



STAR NEWS

FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE DE LA SALLE SCHOOL

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*"Earnestly ask Jesus that his Spirit
may be alive in you."*

- St. John Baptist De La Salle

Congratulations Graduates!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

While we prepare to bid farewell to our eighth graders, Mr. Vera and I are scheduling home visits as our process of welcoming in our newest students continues. I am proud of our ten graduates and looking forward to working with the eighteen newest members of The De La Salle School family.

Of course, because of our Graduate Support Program, we will maintain contact with our newest alumni. Once our Class of 2017 receives their diplomas on 9 June we will have 158 men who will have graduated from The De La Salle School.

Thanks to the parents of the seventh graders who assumed responsibility for the reception that will follow our graduation ceremony on Friday, 9 June. Everyone is invited to that ceremony at 7:00 PM and to the graduation Mass on Thursday, 8 June at 12:10 PM. Both parts of the graduation celebration occur in Our Holy Redeemer Church.

Sincere thanks to you for the kindness and support you have given to me in my first year as the Executive Director. I thank God every day for my time at The De La Salle School and for the opportunity that I have had to work with you and your sons.

I wish all a safe and enjoyable summer, and to the parents of the Class of 2017 I say a special thank you for entrusting your son to us. Be assured of my prayers and best wishes. May God continue to bless each one of you!

William Gault
Executive Director

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Where did the year go? It is hard to believe that it is June and that the end of the year is nine days away.

There are many important events occurring in school, chief among them are final exams and graduation. Your son has been given a final exam schedule and hopefully you are seeing him studying diligently.

Graduation is on the evening of 9 June 2017 at 7:00 PM at Our Most Holy Redeemer Church. This is a long awaited event for our eighth graders and their parents and teachers! It is mandatory that our seventh grade students attend this ceremony as they act as the honor guard for the graduates. We would like to thank in advance the seventh grade parents who are hosting the reception for the eighth grade students and their families. This is a long-standing tradition at The De La Salle School. All of our families are welcomed at this important step forward in the lives of our young men.

The eighth graders have received their summer reading list from their high schools of choice and many of them have already begun reading.

We are grateful to those families who participated in the many events that we held during the school year. The staff works very hard to make these enjoyable evenings for your family. One of the final events of the year is Field Day being held on 15 June 2017. If you have not returned your participation form yet please do so in order that we may purchase what we will be lacking. All families are welcomed at this annual event.

The last day of school is 16 June 2017. The annual Awards Ceremony will take place at 9:00 AM in the school gym. We hope that you will be able to attend as we recognize the achievements of our students for this school year.

During the last week of school your son will receive his summer reading assignment. This is due on the first day of school, which will be 28 August 2017.

Pick up a book and share it with your family ... remember that Reading is FUNDamental.

God bless you all,

Kathleen Boniello
Principal

God bless the Fathers and Grandfathers of all our students on Father's Day, Sunday, 18 June, and always!



IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday, 1 June was the last day for the Extended Day Program this year.

Dismissal times for the final days of the year:

Thursday, 8 June – (Graduation Mass)–1:30 PM

Friday, 9 June - 11:30 AM

Monday, 12 June - 11:30 AM

Tuesday, 13 June – 11:30 AM

Wednesday, 14 June - 11:30 PM

Thursday, 15 June – (Field Day) 3:30 PM

Friday, 17 June (Awards Ceremony)–10:30 AM

(School bus companies have been notified.)



Our annual Field Day at Cow Meadow Park is **Thursday, 15 June**. Members of the Class of 2017 are welcome to participate but it is not an official school day for them. They can still take advantage of the free bus transportation from your school district. Thanks to those parents who are contributing time, food, or paper goods to help us enjoy the day.



Our twelfth graduation ceremony when awards will be given out and diplomas presented is at 7 PM **Friday, 9 June** in Our Holy Redeemer Church. Seventh graders are expected to attend in their school uniforms and younger students are encouraged to be present as well. The Mass of Thanksgiving will occur at 12:10 PM the previous day, a regular school day, **Thursday, 8 June**. Dismissal for all students will be at 1:30 PM that day.

CONGRATULATIONS GENTLEMEN

The following students were honored as Gentlemen of the Week during the month of May: Joel Bonilla '20, Jonathan Knight '20, Brandon Centeno '19 and Jorge Cañas '19.

Welcome!

We are happy to have Mr. Kevin Gomez, Mr. Tim Robles and Mr. Tony Do with us for the remaining weeks of this school year. These young men are considering joining the Brothers and will use this opportunity to help your sons at The De La Salle School and to live in the Brothers' community in Freeport. Please say a prayer for them as they seek to learn how God wants them to serve Him.

Family Fun Night was a great evening, thanks to all who participated



IMPORTANT REMINDER

No student at The De La Salle School will receive a diploma or be promoted to the next grade unless he passes every class for the year. This means he must earn an average of 70 or higher in each subject.

If your son is not graduating or is not being promoted Mrs. Boniello will notify you of what work he must make up and when he must have it completed in order to proceed to the next grade.

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The next issue of STAR NEWS will be mailed to you the week of 17 July.



Enjoy a safe and relaxing summer!

