



Nazareth School

February 14, 2020

Dear Parents,

February is proving to be a very busy month for our community. Today, our classes celebrated Valentine's Day with a variety of treats and activities. Our 7th and 8th grade students enjoyed an afternoon dance, and the entire community was moved by the DJ's rhythms! Tomorrow night, our first Father-Daughter Dance will also provide special musical energy for dads and their girls to enjoy. This is sure to become an annual event!

The much anticipated performance of *Seussical, Jr.* will delight Nazareth audiences next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 20-22. Our Nazareth Thespians have captured the joy and energy of this special musical. Wednesday, the cast ran a dress rehearsal that provided a glimpse into the fun of Dr. Seuss' classic characters as they presented themselves in song and dance! Tickets are selling quickly; be sure to contact the office to purchase yours.

New to this year's after school programs is the cooking class. This has been a fun culinary adventure for students and many have shared their new-found skills and recipes with their families. In today's envelope, you will find information about the next series of classes which will feature Latin cuisine.

With registration for the 2020-2021 school year just a week and a half away, this is the time of year when our school leadership finds itself living two different school experiences – the current year of growth and activity and the future year as it starts to unfold through thoughtful planning. Because of the careful stewardship of our resources and the generous gifts of our families and friends, the school has been able to maintain a tuition rate for next year that is below the average rate this year among the diocesan Catholic Schools. For your planning purposes, please note that the Diocese of San Diego has recommended that the first day of school for 2020-21 will be August 19, 2020. If you wish to apply for Tuition Assistance for 2020-21, please complete the application found at TADS.com. The deadline to apply for assistance for both the Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program and the Sisters of Nazareth grants is February 28, 2020.

At last night's PTG Board meeting, we discussed concerns regarding traffic in the parking lot. Our main lot is a busy one, but it is safe and manageable if all drivers respect and follow rules of safety. Please do not park and leave your vehicles in the travel lanes; this obscures other drivers' ability to see pedestrians, particularly small children. Again, we ask that you use the crosswalks, and when you are walking between the school buildings, use the path between the Staff Room and the basketball courts. Finally, it's vital that everyone practices our Core Value of Patience; the safety of our children depends on it!

Blessings to you and your families,

Dr. Colleen Mauricio
Principal