



## *Our School, Our Children, Our Future*

### APRIL 2018 SPA FOUNDATION FORUM NEWSLETTER

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#### Mission Statement



The mission of the St. Paul the Apostle School Foundation is to provide leadership and funding for projects, programs, equipment, materials and services which will have a direct impact on the development of the whole child and that are outside of the annual school budget. The Foundation will raise money from the school community and friends with the intent to spend these funds on current projects.

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## Donor Participation At An All-Time High

The Foundation Board would like to thank all of the families that have donated thus far. We currently have donations from 169 families (49%). This is the highest percentage of families that has ever donated to the Foundation. Let's keep this wonderful record going!!!!

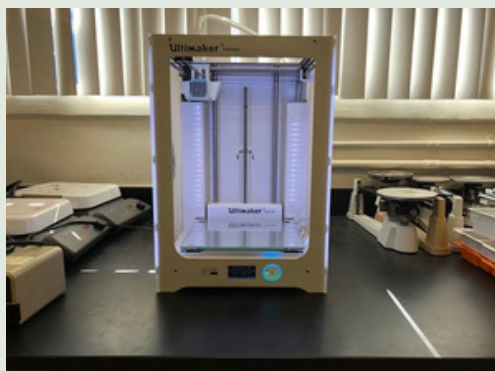


Please feel free to ask any of the Board members about all of the fantastic ideas and plans under consideration.

[Click here](#) to DONATE NOW

## Your Dollars At Work: Check Out Our New 3D Printer

With the generous support of an anonymous donor, the Foundation helped facilitate the introduction of a 3D printing program to enhance the STEAM curriculum at SPA. Students will use the technology of a 3D printer along with engineering practices that incorporate math and art to design and print. We are so thrilled to have this enhancement to the science lab at SPA!



**Jordan Wiggins**  
**Sister Stella Maria Enright,**  
**DMJ, In Memoriam**

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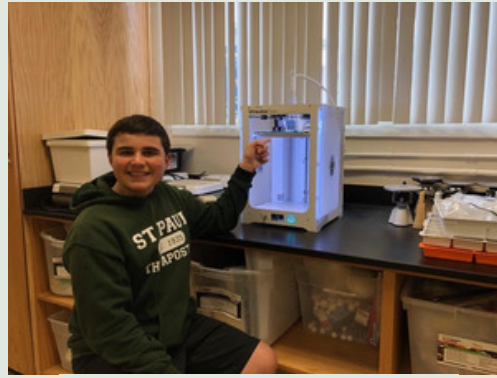
## Donor Spotlight: The Loughran Family



From left to right  
Finn Loughran (6th grade), Maeve Loughran  
(8th grade), Merritt Loughran, John  
Loughran

This month, the SPA Foundation would like to spotlight the Loughran family and thank them for their generous donations to the SPA Foundation. The Loughran family shared their thoughts on why they donate to the SPA Foundation:

"The SPA Foundation mission is something that my husband John and I truly believe in and have supported since our children Maeve and Finn have attended our beloved St. Paul the Apostle School. All funds raised through the parent-run Foundation are directly allocated to enrichment programs in the same calendar school year. Technology (upgraded iPads), yoga classes, and a sound system for the JCPC are just a few of the many programs/projects that the Foundation has supported over the last 9 years that the Loughran family has been a part of this amazing community. SPA is a treasure of a school that our kids have all thrived in. We encourage you to donate to help our children have access to the best tools and programs that the Foundation can help support at SPA.



Arturo Martinez (6th grade) testing the new printer

## Field Trips

The 7th graders had a great time on their Catalina overnight field trip in November, while the 4th graders enjoyed riding the Metro and visiting the SM Aquarium. In February, the 5th graders took their first overnight field trip to the amazing AstroCamp. The 3rd graders visited a Chumash Village and the 1st graders enjoyed the Aquarium of the Pacific this month!

The Foundation enjoys helping to make these fun and educational field trips possible for the children. More adventure awaits in the coming months!



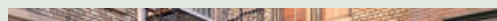
## Internet Safety Workshops Currently In Progress

The Foundation is currently helping to put on workshops for the 3rd, 5th, and 7th grade students and their parents. As technology is constantly evolving, we must stay abreast of all the dangers that potentially threaten us and our children. We hope you will attend these informative meetings!



## Broadcast Team

On February 16th, SPA's Broadcast Team had a field trip to CBS Studios in Studio City. With the help of Randa Soudah, the Broadcast team got a closeup look at how professional broadcasting and entertainment is done at CBS. They had an amazing time seeing the ins and outs of the studio—what a fantastic experience!



Our beloved Sr. Stella started the Foundation to ensure that her students would be supported at every level in the classroom. The Loughran family donates in honor of Sr. Stella and the amazing community of students and families she has nurtured and continues to look down upon year after year."

Our sincere thanks to the many wonderful families, like the Loughran family, who have donated to the SPA Foundation. If your family is interested in donating to the SPA Foundation, online donations can be made [here](#).

## Thank You

The Foundation is funded through voluntary donations. Your generosity allows us to enhance the lives of all the students of St. Paul the Apostle School. Thank you for your support.



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## Grades 1-3 Attend Live Musical Theatre Shows

The SPA Foundation is excited to sponsor three new field trips for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders to attend live performances at the Morgan-Wixson Theatre in Santa Monica. The community theatre runs a youth entertainment series (Y.E.S.) designed to introduce kids to performing arts. All shows are based on children's literature and followed by a "talk-back" with the cast and crew!

2nd grade saw *The Velveteen Rabbit* earlier this year, 1st grade will attend *Curious George and the Golden Meatball* this month, and 3rd grade will see *The Little Mermaid Jr.* in May.



## Latin America Presentatation

"I loved learning about the culture and customs of Brazil." -Kate Martin, Grade 6

On March 8th, the students attended a wonderful performance presented by the Music Center of Los Angeles: *Ballet Folclorico do Brasil*. We thank you for your donations, which help bring special cultural enrichment programs like this one to our school. Even Coach Keith got in on the action!



## Cyber Bullying Presentation

Stay tuned for more information about an upcoming event presented by Common Sense Media. Parents, you will NOT want to miss this panel discussion on May 3rd. Such an important topic that affects ALL of us!

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