 – May 2019) will be listed. Complete the form by filling in your  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  choices for your child for next year.

**Important:** When making your selections please understand that each year there are teachers who change classroom assignments for a variety of reasons and next fall will be no exception. The class you choose may have a different teaching team next fall than the one in place now. Trust that we will provide a wonderful experience for your child. Teacher placements will not be announced until the end of the summer. In an effort to plan for your needs for the upcoming school year, we reserve the right to make any adjustments necessary in the makeup of our classrooms. If registration numbers exceed or do not meet our requirements we may cancel or change as necessary.

## You will be given from January 16 – January 19 to fill out your Pre-Registration cards and return them to the school office.

The cards must be returned to the office NO LATER THAN 2:10 pm on Friday, JANUARY 19th. At that time the class lists will be compiled and Confirmation Cards will be prepared. These cards will tell you your child's placement and the deposit amount that is necessary to hold your child's spot until next fall.

The Confirmation Cards will be ready at 2:00pm on Tuesday, January 23rd and may be picked up anytime after that. You will have almost a week to come into the office and pay your non-refundable deposit after receiving your card. **AS A REMINDER: ALL OUTSTANDING BALANCES ARE DUE IN FULL BY JANUARY 29th IN ORDER TO REGISTER FOR NEXT YEAR.** Your deposit is due NO LATER THAN 2:00pm on Monday, January 29th and it will secure your child's place in that class for next fall. Beginning the next day (Tuesday), January 30<sup>th</sup> registration will be open to the parish for 2 days and then to the general public on February 1st.

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE RECEIVE YOUR DEPOSIT ON TIME (BY 2:00PM ON JAN 29th)

SO THAT YOU DO NOT LOSE YOUR PLACEMENT.

## **Very Important Note:**

All Pre-Registration Cards must be turned in to the school office directly! All registration materialsforms and monies-must be turned in directly to the office.

DO NOT PLACE YOUR COMPLETED CARD IN YOUR CHILD'S BACKPACK AND ASSUME THAT THE TEACHER WILL FIND IT AND TURN IT IN FOR YOU!

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## **PTO President's Message**

Happy New Year, All Saints Family!

Let us enjoy this special time together as we set our intentions for the coming year. Perhaps we can carry forward the heartwarming spirit of the Advent and Christmas seasons. The Nativity Pageant was a most beautiful and endearing production due much in part to the selfless work of our event cochairs, Catherine Long and Melissa Dancaescu. Our boys enjoyed singing along to the video recording of the Pageant on Christmas Eve as we coped with missing teachers and friends over the break.

January brings about the opportunity for our children to fancy up their new wheels, don their helmets for safety and raise money for charity at Trike-a-Thon. There is nothing more fun for the smallest riders than racing laps around the parking lot. Fellowship Friday resumes this semester with a dive into the next book out from our Fall author, Jen Hatmaker. <u>Of Mess and Mox-</u> <u>ie: Wrangling Delight Out of this Wild and</u> <u>Glorious Life</u> will give us much to chat about as we connect over the intense experience of childrearing. All caregivers are welcome!

Stay tuned for more details about our important upcoming events slated for February. We will kick off the month with a new Literary Week filled with creative ways for our families to connect via a love of reading. Remember to book your sitters for the Big Saints Bash on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>!

Blessings, Marlena Templet 2017-18 PTO President marlenatemplet@me.com



# Bil Graints all saints school & winter park

## What is the BASH you ask??

The Big Saints Bash is All Saints' largest annual fundraiser to benefit our amazing school and its educational programs. This adult only event is a great opportunity for fellowship and to give back and support the growth of our school.

The evening events include festive foods, adult beverages and a fun live and silent auction. Funds raised from this event directly support and enhance the school as well as subsidizes continuing education for the teacher to upgrade the curriculum and supply class room needs.

We appreciate your continued support for our special school and talented teachers.

In years past you personally enhanced our school community with:

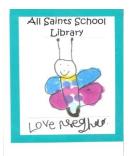
- A new soft floor for the playground
- New Security Gates
- Playground Equipment
- Continuing teacher education and conference fees for accredited teacher training

## Our "Wish List" for this year is:

- Playground Sail/Shade Cover-\$3600 to repair and reinstall (from hurricane damage)
- Light tables for threes, Pre-K and K-\$175 each
- The Lyman Avenue Security Gate-Beth Davis
- Cedar benches-\$230 each (Family naming plaques available)

#### **MEGHAN JOYCE**

#### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



Give the birthday gift that keeps on giving!

Contribute \$10 to the MEGHAN JOYCE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FUND, and a book will be donated in your child's name to the All Saints School Library.

Your child has his/her choice from a selection of various high-quality titles.

If you are interested in participating in the Friends of the Library Birthday Book Club, please fill out the form below and return it to the office in the box marked "Friends of the Library." Once you return the form and a check for \$10, your child will get to choose a book to be kept in the library in his/her name. Your child's name, birthday, and any dedication you wish to include will be placed in the book. The book will be sent home with your child for one week, so he/she can read it at home before it is returned to the library. After that, it can be checked out by the teachers to be used in their classrooms.

NAME:
TEACHER/ROOM:
BIRTHDAY:
то:
FROM:
DEDICATION:
*****Checks for \$10 should be made payable to All Saints School (no cash, please).*****
Paid (Check #)
Label
Book Selected (Title)
Date to be returned to library
**FOR LIBRARY USE ONLY

#### Meghan Joyce Friends of the Library Birthday Book Club Give your little Saint the birthday gift that keeps on giving!

Dear All Saints School Families,

We wanted to inform you of a very important fund set up in honor of a very important, loving, smart and beautifully blessed little girl, Meghan Mary Joyce.

Meghan was a student at All Saints School several years ago and she was called home at the tender young age of seven. Meghan courageously battled cancer and her little body had to endure surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy. Through it all, she and her family remained prayerfully determined & faithful to live each day sharing with others the goodness of God's love, grace and mercy. Her little life ended so early but her legacy continues to live on here at All Saints School. The angel statue on our playground is in honor of Meghan and the beautiful life she so loved living. It is a reminder of all the wonderful memories her family made with their daughter at All Saints School and a symbol of God's love and care for our children as they enjoy the innocence of childhood.

To celebrate Meghan's life and her spirit, All Saints School set up the Meghan Joyce Friends of the Library fund. It is a beautiful birthday tradition – contribute ten dollars to the **Meghan Joyce Friends of the Library** fund and a book will be donated to the All Saints School Library in your child's name for other little Saints to enjoy for years to come! It is through your generosity that our school's library continues to grow. Each day our teachers share stories with our children that bring them joy and foster a love of learning, just as it did for Meghan.

To participate in the Birthday Book Club, please fill out the form that will go home with your child or you can print off the attached document. Copies can also be found year-round in the school office, online and in our monthly newsletter. Please return it with ten dollars to your child's teacher or to the box in the front office marked "Friends of the Library." Your child will get to select a brand new book to be kept in the library in his/her name. They will receive an honorary birthday crown and have their picture taken to proudly display alongside Meghan's photograph. The book will be sent home with your child during their birthday week so it can be enjoyed at home before returning it to the library. If your child has a summer birthday, please feel free to celebrate their half birthday or indicate on the form if you'd prefer April or May. Your child's name, birthday and dedication will be placed inside the book. Once returned, it can be used by our teachers to share in their classrooms.

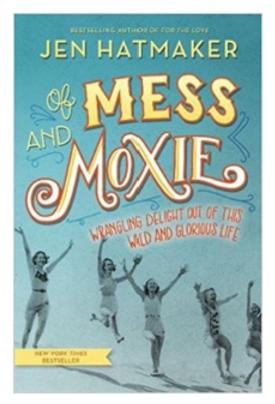
As we celebrate the lives of our treasured little ones, we will continue to graciously remember the life of dear Meghan Joyce. Thank you for supporting our library by giving to the Meghan Joyce Friends of the Library fund. For more information, please contact Monica Bressler at monica-blandon@hotmail or Lori Wells at jwells8@cfl.rr.com

Warmest Regards,

Monica and Lori



## Fellowship Fridays: Of Mess & Moxie



FELLOWSHIP FRIDAYS OVERVIEW:

Fellowship Fridays is a super casual morning gathering at All Saints School. We meet on 5 Fridays throughout the spring — talking, laughing, connecting and building fellowship, faith and friendships along the way.

Join us this Spring as we read and discuss Jen Hatmaker's *Of Mess And Moxie: Wrangling Delight Out Of This Wild and Giorious Life.* 

In this highly anticipated new book, beloved author Jen Hatmaker parlays her own triumphs and tragedies into a sigh of relief for all normal, fierce women everywhere. Whether it's the time she drove to the wrong city for a fourth-grade field trip ("Why are we in San Antonio?") or the way she learned to forgive (God was super clear: Pray for this person every day, which was the meanest thing He ever said to me. I was furious.), she offers a reminder to those of us who sometimes hide in the car eating crackers that we do have the moxie to get back up and get back out. We can choose to live undaunted "in the moment" no matter what the moments hold, and lead vibrant, courageous, grace-filled lives.

When:	9:15 - 10:45 a.m. on these Friday mornings:
	Friday, February 2
	Friday, February 16
	Friday, March 2
	Friday, March 9
	Friday, April 6

Where: All Saints Church - Bride's Parlor in the Winderweedle Center

Cost: Of Mess And Moxie available on Amazon for \$13

- Who: Open to All Saints School parents, grandparents & care-takers. Coordinated by All Saints Parents Julia Stewart and Liz Strong.
- Childcare: Free childcare provided by All Saints Church

## To Sign-up or Ask Questions: Contact Julia Stewart at jmontstewart@gmail.com or 407-310-4694.