



SAINT PAUL^{THE} APOSTLE

CATHOLIC SCHOOL  LOS ANGELES



Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we near the end of another school year, I would like to take this opportunity to express to all of you my deepest appreciation for your continued support, cooperation, and patience as we journeyed through this year together. As parents, you consistently went the “extra mile” to ensure that our faculty, staff and students had a positive, productive and enjoyable school year. One of the exceptional strengths of the St. Paul community is the vast amount of parental participation that we receive. There have been countless occasions when you have stepped up in ways that exceeded my highest expectations. The words “thank you” just don’t seem adequate enough, but please know that you are valued and are invaluable to us in ways that can never be diminished.

A special note of gratitude is extended to the members of our School Board, PWC Board, Finance Council, Festival Board, Dad’s Club, and the Sr. Stella Foundation. It has been a pleasure to work with these various groups and to have them share an unbiased, fresh and intelligent perspective regarding many issues/situations that sometimes challenged us. They have also given respected input (with careful scrutiny) of the plans we have for moving forward as a school community. Whether it was representing SPA with dignity at social functions, facilitating difficult discussions at various meetings, or mingling with the community at our annual Festival, Open House or the pancake breakfast, no task was too large or too small. Caring is at the heart of everything they do, and Fr. Gil and I are very grateful to have worked with them during our first year in leadership at St. Paul’s.

There have been a few heartbreaking losses this year. To the families who are carrying burdens that have been shared with us, and for those that remain silent, remember that you don’t have to be strong every minute of every day. When the hurt becomes more than you can possibly endure, that’s when God steps in. Lean on Him...you are not alone and never will be.

To the families who will not be with us next year, please know that we will be thinking of you, missing your presence, and always holding a prayer in our hearts for you. No matter where life takes you, wherever you go, whatever you do, be happy.

And finally, as the Class of 2019 graduates this morning, I want to thank these students for being SAINTS! We have truly appreciated the many times that they represented St. Paul the Apostle School in a positive Christian manner, not only in extracurricular activities, but also within the parish and local community. Whether they were playing on a sports team, participating in a school activity, volunteering their time to help others, representing our school in a contest, or participating in a service project, our students continuously demonstrated that they were a wonderful blessing to all of us.

Everyone who has had the honor of teaching and working with your children this year is very grateful for that opportunity. We thank you for trusting us to teach the academic lessons, but more importantly, to assist you with the faith and moral formation of your children. Thank you for your prayers and support, for your trust and honesty, and for your care and commitment. The faculty and I look forward to working with you next year as we continue to make SPA one of the best schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles!
Siempre Adelante...always forward!

Peace and blessings,

Crystal A. Pinkofsky
Principal

3	JUN 2019, MON	● All day	8th Grade Graduation
		● 10am – 12pm	8th Grade Graduation in church
6	JUN 2019, THU	● 8 – 9:30am	PWC Board Meeting--JCPC
11	JUN 2019, TUE	● All day	Kinder graduation
		● 10:30am – 12pm	Kindergarten Graduation--Patio Courtyard Patio Courtyard
12	JUN 2019, WED	● All day	Last day of school
		● 8 – 9am	Prayer Service in church
		● 10:15am	Early Dismissal, Last Day of School
13	JUN 2019, THU	● All day	Teacher meetings
14	JUN 2019, FRI	● All day	Teacher meetings



BEWARE! CYBERSCAMMERS TARGETING ADLA SCHOOLS AND PARISHES!

Last Thursday we received the following alert from the Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles:

We have been notified that some parishioners at several parishes have received scam text messages requesting personal

information, money and gift cards. These messages appear to be sent from the parish or a priest at the parish, which is part of the scam. These scams are called phishing – when someone uses fake emails, texts or calls to get you to share valuable personal information, like account numbers, Social Security numbers, or your login IDs and passwords. It is important for our community of faith to know that they would never receive a text message from a parish or priest requesting personal information, money and gift cards.

The attached flyer and bulletin announcement outline how to identify scam text messages and what to do if you receive one.

[CLICK HERE](#)



SPECIAL AUTHOR VISIT! - a SPA DAD!

On Tuesday, June 4, picture book author/illustrator (and SPA parent) **Pete Oswald**, an Annie Award-nominated animation production designer best known for *The Angry Birds Movie* film series and *ParaNorman*, will be visiting St. Paul's to do a reading and book signing for our students. Two picture books, *The Good Egg* and *The Bad Seed*, both illustrated by Pete, are available for purchase and signing. We are eagerly looking forward to Pete's visit with us!

PWC NEWS CORNER!



WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Please join fellow parents on the last day of school for a **Volunteer Appreciation Coffee** in the JCPC. If you have done traffic duty, helped in a classroom, cleaned up after a potluck, chaperoned a field trip, assisted with a class activity/event, or anything else to strengthen our community, YOU are invited! It will be held on Wednesday, June 12, from 9:00 until 10:00 a.m. (after the prayer service and before pick-up). We hope to see you there!

TOGETHER WE ROCK!



Here is everything important you need to know about the Festival this week:

Apostle's Attic: Give It Away, Give It Away, Give It Away Now!

Apostle's Attic will be collecting your new and gently used donations in front of the Parish Office on Selby Ave. every Tuesday immediately after drop-off from 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Please consider donating: Home Decor, Furniture, DIY/Handmade Items, Art,

Books, Denim & Tees, Accessories & Handbags, Garden & Outdoor Decor, Toys, and Athletic Gear.

Apostle's Attic Donation Schedule: May 28, June 4, and June 11. For more information, or to arrange alternate drop off/pick up dates, please contact:

Leslie Hunt Johnson 310-991-3305
Wanda Albano Ahmadi 310-948-6621
e-mail apostlesatticspa@gmail.com

School-wide Festival Patronage Contest: Our Festival Patronage goal is 100% family participation. Through May 31, we are tracking donations and awarding an amazing prize to the grade with the most families participating - **a party with Coach Keith!**

Please [donate to Patronage](#) in whatever amount you can. Annual income collected from tuition does not fully cover the operational expenses for the school year; therefore, the school relies entirely on the profits of the Festival to fill that gap.

The Festival proceeds touch virtually every aspect of our school community, helping to support improvements to infrastructure, curriculum, safety, student recreation, operational expenses, parent tools, faculty and staff appreciation activities, and all community building programs throughout the year. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

A single family donation will count as participation for all grades your children attend. No donation is too big or too small, so please [donate](#) today!

For more information, check out our NEW Patronage video: [Together We Rock Video](#)

Festival Wear Alert: New Items! You asked for it: the neon pink tee now comes in **Women's** sizes; we have the French Terry zip sweatshirt in NEW heather **black**; and coming soon are a crew neck sweatshirt and brand new collection of SPIRITWEAR. Place your orders online now and throughout the summer. Delivery will be in September.

Auction Donations: Calling all SPA families! While the auction isn't until Festival Week, we would love for our community to start thinking about donations now. There are several ways to get involved and contribute:

1. **Silent Auction** - We love everything from theater tickets to restaurant gift cards. Autographed sports memorabilia, designer bags or fun experiences for kids and parents alike...it's all appreciated.
2. **Live Auction** - Do you have any special events or experiences you can donate to the school for the Live Auction? Special vacations, premium sporting events and more are always a big hit

Saturday night.

3. **Party Book** - The SPA community is notorious for it's fun and fantastic community-building parties. Everyone is looking forward to what we can put together this year. Please reach out if you have any ideas for a party. Let's keep this strong tradition going!

4. **Class Basket & Raffle** - This new endeavor was a big hit last year and we're excited to see the imaginative and fun collections we can put together this year. If you want to help organize your class basket please reach out to [Jennifer Stromborg](#).

Contact us with your questions and ideas at spaauction2019@gmail.com.

I Just Want to Fly: If you missed the news... get ready to rock the night away during Festival 2019 with the awesome American rock band, **SUGAR RAY!**

Look for all the ways you can rock with the SPA Festival by visiting our Festival 101 page. Be sure to follow us now on Social Media for more exciting news! [#spatogetherwerock](#)



SPA SCHOOL WEBSITE NEWS!

After months and months of endless meetings, planning, hard work and dedication, we are pleased to announce that our new St. Paul the Apostle School website is now available to everyone! Please visit <https://school.sp-apostle.org> and browse around the site noting all that St. Paul's has to offer, who we are as a Catholic school community, and what we have to offer our families. We have added quite a bit of pertinent information regarding our enrollment process, our faith community, the academic programs, and the numerous extracurricular activities. Keep an eye on our Calendar of Events and the most important news on the front page of the website. You can also access our social media pages at the bottom of the site whenever you like! If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions regarding the school website please don't hesitate to email Daniel Chung at dchung@sp-apostle.org. Thanks, and enjoy!



SPA'S SOCIAL MEDIA

Please join St. Paul's this year as we ramp up our social media game on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube! We will be posting regular updates along with the parish to share the news about everything that's happening around campus and in the community. Check it out and share your "likes" to show your support! You can subscribe below by clicking on the links!

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