

# GREEK SCHOOL NEWS ΤΑ ΝΕΑ ΤΟΥ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟΥ ΜΑΣ

**Agiasmos...** Another year of Greek learning has begun. In September we had our traditional Αγιασμός (blessing) by Father Peter. The blessing of the Greek School for the new school year is a wonderful way to start!



**School Board and Staff...** This year we have a new School Board: Olga Romano (President), Efimia Metsi-Guckel, Nikolas Maris, Dena Betzelos, Peter Bakas and Peter Georganas. We are also happy to announce that a new teacher has been added to our Saturday school staff: Ms Aggeliki Pouliezos has accepted the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teaching position. Our Open Houses took place on Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> and Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was an opportunity for parents to speak with the teachers and the Principal about the curriculum and the programs the Greek School is sponsoring this year. Registration is still open for those who would like to enroll.

**OPA-thon...** In October the school held its second annual OPA-thon, a fundraiser to promote Greek culture through dancing to modern and traditional songs. The kids collected pledges to dance for one hour.



**Thank you** to all the kids for their hard work in getting sponsors and to their parents for their support. We hope everyone had a good time dancing and celebrating how much fun it is to be Greek. Special thanks to all the parents who provided the snacks and the drinks for the event. **OPA!!!**

**Greek Movie Matinee...** On Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, at 12pm after the Liturgy, we are sponsoring a Greek Movie Matinee featuring “**Benji: For the Love of Benji**». The movie takes the world's most huggable hero all the way to Greece and this wonderful Greek vacation is full of adventure. This is a great family movie that children and adults will enjoy. Pizza and popcorn will be served. Baby sitting will be available with advance notice. Don't miss it!!!

**Christmas Craft Fair...** On November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> we are sponsoring a Christmas Craft Fair and Raffle during the Church's Fall Food Festival. If you would like to be a vendor or donate a prize for the raffle, please contact Olga Manos at (630) 978-7922.

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