

# What's Up? / ¿Qué Pasa?

SUMMER EDITION

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## **PRAYERS, Please!**

\***Vanessa Lupian** in 5Sh continues to be in need of our prayers as she awaits yet a second liver transplant. Her family appreciates our prayer and expressions of love!

\***Mary Rogan**, teacher of 3Kite, continues as a hospital patient at Alta Bates. She is responding to therapy following strokes. Her room is decorated with homemade cards, which are also part of her therapy.

\***Jenny Hartz**, teacher in KAG, and her fiancé, Ed, will celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at the end of this month! We wish them a long life of many blessings!

\***Katie Scarry**, Special Needs teacher, and her husband, Tom, on the birth of their first child due in July. May all three be blessed with health and happiness!

\***Penny Paunovich**, parent, as she continues her chemo treatment.

\***For the families** who will not be returning to St. Elizabeth. May their journeys take them to places that are good for them and their children.

\***That all our children and their families are safe during the summer!**

**SUMMER "home school" STUDY PACKET:** Each family has received a BIG packet for home study during the summer! We thank the teachers, Mrs. Guevara, Zahara Jones, graduate volunteers Juan Pamplona, Juan Salcedo, Cassandra Rodriguez, and some 7<sup>th</sup> graders who have worked long and hard to bring this packet to completion! Mrs. Elisabeth Schlessinger of Title I did the securing and organizing of the information! All so that you and your family may have a "free" summer learning experience in and out of your home!

**DAILY STUDY:** The packet is organized to provide resources in and outside the school for daily work of at least 1 and 1.2 hours a day, depending on the age of the learner. List of "sight" words to be recognized by all children, recommended reading lists, worksheets, and online resources are all included in the study packet! Please, carefully note the JOURNAL recommendations. The second week of school there will be a celebration honoring all the students who kept their JOURNAL during the summer and bring it to school! Please, note the many mornings that teachers will be at school for you and your children. During that time they have offered to be available for AR testing and story telling! Add "making a visit to school" to your summer outings!

**FAMILY COMMUNITY EVENTS THIS SUMMER:** In addition to the "summer study events" I call your attention to the community building events - free movie night in the gym on July 9<sup>th</sup> and a family BBQ in the St. Elizabeth High School Park on August 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Reservations requested. \$5.00 a person.

**CONTINUING TRANSITION:** Mr. Nathan Jacobson, Physical Education Instructor, will not be returning to St. Elizabeth next year. We wish him well at the sites where he will be teaching. We welcome, Darren Deonigi, who will be our Physical Education instructor next year. He also teaches at Assumption School in San Leandro.

**GRATITUDE:** I don't know where to begin...so many of you have been so responsible to parenting children in the values of Catholic life in parish, community, and learning! We are concluding a very positive school year. All of you: clergy, students, parents, staff, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Program collaborators make St. Elizabeth Elementary School a safe, holy, fun place for adults and children! And, thank you for being our partners in together working through the challenges and problems that occur in schooling in today's world. Your children have learned a lot this year, and we have been privileged to be a part of that experience with your family! God bless you all! I look forward to seeing you during the summer!

**CALENDAR:** Please, keep this posted on the refrigerator all summer!!

**6/11 Fri. \*8:30 a.m. Awards Assembly.** Parking available in schoolyard and St. Elizabeth High School yard.

\*Raffle drawing for A's Tickets and VIP parking for 9/27/10

\*Report Cards Distributed

\***10:30 a.m. Dismissal.** End of Year! BLESSINGS ONE AND ALL! \*21<sup>st</sup> Century trip to the Oakland Zoo

**6/12 Sat. All welcome to a Neighborhood Party** at SOL, the community garden at the home of Angela Hadwin, from 12 noon - 4:00 p.m. at 1236 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave.

**6/14 Mon. \*Office Hours weekdays during the summer:** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

\*Kinder Kamp Opens: 9:00 - 12 noon; limited financial assistance is available.

\*Ice Cream Social in the Garden of Learning for families of students who have been on the HONOR ROLL all year! Come at 6:00 p.m. to enjoy the company of our HONOR STUDENTS and their families! *If you came last year, wear your star pin!*

**6/15 & 6/16 Diocesan Meeting** on "Curriculum Mapping" in St. Elizabeth Gym. Tuesday: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon

**6/16 Wed. \*Tech Team Training:** students selected through application process meet at school from 9:00 until 12 noon. \*Enrollment Committee meets at 7:00 p.m.

**6/17 Thurs. \*Principals of Dominican Schools Music Project meet at St. Elizabeth.**

\*Fundraising Committee meet at 7:00 p.m.

**6/20 Sun. HAPPY FATHERS' DAY** to all Dads, Stepdads, Grandfathers, and Godfathers!

**6/22 Tues. \*4:45 p.m. Finance Committee**

\*7:00 p.m. School Board

**7/01 Thurs. Family Packets** ready to be picked up by those whose financial accounts are up to date.

**7/02 Fri. Conclusion of Kinder Kamp** at 12 noon!

**7/09 Fri. \*\*Family Movie Night** in gym from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Free. Snacks to be sold.

\*Do you have your reservation in for the BBQ? Tickets sold or held at the office. \$5.00 a person.

**7/16 Fri. Family Packets** to be mailed to those who have not picked them up and whose accounts are up to date.

**7/17 Sat. Annual Health Fair:** 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at 2815 International Blvd. "World Cup of Health!"

**8/02 Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Staff In-Service** through 8/04.

**8/03 Tues. 4:45 p.m. Finance Committee**

**8/06 Fri. Welcome and Orientation** for New Parents to St. Elizabeth: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

**8/12 Thurs. Teachers' return to school** to prepare for the new year!

**8/14 Sat. BBQ for all families** (\$5.00 per person) in St Elizabeth High School Park from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. *Carne Asada/beans/soccer/music and more...* Reservations Requested: telephone office at 532-7392 or Email: principal@saintelizabeth.us. Open to all preschool, elementary, school/parish and neighborhood families!

**8/17 Tues. School Board**

**8/22 Sun. \*Opening Family Mass** at 10:00 a.m. All Families and the students in uniform are expected to attend. Open House in all the classrooms following Mass.

\*Acceptances into 21<sup>st</sup> Century Program, Before and After school provided to families who have applied and brought application in by July 30, 2010.

**8/23 Mon. \*Opening day for Grades 1-8**

\*Meeting for K Parents; 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

\*Meeting for all Parents of students in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century program. Meet in the cafeteria from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

**8/24 Tues. \*Preschool and K-8 have class**

\*All classes dismissed at 12 noon

\*21<sup>st</sup> Century begins today

SPECIAL THANKS TO EACH OF YOU WHO READ THE QUE PASA, FAITHFULLY, KEEP INFORMED, AND RESPONSIBLY PARTICIPATE IN THE WONDERFUL LIFE OF ST. ELIZABETH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - a caring community!