Immaculate Conception Catholic School



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April 22, 2015 Thought for the Week Forget injuries, never forget kindnesses." Confucius

Mission Statement

As educators of Immaculate Conception Catholic School, we believe that the purpose of a Catholic education is to provide a foundation in the Scriptures, Traditions and ongoing teachings of the Catholic Church. We develop faith based, spiritual, life-long learners who exemplify the pursuit of excellence in all opportunities found in our global community.

Immaculate Conception Catholic School Schoolwide Learning Expectations-Elementary School

What students should know, understand and be by graduation:

- A Faith Filled Active Catholic who:
 - a Talks to God
 - b. Learns about the life of Jesus
 - c. Helps by doing good deeds
 - d. Makes good choices and is nice to everyone
- An Academically prepared Person who:
 - a. Puts forth good effort in everything
 - b. Works well alone and with others
 - c. Thinks before making choices
 - d. Uses computers for making learning fun
- An Effective Communicator who:

 - a. Can speak well in front of othersb. Uses complete sentences and good grammar when speaking and writing
 - c. Uses computers and the internet for learning
- A Critical Thinkers who
 - a. Understands information learned
 - Thinks before doing something
 - Practices what is learned
- A Responsible Citizen of Global Awareness who:
 - a. Follows and respects rules
 - b. Gets to know one another

 - c. Cares for God's creationd. Helps others in the community
 - e. Treats everyone fairly-Do unto others as you would have them do unto you

Principal's Message

Dear Parents.

Fourteen months ago I took over the principal's position here at Immaculate Conception Catholic School. I expected to stay until the end of the school year. I felt there was great potential at Immaculate Conception and if I were to stay on another year more progress and stability would help build a strong future. I think we have made great strides during these fourteen months. Our PTO has held a variety of successful fundraising and community events. We completed our WCEA, WASC accreditation. We welcomed a new Pastor, Father Randy, who is a strong advocate for the school.

With these things in mind, a few months ago I informed Father Randy that I would be departing the school in June. I feel it is time to turn over the principal's job to someone who will give us many more years of stability, growth and continue to bring Immaculate Conception back to full enrollment and the great reputation it deserves.

Father Randy and I have been working several months on finding my replacement. We are happy to announce our new principal, Mr. Raphael Domingo. Mr. Domingo has a strong background in Catholic education. He graduated from UC Berkley after spending several years in the seminary. He taught religion at Bishop Amat for eight years then became principal of Blessed Sacrament in Hollywood, his decision to look for a new job stemmed from him living in Eastvalle near Chino and the four hour, round-trip, commute that was at best difficult.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our teachers for their professional work ethic, dedication to their students and accepting a reduced salary in these difficult times. I also thank the parents for their unending support of not only my efforts but also their own children and all students here at Immaculate Conception.

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Mini Calendar

Tuesday, April 21 Wednesday, April 22

Mass at 8 am Church Uniform

Thursday, April 23 Friday, April 24

CEF Applications Due 12-noon dismissal

Monday, April 27 Tuesday, April 28

Wednesday, April 29 Mass at 8 am Church Uniform

Thursday, April 30 Grade 4 Trip to Sacramento Friday, May 1 **Progress Reports**

12-noon dismissal

Monday, May 4 Tuesday, May 5 Wednesday, May 6 Thursday, May 7

PTO Board Meeting 7 pm

Monthly Awards Assembly at 8 am

Registration

Registration information for the 2015-2016 school year will be distributed and discussed at the PTO Meeting this Thursday evening.

As the end of the school year is approaching it is a time to begin planning for 2015-2016. Registration will begin this week. All outstanding financial and service hour obligations must be met in order to register students for next year.

Applications for tuition assistance from the Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) are now available. All families who had negotiated tuition this year are required to complete a CEF application for next year. Parents may download an application from the school website under the Admissions tab, financial aid, drop-down. Paper applications are also available in the school office. Applications are due by April 24th. If you know of a prospective family who needs tuition assistance, please encourage them to apply.

Remember all families who cannot pay full tuition are required to complete a CEF application.

In order to assist in planning for next year we need to know how many students are planning to return for the next school year. Please complete the Intent to Return Form that was sent home in the March 4th newsletter. Please contact the office if you need a form.

A special thank you to Mrs. Ana Gutierrez, our wonderful secretary for her support and for managing the school office with an abundance of grace and patience! I thank our pastor, Father Randy, for his ongoing support.

Lastly I want to thank to all the wonderful students of Immaculate Conception Catholic School who have made my job so enjoyable with their never-ending love of God and truly living their lives, as Jesus would wish them to. You all will be greatly missed! Thank you again for allowing me be a part of this wonderful community!





First Communion will take place on Saturday, May 2nd at 10:00 am in the church. We ask you to keep these

children in your prayers as complete their final preparation of the Sacrament.

Our last mandatory PTO General Meeting will be held tomorrow evening, April 23 at 7 pm in the hall. All parents are required to attend this meeting. Agenda items include: elections for the 2-15-201 school year, tuition rates, fundraising and service hours.



Mother Son Tea-May 9th.

The Mother Son Tea will be held on Saturday, May 9th in the hall.

Tickets are on sale-the cost is \$40.00 per couple and includes, finger sandwiches, tea, desserts, music and a magician! All moms are encouraged to wear a hat!



Summer School 2015

We are considering offering a summer school program this year. If you are interested in having your child attend this program please return the interest form. Please contact the office if you need another form.

A Catholic Education is an Advantage for Life.