

# COUNSELOR'S CORNER

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



# WHAT'S HAPPENING?

CLASSROOM GUIDANCE:

JANUARY: HONESTY & TRUSTWORTHINESS

FEBRUARY: ACCEPTANCE

MARCH: RESPONSIBILITY

APRIL: KINDNESS & FAIRNESS

### **HAPPY EASTER!**

## BY CRYSTAL WHITLEY, SCHOOL COUNSELOR

I hope everyone is ready for spring! I know I am! These past few months have flown by and I have really enjoyed getting to know your wonderful kids at All Saints. This January, classroom lessons focused on Honesty and Trustworthiness. We read Aesop's Fables--The Bay Who Cried Wolf. Upper grade lessons looked at different scenarios involving temptation, honesty, and decision making. We also discussed Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and how he exemplified these character traits.

In February, we discussed *Acceptance* and lessons addressed diversity of beliefs and values. This proved to be a very interesting topic of discussion and I was so impressed with All Saints students' ability to discuss important topics and express their differing views in a respectful and Christ-like manner. In the lower grades, we read Is There Really a Human Race? by Jamie Lee Curtis.











### MARCH

Responsibility and decision making were the topics of discussion this March. We played responsibility bingo and students shared examples of how they show responsibility at home, school, with friends, to themselves, and in the world. In lower grades, we read Skippyjon Jones "In Mummy Trouble" by Judy Schachner and "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak. The children enjoyed learning some new words in Spanish and we talked about using imagination in play, as well as similarities and differences between Max and Skippyjon's adventures.

#### APRIL

In April, we will be talking about kindness and fairness as we celebrate Easter and the resurrection.

Lunch Bunch groups have been ongoing and have addressed such topics as: Self-esteem, social skills, friendship, manners, empathy, and showing & managing emotions. Individual counseling continues on an as needed basis.

Romans 6:8-11 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. 10 The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. 11 In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.